



General Policy for the Admission of International Students to Jordanian Higher Education Institutions for the Academic Year 2026/2027 Issued pursuant to the provisions of Article (6), Paragraph (6) of the Higher Education and Scientific Research Law No. (17) of 2018 and its amendments, in accordance with the Higher Education Council Resolution No. (296/2026), dated 25 June 2026.

First: Admission to the Bachelor's Degree Stage:

International students are admitted to bachelor's degree programs in Jordanian universities according to the following conditions:

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| A. | <p>1 - The student must have passed the Jordanian General Secondary Education Certificate (Tawjihi), and must present the document certified by the Jordanian Ministry of Education.</p> <p>2 - The student must have passed an Arab or foreign General Secondary Education Certificate, and must present one of the following documents:</p> <p>First: The General Secondary Education Certificate issued by the Ministry of Education in any Arab country through regular study and issued before the academic year 2016/2017. It is equivalent to the Jordanian General Secondary Education Certificate and does not require equalization; the GPA and the stream listed in the certificate are adopted as they are.</p> <p>Second: The General Secondary Education Certificate issued by the Ministry of Education in any Arab country through non-regular study (affiliation, home study, external study, etc.) and issued before the academic year 2016/2017. It is equalized by the Jordanian Ministry of Education by issuing an equivalency certificate stating the percentage average and the educational stream (Scientific, Literary, Industrial, etc.).</p> <p>Third: The General Secondary Education Certificate issued by an entity other than the Ministry of Education in any Arab country and issued before the academic year 2016/2017. It is equalized by the Jordanian Ministry of Education by issuing an equivalency certificate stating the percentage average and the educational stream (Scientific, Literary, etc.).</p> <p>Fourth: The Saudi General Secondary Education Certificate issued before the academic year 2015/2016. It is endorsed by the Jordanian Ministry of Education and does not require equalization; the GPA and the stream listed therein are adopted as they are.</p> <p>Fifth: The Saudi General Secondary Education Certificate issued starting from the academic year 2015/2016. It is not endorsed; rather, it is equalized by the Jordanian Ministry of Education by issuing an equivalency certificate stating the percentage average and the educational stream (Scientific, Literary, Industrial, etc.).</p> <p>Sixth: The General Secondary Education Certificate or its equivalent issued by the Ministry of Education in any country starting from the academic year 2016/2017. It is equalized by the Jordanian Ministry of Education by stamping it with a special equivalency stamp, and the GPA and stream listed therein are adopted as they are. In the absence of these, a document showing the stream and GPA must be attached to it.</p> |
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	Seventh: Foreign secondary certificates issued from all countries around the world. They are equalized by the Jordanian Ministry of Education by issuing an equivalency certificate stating the GPA, secondary stream, year, and country of study, or the international student may present an equivalency document issued by the competent authority in their country. Eighth: Secondary certificates for international programs (IB / G.C.E / H.S.D / BTEC / IBCP / French Baccalaureate). They are equalized by the Jordanian Ministry of Education by issuing an equivalency certificate stating the percentage average and the educational stream (Scientific, Literary, etc.), or the international student may present an equivalency document issued by the competent authority in their country.
B.	A student holding the Jordanian General Secondary Education Certificate is permitted to enroll in various majors at the university in accordance with the majors available for the secondary school streams, pursuant to the general policy for the admission of Jordanian students to Jordanian universities.
C.	In the event that the stream of the General Secondary Education Certificate is not among the streams mentioned in the Jordanian General Secondary Education Certificate, the student must bring an official document from the Jordanian Ministry of Education or the competent authority in their country indicating that the stream of the General Secondary Education Certificate obtained enables them to enroll in the required university major in the universities of their country.
D.	The university may admit a number of students as an exception to the minimum admission averages stipulated in the general policy for admitting students to Jordanian universities, up to a maximum of (10) grades below the minimum admission averages specified for enrollment in the Medicine and Dentistry majors, and (15) grades below the minimum admission averages specified for enrollment in other colleges/majors, provided that they adhere to the General Secondary Certificate streams that determine enrollment in each college/major and that the student passes with an average of no less than (50%).
E.	1. In special cases associated with the supreme national public interest, and by a decision of the Higher Education Council, it is permissible to admit no more than (5) five students in each of the official Jordanian universities, up to a maximum of (5) grades below the minimum admission averages mentioned in paragraph (d) above, provided that they adhere to the General Secondary Certificate streams that determine enrollment in each college/major and that the student passes with an average of no less than (50%). 2. Students who meet the conditions of this policy may be admitted in excess of the capacity, provided that the percentage does not exceed (25%) for each major in Jordanian universities of those admitted annually, and (50%) for the Medicine and Dentistry majors, provided that the special accreditation criteria for the major are met.
Second: Admission to the Diploma Stage:	
A.	Students are admitted to intermediate university colleges provided they pass the Jordanian General Secondary Education Certificate or its equivalent in accordance with what is stated

	in Article (First/A/2) above, with a minimum average of (50%) and according to the capacities specified by the Accreditation and Quality Assurance Commission.
B.	The majors that a student can study are determined based on the secondary school stream obtained, in line with the majors available for that stream according to the general policy for the admission of students to intermediate university colleges.

