

About Jordan

1. Jordan is known internationally for being a tourist paradise, highly praised for its virtues of hospitality and courtesy. There are currently around 42 thousand international students, representing 109 global nationalities and studying in Jordanian public and private universities.
2. Arabic is the official language in Jordan. English is widely used as a second language.
3. The country has a Mediterranean-style climate. In summer, the climate in Jordan is semi-dry with an average temperature in the mid 30°C and relatively cold in winter averaging around 13°C. The western part of the country receives greater precipitation during the winter season from November to March.
4. The country is located in the heart of the Middle East, Northwest of Saudi Arabia, south of Syria, Southwest of Iraq, and east of Palestine.
5. The cost of living in Jordan is much lower than most western countries. Its currency is the Jordanian Dinar JOD, which is subdivided into 100 Qirsh or piasters. The dinar is equivalent to 1.41 US Dollars.
6. National holidays are on Fridays and Saturdays, as well as a number of religious and national days.

Higher education in Jordan

7. There are 31 higher education institutions in Jordan; 10 public, 18 private, 1 regional, 2 operating under special law, 7 university colleges. In addition to 39 community colleges.
8. All the universities in Jordan are distinguished for applying the highest standards of higher education in their curricula. Furthermore, Jordanian university graduates are known to have a competitive edge in the market in contrast to graduates from other countries.
9. Most Higher education institutions in Jordan are working on achieving an international ranking and international recognition. Admission of applicants to higher education institution depends on the institution and the requirements of the program of study. The Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research accredits the programs.
10. Higher education institutions in Jordan have partnerships, academic agreements and joint research projects with eminent international scientific institutions and centers.
11. Many students and university lecturers have obtained regional and international awards in various disciplines.
12. The academic year in Jordan is divided into two compulsory academic semesters. The duration of each semester is sixteen weeks. There is further an optional eight-week summer semester. Jordan adopts the credit hour system of teaching rather than the system of years in the majority of programs.
13. Faculty members hold higher qualifications and expertise and are graduates of prestigious European and American universities.

14. Students with a high school diploma or its equivalent from outside Jordan can enroll in higher education institutions directly through websites of public and private universities or community colleges based on their averages. Universities implement the credit hours system, which allows students to choose courses according to their study plan.
15. Students wishing to enroll in a master's program must hold a bachelor's degree. Furthermore, students who wish to enroll in doctoral programs must hold a master's degree.
16. In addition, students wishing to enroll in postgraduate programs are required to provide a certificate confirming their English proficiency level in a TOEFL or IELTS exam. They could also demonstrate a certain proficiency level in French or German.
17. Students can apply for admission to a higher education institution in Jordan through the following:
 18. 1- Applying directly to the higher education institution of their choice. Many higher education institutions in Jordan have online application services or through university service offices; while some institutions accept applications through mail. Each higher education institution determines its own enrollment requirements. Therefore, a prospective student should communicate with the institution they wish to apply to in order to know the specific admission requirements and procedures.
 19. 2. Applying directly through the International Students' Affairs Unit (ISA) at the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research through the following contact details:
 - Website: <https://studyinjordan.jo/>
 - Direct phone: 00962781111185
 - Email: ISA@mohe.gov.jo
 - Facebook: <https://facebook.com/StudyinjordanISA/>
 - Twitter: [International Students' Affairs Jordan](#)
 - Instagram: https://instagram.com/isa_mohe_jordan/
20. As the Ministry of Higher Education in Jordan is keen on following up with the affairs of all international students studying in Jordanian higher education institutions, the ISA Unit has been established. ISA is responsible for everything related to the affairs of all international students from the moment they start their studies and until they graduate. And all students that have inquiries or suggestions can contact ISA directly through the contact details illustrated above!