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Biography

Shortly after completion of her PhD in Cell biology from Université de Sherbrooke, Canada, in 1997, Dr. Jaalouk joined the Department of Sciences at the Faculty of Natural & Applied Sciences at NDU in 1998. She taught multiple undergraduate biology courses for majors including cell biology and human physiology, besides her appointment as chairperson of the department during 2001-2004. Subsequent to earning a Master of Public Health, emphasis-health education and behavior, in 2009, she became affiliated with the Department of Nursing & Health Sciences, and was appointed as department chairperson during 2009-2014. She has been teaching several courses in health sciences including health awareness, contemporary health issues, and introduction to public health. Her areas of research interest include nutrition and mental health, child nutrition and health and development, non-communicable chronic diseases particularly cardiovascular diseases.

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