



Student Club Profile

1. Introduction:

NOBLE is a volunteering and exchange network managed for and by students of Oman Tourism College. It aims to provide a venue for students to enhance their studies through extra and co-curricular activities. It does not function independently and all its activities are supervised and regulated by the college. Its address is located at Oman Tourism College, PO Box 2008, PC 111, CPO Seeb, Muscat City, Sultanate of Oman.

2. Official Name: NOBLE

2.1 Rationale: Noble is an English word which carries similar sound and meaning in Arabic (Nabil). It describes the act or deed of high moral principles and ideals. Every act of volunteering for educational or environmental purposes is considered noble.

3. Tagline: Volunteering & Exchange Network

4. Motto: Noble is Volunteering-Volunteering is Noble

5. Logo: The colors red and green represent the colors in the flag of Oman while the colors purple and blue are the colors of the Ministry of Tourism and Oman Tourism College respectively. The four hands indicate the main objectives of the club which are volunteering and exchange.

6. Objectives

- 6.1. To cultivate the culture of volunteering among the OTC community
- 6.2. To enhance opportunities for practical lifelong learning
- 6.3. To offer venues for social and environmental actions
- 6.4. To support cultural and educational exchange
- 6.5. To organize and host workcamps for exchange and cooperation
- 6.6. To engage the OTC alumni in noble's programs inside and outside of the college

The Inaugural Officers of Noble with their Adviser, MS. Jihad Al Harrasi and Dr. Don Anton Robles Balida, Noble Founder



Officers

President: Samira Al Balushi

Vice- President: Abdulmajeed Al Ghazali

Secretary: Salma Al Busaidi/ Abeer Al Maimani

Treasurer: Ishaq Al Hassani/ Alreem Al Saadi

PRO: Hamed Bait Nasib/Mazin Al Handhali/Naila Al Habsi

Marketing Officer Hend Fathi

Business Managers: Hilal Al Tamimi, Yusef Al Hosni,
Mohamed Al Maimani, Asad Albalushi

Membership

Membership is open to any registered student of Oman Tourism College. This membership is extended to all alumni who are actively involved in Noble's meetings, projects and related events. The member must participate in an international workcamp here in Oman or abroad if he/she wants to become an officer. All members are required to update the club through its officers in case of any change in telephone number and email address for the membership to be considered active.

Program of Work

Activities	Objectives	Target Date	Persons Involved
Training volunteers	To cultivate the culture of volunteering among students of the college	On-going	Club officers
Participate in volunteering activities inside and outside of the college	To contribute to the welfare of the society	As the need arises	Members and officers
Hosting workcamps	To offer venues for projects/ actions/initiatives that would help shape practical skills of participants	At least once a year during semester/summer break	Officers and members (Participants from Network for Voluntary Development in Asia – NVDA)
Organize volunteering projects/initiatives	To demonstrate volunteering as the core value of the club	At least once every semester	All members and officers (Collaborate with existing volunteering programs/organizations)
Exchange programs	To gain first-hand experience and to be able to share with other members	By invitation from other member countries of NVDA (Network for Voluntary Development in Asia)	Qualified/Selected members and officers

Noble Alumni

Alumni	Participation	Year
Mutassim Al Farsi	South Korea	2014
Salim Al Falahi	South Korea	2014
Sulaiman Al Balushi	South Korea	2014
Maryam Al Shuheili	South Korea & Sri Lanka	2015/2017
Huda Al Balushi	South Korea	2015

Dr. Abdulkarim Sultan Al Mughairi, delivering his inspirational message as the inducting officer of Noble Oman on 29 December 2016.



Dr. Shoba Zachariah, the Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs takes the honor of turning over Noble's banner to Samira Al Balushi, as the newly inducted president at the ceremonial installation of officers.

The college teaching and administrative staff with the Dr. Abdulkarim Sultan Al Mughairi and the newly installed officers of Noble Oman



Noble volunteers' arrival photo in Seoul, South Korea on their way to the International Workcamp 2015 hosted by Korean National Commission for UNESCO

Nobles at the 2015 Workcamp in South Korea with delegates from other countries



Korean national costume was proudly worn by the delegates of 2015 International Workcamp

Noble volunteers visited
Tokushima University, Japan



Noble volunteers eagerly
learning one of the Philippine
folk dances with tourism
students from Aklan State
University, Kalibo, Aklan,
Philippines

Hospitality students of Iloilo Science and Technology University, Dumangas Campus entertained OTC students with a cavalcade of folk songs and dances and a cooking demo.