Third: Admission to the Bridging (Tashseer) Stage:

A.	A student holding a Jordanian Intermediate University Degree may apply directly to official Jordanian universities, private universities, or university colleges, provided that the student's average in the Comprehensive Exam (Al-Shamel) or the cumulative GPA at the college is not less than (70%) for the Engineering, Pharmacy, and Veterinary Medicine majors, and (68%) for the rest of the majors.
B.	The university may admit students holding the Intermediate University Degree (Comprehensive Exam) or according to the cumulative GPA at the college in Jordanian higher education institutions as an exception to the minimum admission averages stipulated in the general policy for admission, up to a maximum of (5) grades below the minimum admission averages in the colleges/majors, within the various programs in official universities (except for the regular program), private universities, and university colleges, and according to the lists approved for this purpose.
C.	Bridging to the Pharmacy major is restricted to holders of the General Secondary Certificate in the Scientific Stream or its equivalent.
D.	A student who has successfully obtained an Intermediate University Degree from outside the Kingdom may apply directly to universities for bridging in all programs except for the regular program in official and private Jordanian universities in corresponding majors and according to the lists approved for this purpose. In the event that the major is not listed within the lists of corresponding majors, the concerned university determines the corresponding major according to the academic courses listed in the transcript.

Fourth: Admission to Graduate Programs:

A.	An applicant seeking admission to a Master's program must hold a Bachelor's degree with a rating of no less than "Good" or its equivalent.
B.	A student holding a Bachelor's degree with a rating of "Pass" or its equivalent may apply for admission to Master's programs provided that: • They study (3) courses from the Master's courses (during the first academic year of enrollment) specified by the department they wish to join, and these courses shall be unified for this category of students. • They pass each course with an average of no less than 70% or its equivalent to become a regular student, and the courses completed shall be counted toward their study plan; otherwise, their admission shall be considered null and void.
C.	A student holding a Higher Diploma degree with a rating of no less than "Very Good" may apply for admission to Master's programs, regardless of the rating in the Bachelor's degree.
D.	A student holding a Master's degree with a rating of no less than "Good" or its equivalent may apply for admission to Doctoral programs.
E.	A student holding a Bachelor's degree with a rating of "Pass" or its equivalent and a Master's degree with a rating of no less than "Good" or its equivalent may apply for admission to Doctoral programs.
F.	Every student wishing to enroll in graduate programs at Jordanian universities is required to submit proof of passing one of the foreign language proficiency exams (TOEFL, IELTS, French language, German language) as follows: 1. TOEFL iBT: For scientific majors (Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Doctor of Pharmacy, Veterinary Medicine, Engineering in all its branches, and all English language majors [Literature, Translation, Curricula and Methods of Teaching English, ... etc.]) with a score of no less than (90); for the remaining scientific majors and the MBA major with a score of no less than (69); and for humanitarian, economic, and administrative majors with a score of no less than (59), from the (AMIDEAST) center - Jordan branch or from accredited centers in the country where the student resides, provided that the validity of the certificate is verified. 2. IELTS Exam: For scientific majors (Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Doctor of Pharmacy, Veterinary Medicine, Engineering in all its branches, and all English language majors [Literature, Translation, Curricula and Methods of Teaching English, ... etc.]) with a score of no less than (6.5); for the remaining scientific majors and the MBA major with a score of no less than (5.5); and for humanitarian, economic, and administrative majors with a score of no less than (5), from the following centers accredited in Jordan: (British Council – Amman, Oval International Academy, UniHouse – For Consultations and Studies), or from accredited centers in the country where the student resides, provided that the validity of the certificate is verified. 3. The following levels are adopted for the purposes of calculating the German and French language scores for admission to the relevant graduate programs:

Majors	German Language	French Language
Language programs and their fields (Translation, ...etc.)	Level B2	Level B2

