

ICDL GCC Foundation accredits Parents and Teachers' Council of Sharjah Educational Zone

The worldwide recognized certification to build on Council's IT literacy programmes focusing on teachers, students and parents

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The ICDL GCC Foundation has recently announced that the Parents and Teachers' Council of the Sharjah Educational Zone has successfully completed their ICDL accreditation requirements, and has been officially declared an ICDL Approved Training and Test centre.

The Sharjah Parents and Teachers' Council, is a reputable educational organization that serves and supports the educational process in Sharjah. The Council conducts conferences, workshops, seminars and training related to development of education services. The ICDL accreditation will enable the Council to engage in the national efforts of furthering IT literacy among parents, teachers and students.

"ICDL GCC Foundation is pleased to accredit the Sharjah Parents and Teachers' Council as they have demonstrated consistency in providing valuable computer skills for the society, particularly to parents, teachers and students. This Council will be a further endorsement to ICDL's growing worldwide endorsements received from education ministries, international organizations," said Jamil Ezzo, Director General, ICDL GCC Foundation.

Dr. Humaid Nasser Al Zari, Council Manager, Sharjah Parents and Teachers' Council said, "This accreditation is a very important recognition for us. We are delighted that organizations like the ICDL GCC Foundation, which dedicates its efforts to raising the general level of computer skills in the society, has recognized our role and contribution in furthering IT literacy in the community. This certification will tremendously boost our initiative to furthering the IT literacy levels in the education sector in the UAE. We stand committed to adhering to the ICDL syllabus and the international standards of the program to ensure that our trainees gain the necessary IT skills to apply in their daily lives".

The Sharjah Parents and Teachers' Council and the ICDL GCC Foundation have a common goal of improving the quality of lives of people by bridging the digital gap. The ICDL GCC Foundation was created to manage the ICDL program in the GCC states, and has since been relentlessly striving to spread IT literacy and competency, by working directly with government organizations and policymakers. The Foundation recognizes the pivotal role that teachers and parents play in developing IT skills to students.

The ICDL program ensures that the holder of the certificate has the knowledge of the essential concepts of IT and is able to use a personal computer and its common applications at a reasonable competency level. The ICDL programme is open to everyone and is designed to ensure equal opportunity and fair participation in the

digital society by all people.

“ICDL, around the world, has been helping governments further IT literacy and improving people's chances of achieving greater success in the workplace through basic and advanced computer courses attuned to the needs of today's business,” concluded Ezzo.