



April 3, 2023

Prospect Students,

To the prospect students of the esteemed Yamanashi Gakuin University,

First of all, I would like to congratulate you all on your successful admission to the various and prosperous programs offered at Yamanashi Gakuin University. The application processes and the conducted entrance examinations are both over. It is time to take a little breather just before the first semester of your university life starts.

The university experience and education are both combined to prepare you, the student, for life after graduation. Like how all of you here today will soon come to realize how different university is compared to high school, life after graduating is very different.

The purpose of this journey is to grasp both as much knowledge and experience in the coming years. We have a saying in my country, Bahrain, that is commonly told to students, it is "become like a sponge". As I mentioned, accumulate knowledge and experience as much as possible, and when you are ready to start a new journey after graduating, take all what was obtained and make use of it.

Another important topic are the people you will meet here. There will be friends that are made during your stay here that will remain friends for life. I know to some of you, for life sounds a little farfetched, but the years will pass by very quickly, too quick to notice. So make sure that all of you gather as much knowledge and at the same time, make sure you take the time to appreciate and enjoy the little things.

I would like to extend my gratitude to all departments, professors and the Deputy President of International Affairs, Professor Tatsumi Akita for giving me the opportunity to relay this message today.

Every experience in life is unique and different, your high school days are done, it's time to become university students. I wish you all the best of luck.

Ahmed Aldoseri

Ambassador