	4. The online IELTS exam certificate and the online TOEFL iBT exam certificate are accepted for international students issued from outside the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, provided that the validity of the certificates is verified. 5. The following are exempted from paragraph (F) above: • First: Non-Arabic speaking students wishing to enroll in graduate programs in Arabic language majors and Sharia College majors at Jordanian universities are exempted from the foreign language requirement if they are proficient in the Arabic language. • Second: Students who have already passed the foreign language requirement exam for admission to graduate programs in Jordanian universities upon enrolling in a new Master's program or a Doctoral program. • Third: Exemption of students holding an academic degree from English-speaking countries; this does not include academic programs hosted with Jordanian universities or with universities of Arab countries.
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G.	The university may admit a student who does not meet the English language requirement, provided that they register for an English language qualifying program consisting of (6) credit hours in the first semester of enrollment. During this semester, the student is allowed to register for only 3 hours of courses from their study plan. They shall not be allowed to register for any courses from their study plan in the following semester if they do not pass the English language qualifying program and achieve the required score, as follows: 1. Humanitarian, economic, and administrative majors: (50%) and above. 2. Scientific majors, Nursing, Rehabilitation Sciences, and the Master of Business Administration (MBA) major: (65%) and above. 3. Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Doctor of Pharmacy, Veterinary Medicine, Engineering in all its branches, and all English language majors (Literature, Translation, Curricula and Methods of Teaching English): (75%) and above.
H.	It is left to the Jordanian universities, should they deem fit, to decide on holding an Arabic language exam for students wishing to enroll in their graduate programs, similar to the English language exam equivalent to international exams, according to examinations set by the university itself.
I.	Jordanian universities may accept the student's result in the English language qualifying program that they previously passed at one university if they wish to transfer to another university to complete the requirements for obtaining a Master's degree, provided that: 1. Their grade in the program meets the minimum grade requirement for the major they wish to transfer to. 2. No more than four academic semesters have passed since passing that program.

J.	1. Students of professional, technical, or vocational diplomas are not allowed to enroll in graduate programs (as they are not higher diplomas). 2. No course from professional, technical, or vocational diploma programs shall be counted, as they are not academic programs.
K.	Students who meet the conditions of this policy may be admitted in excess of the capacity, at a rate of (15%) for the Master's degree and (10%) for the Doctorate, provided that the accreditation criteria for each major are met.

Fifth: General Provisions:

	A. Priority is given to fulfilling the English language requirement over the remaining following conditions that enable the student to enroll in graduate programs. B. It is permitted to equalize courses studied by a student during the diploma stage, through which they did not obtain a diploma qualification, for the purpose of enrolling in a bachelor's program at Jordanian universities, up to a maximum of 20 credit hours. C. A student who has successfully obtained an Intermediate University Degree from outside the Kingdom is not allowed to bridge into Medicine and Dentistry majors at Jordanian universities. D. Courses from a Higher Diploma program may not be counted when a student enrolls in a Master's program unless obtaining the Higher Diploma was a result of their failure to obtain a Master's degree. In this case, the university may count no more than (9) credit hours when they enroll in a new Master's program. E. Courses from a Master's program obtained by the student may be counted for the purpose of enrolling in a new Master's program, provided that: • The content of the study plan matches by no less than (70%). • The number of counted hours does not exceed (6) credited academic hours.
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Sixth :	A. Official Jordanian universities and colleges must commit not to accept any non-Jordanian student from inside or outside the Kingdom except through the electronic Unified Admission System, effective from the beginning of the academic year 2024–2025. B. Recommending to private universities and university colleges not to accept any non-Jordanian student from inside or outside the Kingdom except through the electronic Unified Admission System, effective from the second semester of the next academic year (2025/2026). C. Approval to set the service fee for submitting an electronic unified admission application for international students at an amount of (35) Jordanian Dinars only, and without this conflicting with the student paying the admission application fee within the university fees they will pay to the concerned university where they will be accepted.
Seventh:	Exempted from this policy are students admitted in implementation of cultural agreements in official Jordanian universities by a decision of the Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research / Chairman of the Higher Education Council, and according to the texts of the agreements.
Eighth:	A Jordanian student who holds the citizenship of a foreign country is permitted to apply for the international program at Jordanian universities, provided that: • Adhering to the minimum admission averages applicable to Jordanian students. • Adhering to the instructions and foundations specific to the international program in force at Jordanian universities.
Ninth:	The Higher Education Council shall decide on cases for which there is no provision in this policy.
Tenth:	This policy nullifies any other decisions that contradict it, or any instructions, decisions, or agreements between universities, or any other institutions related to student admission, unless approved by the Higher Education Council.