

British Council holds briefing for UK-bound scholarship holders

MUSCAT — The British Council held a pre-departure briefing for a number of scholarship holders who are headed to the United Kingdom to study there under various scholarship programmes administered by the Council.

Around 10 scholars go to the UK to study for Masters degrees every year through the Chevening Scholarships, the British Scholarships for Oman (BSO) and the British Council Fellowships. Prior to their departure, British Council traditionally holds a briefing aimed at providing them with vital information about their future life in the UK and their studies.

The meeting also brings

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them into contact with the British Council and its staff and the BSO committee members. It reiterates that the British Council is committed to providing a high level of support, both in their home country and during their stay in the UK.

“Pre-departure briefings have been part of our protocol since we have been administering the scholarships. Most scholars have told us that they have found them extremely helpful, especially those who travelled out of the country for the first time. In fact, we have also incorporated additional infor-

mation from the feedback of visiting scholars,” said Rasha al Seifi, assistant director projects, British Council Oman.

The recent briefing, held at the Grand Hyatt Muscat, was attended by Rasha al Seifi, Majda al Riyami and Jokha al Abri from the British Council, Richard Groves and Chris Austin from the BSO and Richard Oppenheim from the British Embassy which is responsible for the Chevening Scholarships.

The meeting reiterated the importance of the pre-departure briefing programme and discussed the pre-requisite information that should be imparted to the scholars and visitors prior to their travel.



BRITISH Council staff along with BSO committee members.