

EDITORIAL

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We are presenting to the academic community a new issue of the Scientific Journal SALUTA of the Faculty of Health Sciences of the Universidad Metropolitana de Educación, Ciencia y Tecnología UMECIT, whose articles in this issue we hope will be very useful and to the liking of our readers.

It is important to highlight through this space the joint and articulated work of the Research, Academic and Extension Departments, as well as the coordinations of the various faculties and in this particular case of the Faculty of Health Sciences, guided by the Academic Vice-Rector of UMECIT, which reflects the realization of the Neo-Cyberhumanist academic curricular model in the relevant training of our students to the global needs of today's world.

Highly relevant to the achievement of the objectives, the programs of: "Promotion of Formative Research and Innovation" and "Strengthening of Institutional Research", both oriented by the Direction of Research, Innovation and Graduate Studies, are very appropriate for the achievement of the objectives, both of which involve projects and a significant number of activities leading to achieve a research culture by our teachers and students, as well as a clear line converting UMECIT into a research university. I would particularly like to highlight the student research conferences where the real experience of our educational model is shown by the students of the different faculties and branches nationwide, with their scientific works elaborated in the classroom, demonstrating how the substantive functions of teaching, research and extension are articulated for the optimal achievement of a disciplinary training for the benefit of society.

At a time of UMECIT's growth where significant advances in research are achieved, where national and international strategic alliances are established for the promotion of research, where an important number of researches in different fields are advanced, where new research groups are managed, it is important to highlight the work done by the university permanently instilling ethical values so that its academic and scientific community achieves transparent, genuine and relevant productions to the country and the region, and therefore, in this case I highlight the creation and approval of the Bioethics Committee that will attest to these advances. Step by step UMECIT is giving solid foundations to its scientific production with an international vision.

Finally, I would like to continue inviting students and teachers from our university and other university institutions, as well as independent professionals and/or research centers to see SALUTA as a necessary tool to show the world the scientific advances in the field of health. Thanks to all our writers, thanks to the editorial committee, thanks to all readers because with your support UMECIT will continue “*opening doors and transforming lives*”.