Lebanese Professor and University students At LERC for Information

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Dr. Yumna Al-Husseini, professor in the Faculty Media and Documentation at the Lebanese University, accompanied her students, Ghadir Mtaeyrek, Reem Daher, and Fatima Naim, on an information gathering visit to the Lebanese Emigration Research Center (LERC) at Notre-Dame University-Louaizé (NDU).

The purpose of their visit was to learn more about what the Center does and to be introduced to the Center’s archives and databases. Mrs. Liliane Haddad, Chief Indexer and Archivist, gave them a tour of the Center’s research infrastructure and explained how the Center’s collects, digitizes and stores material for retrieval. Furthermore, Mrs. Haddad provided the students with information on the various types of material stored and how to retrieve them. She showed them examples of digitized books, articles, reports, photos, documents, biographies, dissertations, audio-visual recordings, and material culture including paintings and stamps among others.

The students are researching various archives in Lebanon. They were interested in knowing about LERC’s process of archiving, indexing and retrieving material. They were also eager to know how the Center obtains its material. Mrs. Haddad further explained that some of the valuable original materials are on display at the Lebanon Migration Nucleus Museum which is often visited by scholars, researchers, students and visitors from Lebanon and abroad.