



ILC Annual Review AY 2013/14

**Abu Dhabi Men's College
Independent Learning Centre**

Executive Summary



One of our major initiatives this year was the introduction of the Reading Challenge across all Foundations classes at ADMC. This involved over 700 students in Semester 1 and 650 students in Semester 2 competing against each other in a reading competition based on the M-Reader online programme. The aim of the Challenge was to improve reading and overall English skills. At the end of each semester an award ceremony was held where medals and trophies were presented to the most successful readers in Foundations.

As other HCT colleges have become aware of the success of our Reading Challenge, the ADMC ILC team has been supporting interested ILCs in initiating the program in their own colleges. We will continue hosting the Reading Challenge for all ADMC Foundation classes next academic year.

Official name of facility Independent Learning Centre

Campus student numbers AY 2013/14 3182

Staffing Structure

Louise Sikkens – ILC Librarian

Etchel Barina – ILC Assistant

Facilities & Services

The main focus for our ILC this academic year has been the Reading Challenge and on-going support for students and classes that use the ILC. Other major services that the ILC have offered include student/teacher orientation and support with online material, contributing to the ADMC Library newsletter and student support in registering for programmes such as Grammarly.

Resources

Due to the increased demand for use of the ILC in peak periods, the ILC was extended to include a fourth area that could be booked by classes. This meant an update of the hardware, so 15 new iMacs and tables were purchased. Currently, the ADMC ILC contains the following:

- Wireless laptops: 70
- iMacs: 24
- iPads: 6
- Furniture: 94 computer stations and chairs
- Fixed screens: 3
- Capacity: 4 classes

Learning Technologies

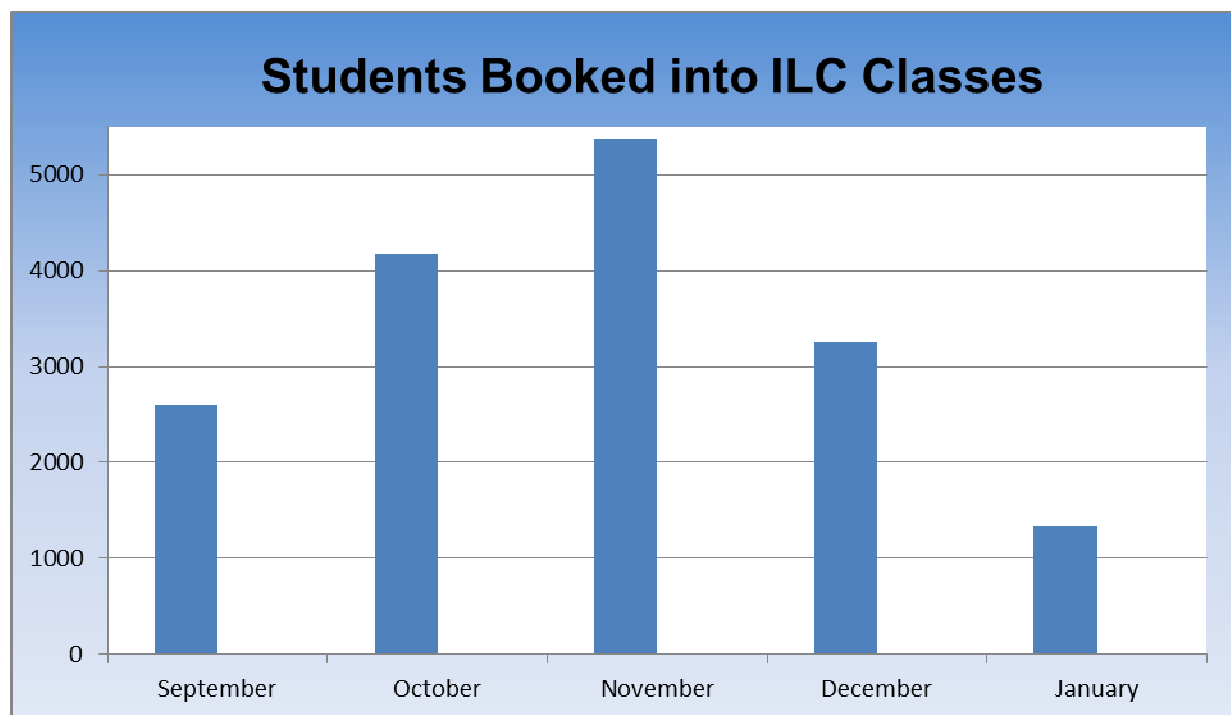
Over the past academic year, the ILC staff have been working hard to support teachers and students in new learning technologies. We have conducted iPad tutorials for students and teachers on accessing Overdrive (a new database), Oxford Bookworms and the online M-Reader programme.