Noble volunteers are proudly presenting Oman to the academic community of Iloilo Science and Technology University, Dumangas, Iloilo, Philippines



At Tokushima University, Nobles learned the art of Japanese calligraphy



Noble Volunteers arrival photo at Roxas City, Philippines on their way to the Bilateral Workcamp in Batad, Iloilo, Philippines hosted by Gawad Kalinga village.

Oman Air was the benefactor of Noble volunteers participation in the Bilateral Workcamp in Sri Lanka hosted by Green Volunteers for Green Future, Sri Lanka



We aspire for full membership with the Network for Voluntary Development in Asia (NVDA).

Dr. Don Anton Robles Balida, the coordinator for Co-Curricular Activities and Samira Al Balushi, Noble President joined the assembly in Central Java, Indonesia in February 2017



A pose with students of Al Ishlah School, Semarang, Indonesia, the host and beneficiary institution. Our Noble volunteers brought books and toys for their library, helped in construction work, beautification, cultural exchange and conducted some Arabic lessons.

OTC academic community
donated books and toys to Al
Ishlah School for orphans in
Semarang, Indonesia



Noble volunteers are painting the
newly built classroom of Al Ishlah
School in Semarang, Indonesia

OTC Students through Noble Oman, the volunteering and cultural exchange network of the college, participated in various International workcamps in Indonesia, Japan, Thailand, Sri Lanka and the Philippines with the following activities:

1. CULTURAL EXCHANGE

Activities at the workcamps are wide-range as well as educational and formative. For instance, the cultural exchange offers volunteers some opportunities for learning the local culture wherein representatives from every country got the chance to demonstrate cooking their traditional food, showcasing their costumes, music, dance, and even language. Cultural exchange is hugely celebrated at the international cultural day with performances taking place in front of the local audience in various places like parks, universities, town halls and even on the streets. Noble volunteers first-hand cultural experience includes temple rituals and calligraphy in Japan; fossil man excavation site in Java and Borobudur Temple in Indonesia; and the World Heritage Miag-ao Church in the Philippines. The student-volunteers from Oman Tourism College expressed their higher level of satisfaction and knowledge acquired from the cultural exchange undertakings as shown in the post-workcamp survey.

Nobles learn how to make sushi during the Bilateral Workcamp in Tokushima, Japan



2. Sustainable TOURISM

Being able to see and experience everything that the local hosts have to offer are rewarding for our tourism students. Tourism experience is limitless. Volunteers have enjoyed the world's best island of Boracay and the pristine beaches of Islas de Gigantes of the Philippines; the water rafting and ATV driving experiences in Bali, Indonesia; The Disneyland of Japan;



Temples of South Korea; and the Tea farms of Sri Lanka. Volunteers can actualize the theories of sustainable tourism, green practices, ecotourism, historical and cultural tourism which they only learned from the classrooms through their visit to those destinations.

3. Community OUTREACH PROJECTS

As Noble Oman embarks on a new workcamp each year, volunteers are faced with the challenge of being able to reach out to as many communities as possible. Ever since its inscription, Noble Oman has reached some recipients. The most notable ones are the Gawad Kalinga community at Batad, Iloilo, Philippines, DaLaa Project in Thailand and Al Ishlah School for the orphanage in Semarang, Indonesia. Gawad Kalinga benefited from the pavement which Noble constructed at the entrance of their village while Al Ishlah School received books and toys for their library. At the national level, Noble has the pleasure to work with Clean Up Oman, one of the most active volunteering associations in Muscat City, which maintains the cleanliness of beaches, rivers, and parks among others.

Clean Up drive at Wadi Al Khoud, Muscat, Oman



Irrigation construction in Trang Province, Thailand



Foot walk project at Gawad Kalinga Housing, Hamod, Batad, Iloilo, Philippines



Street cleanliness and beautification at Tokushima, Japan, hosted by NICE Japan



Noble President, Samira Al Balushi proudly waves the NVDA (Network for Voluntary Development in Asia) uniform at the conclusion of Clean Up drive at Wadi Al Khoud, Muscat City, Oman



Whenever our students achieve something, no matter how big or small, the college always recognizes them.



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