

THE ROLE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES FACULTY MEMBERS IN PREPARING STRATEGIC PLAN AND OBSTACLES MIGHT HINDER THEIR ROLES

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***ABSTRACT_** The purpose of this study is to identify the role of female faculty members in preparing the strategic plan for the social sciences college at imam Muhammad bin Saud university, the obstacles which hinder their roles, and the suggestions they proposed to activate their roles in preparing such a plan. A survey descriptive approach of research was used in this study and 132 female faculty members participated. Data was collected by a questionnaire during the 2nd semester of the academic year. Major result: The role of the female faculty members in preparing the strategic plan for the social sciences college departments was found "low" and the fields were arranged in descending order as follows: strategic guidance field, environmental survey field, implementation field, planning for planning field and follow-up and evaluation field. The degree of the participants on the obstacles that hinder the participation in preparing the strategic plan for the social sciences college departments was found "high". The degree of the participants on the proposed solutions to activate their role in preparing the strategic plan for the social sciences college departments was found "very high". The results have shown that there are statistically significant differences at (0.05) which are due to the academic ranking variable, years of experience variable, and the number of training courses in the field of strategic planning in the means of the participants' responses regarding their role in preparing the strategic plan for the social sciences collage departments in favor of assistant professors, associate professors, and professors with an experience of 10 years and three training courses or more in the field of strategic planning.*

KEY WORD: strategic plan, female faculty members.