Throughout the year we also updated our ILC website to include new links and programmes. Our updates include Grammarly, My English Lab and English Central.

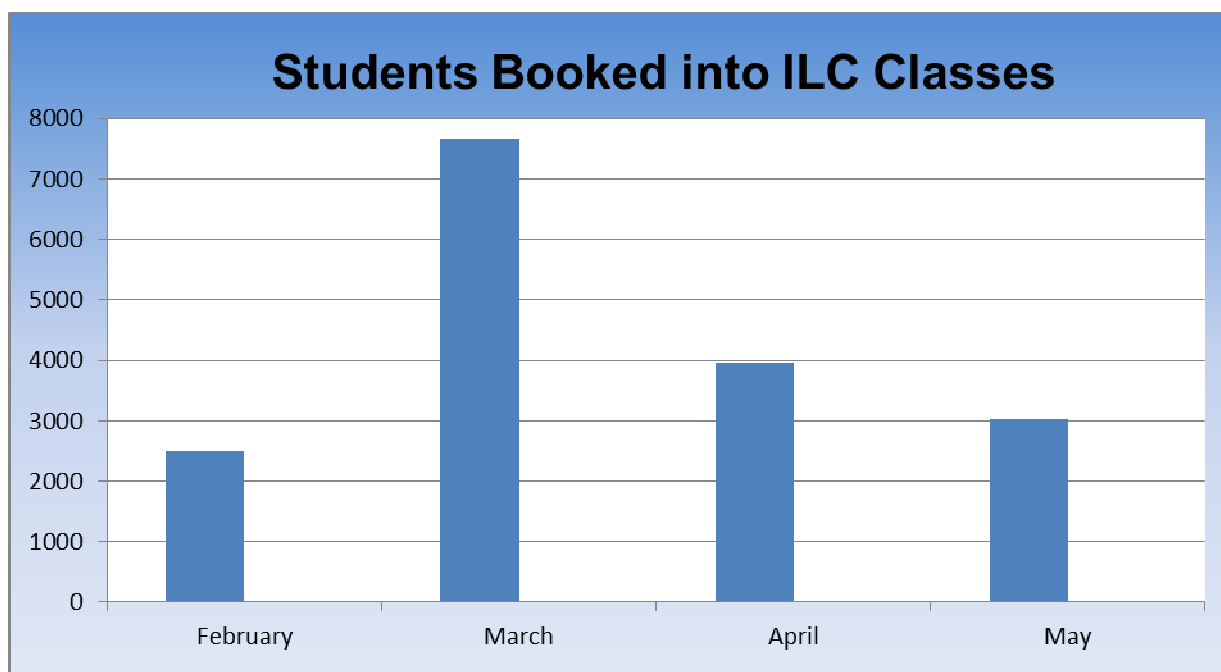
Student Support

The ADMC ILC staff has continued to offer on-going support to its students and faculty in a variety of ways. This includes 'drop in' sessions for students who need support with their assignments and research, assisting students with creating resumes and IT support when using ILC hardware.

