1. The International Executive MBA program for managers in the University’s Faculty of Management was recently rated as one of the ten best programs in Euro-Asian and Middle East countries by the ED Universal agency. The agency specializes in an annual monitoring of 4000 MBA programs in institutions of higher learning in 154 countries around the world. The program won first prize at India’s Institute of Management Technology for its international collaboration, after being named “the best faculty in academic faculty exchanges out of 85 universities that took part in academic faculty exchange programs.” The prize was given to Dr. Graham Jackson, the Head of the program, who represented the University in a ceremony that took place in the city of Ghaziabad in India. “Our executives program has a clear international flavor on all fronts – content of study, and the students and academic faculty,” summarized Prof. Yitzhak Samuel, Dean of the Faculty of Management.

2. The Ambassador of Cameroon to Israel, His Excellency Henri Etoundi Essomba, recently visited the International MA Program in Child Development headed by Prof. Abraham (Avi) Sagi-Schwartz, with the support of Eitan Stiva, and was quite impressed by the great contribution and importance of the program to coping with at risk children from around the world. Ambassador Essomba came to visit the program after one of the students there, a resident of Cameroon who is both a clinical psychologist and a priest, told him about the importance of the program to improving the lives of at risk children in Cameroon.
Last semester, students from the Weis-Livnat International MA Program in Holocaust Studies participated in a unique curatorship course in Atlit’s Hama’apilim (illegal immigrants from during the British Mandate period) Camp. The students, who came from all over the world, learned to translate their historic knowledge of Holocaust and Ha’apala events into ideas for exhibitions and study programs which they presented a couple of weeks ago in the historic site with Omri Shalmon, the CEO of the Society for the Preservation of Heritage Sites in Israel, and Shlomit Namlich, from the Museums Division at the Ministry of Culture.

Another delegation of students from the University recently participated in a conference dealing with Russia in the 21st century and held in the Institute for Global Leadership at Tufts University in Massachusetts. Members of the delegation also met with the local students in the Jewish “Hillel” program and shared with them their views regarding the current situation in Israel.

The University’s student Model UN delegation took part in the London International Model United Nations - the largest annual university-based MUN conference in Europe. They won first place for "best small delegation" and 3 students won the "best delegate" prize in their committee. The attached photo is of the University’s London Model UN Delegation with Dr. Martin Steinfeld (on the far right). He hosted the students on Monday March 2nd at King’s College London Law School where he lectures. He showed them around Somerset House and gave a talk on the UK Constitutional Law and European Public Law. The students felt privileged to have been able to meet both him and Dr. Phillipa Webb, an expert in International Public Law with a decade of experience in the international legal practice and who worked at the United Nations.

In recent days, two representatives from the Younes and Soraya Nazarian Library, Liel Shalel and Eran Goldenberg, visited the Arabic language book fair in Nazareth. The book fair contained thousands of books that were brought into Israel from book fairs that had taken place in January in Cairo and Casablanca, from a variety of the biggest publishers around the Arab world. The two chose and purchased books to enrich the Library collection in a number of areas: Islam, Arabic language and literature, Arabic grammar, the history and politics of the Middle East etc. Additionally, the Library purchased books in Arabic from other vendors who had visited the book fair in Cairo.
The research of Prof. Dana Yagil from the Department of Human Services, who found that the repressing of positive interpersonal feelings of employees towards the customers harms customer satisfaction, was recently published in the world media including *The Jerusalem Post, Jewish Press, E Science News* and *Lab Manager*. 