

# Progression seen in UAE's Education system is fantastic news for expats, say Interdean

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The reaction follows a report (<http://www.uaecd.org/education-introduction>) released by the United Arab Emirates' embassy in Washington D.C. that states the existing system is thriving as the country's population grows and the government's heavy investment pays dividends.

In the UAE, education has long been touted as one of the highest priorities for their recent governments. The developments are a continuation of the infrastructure that has been implemented over recent years by the founder of the UAE, His Highness (H.H.) Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan. The progress highlights how far the region has come since the 1970s due to increased government involvement as well as heavy investment in a modern education system.

Before his death in 2004, Sheik Zayed stated that 'the greatest use that can be made of wealth is to invest it in creating generations of educated and trained people' and that 'the prosperity and success of the people are measured by the standard of their education'. The country has carried these notions forward into building a system that has seen all ages benefit from the changes.

The investment in the education system was largely spurred on by a rapid rise in population. As a result, the UAE now provides a financially viable and academically successful system that runs from nursery and pre-school through to university and postgraduate studies. It has received huge amounts of praise from the global community as it is free at all levels and all disciplines.

One statistic that highlights the progression of the UAE best is the average literacy levels of the population. In 1975, adult literacy was at 54 per cent among men and 31 per cent among women. In 2014 the figure is believed to be around 90 per cent across the board.

A spokesperson for Interdean, leaders in the field of international relocation, has released a statement following the news. 'The fact that the UAE can now boast one of the most efficient and progressive education systems in the Middle Eastern subcontinent speaks volumes for prospective expats to the region.

'While it is well known that there is a lot of job opportunities across a large selection of major industries, this news is equally as important. It acts as a huge vote of confidence for those with children still in education who are contemplating moving (<http://www.interdean.co.uk/moving-to-united-arab-emirates/>).'

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