**Classes booked into the ADMC ILC
Semester 1, 2013**

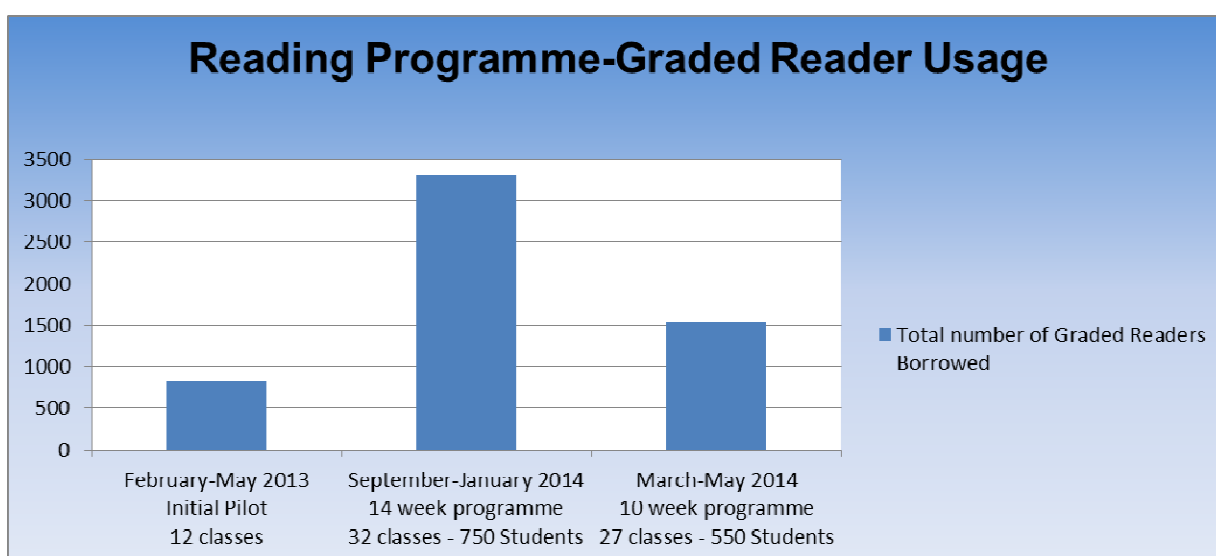


**Classes booked into the ADMC ILC
Semester 2, 2014**



Please note: These graphs are based on classes booked in the ILC and do not include data on individual students who use the ILC for independent study.

Reading Challenge – Graded Reader Statistics 2013/14



Curriculum Support & Collaboration

Due to the fact that the majority of the Foundations classes use the ILC regularly, we support this department by registering all students on online programmes such as Clarity, M-Reader and Scholastic Reading Counts.

The ILC Librarian is also the liaison person for General Studies and Foundations. In this role, she assists staff with all resourcing needs:

Promotion & Advocacy

ADMC hosts many VIP Tours throughout the year. Part of the tour involves a presentation in the ILC on mobile learning technology. The ILC Librarian shares the duty of presenting at these tours with the Reference Librarian. This promotes the ILC across the UAE and overseas.

The ADMC ILC staff also contribute to the monthly Library/ILC newsletter for both staff and students.

ILC Web link(s)

ILC website: <http://www.admc.hct.ac.ae/ilc/index.html>

Library and ILC Newsletter website: <http://abudhabimenscollegelibrary.blogspot.ae/>

ILC Blog: <http://admcilc.blogspot.ae/>

Independent Learning Centre
ILC @ ADMC

Reference Career Corner

HOME READING WRITING LISTENING GRAMMAR IELTS MATH QUICK LINKS

ILC MISSION

Our mission is to provide an environment beyond the classroom enriched with support, encouragement and assistance that is engaging and responsive to each student, allowing for individual differences and learning styles, with access to the very best learning opportunities using current technologies and resources that support student learning and development.

Reading Writing Listening & Speaking Grammar & Vocabulary IELTS Math & Science Quick Links

Community Outreach

Throughout the academic year, the ILC has supported our community borrowers by assisting with their research needs and providing an orientation of our facilities. We also have supported the Emirates College for Advanced Education in setting up the M-Reader programme.

Professional Development

The ILC staff has continued ongoing professional development over the past two semesters. Our focus has been Digital Media; including communication and presentation tools, cloud computing, imaging tools and video.

Throughout the academic year, the ILC Librarian has facilitated staff training in the Reading Challenge to other HCT ILCs and the Naval College.

Special Responsibilities

Over the past two semesters, the ILC Librarian has led the team for developing the HCT ILC Strategic Framework. This document will be ready for publication at the beginning of the new academic year.

Goals for Next Year

The major goals for the ADMC ILC for the next academic year are as follows:

- Collaboration with Khalifa City Women's College in presenting their Digital Media programme to staff and students.
- Continued support of staff and students using the ILC.
- A continuation of the Reading Challenge across all Foundation classes at ADMC.