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Admission

What are the programs that are offered by UoS?

University of Sharjah includes 14 colleges and offers total of 104 programs in Bachelor's, Master's, Doctorate and Graduate Studies Diplomas.

For more information about the programs, please check [University website](#).

What are the required averages for the admission?

Admissions averages starting from 70% and it is different based on the desired major. For more information, please click [here](#).

Does the University accept “General stream” students in scientific majors?

University of Sharjah does not accept General stream students in College of Medicine, Dental Medicine, Pharmacy and Physiotherapy major.

They can be accepted in the following colleges: Sciences, Engineering, Health Sciences, and Computing and Informatics based on specific criteria, Admission to some majors required to study qualifications program in the first semester before studying the desired major courses.

To view the requirements, please click [here](#) .

Does the University accept students holding old high school certificate?

Applicant’s high school graduation date should not be more than 3 years for all programs except Medicine and Dental Medicine programs as it should not be more than one year.

Can I apply to the university if my high school certificate is older than the required?

You can submit your papers to Admissions Dept. and an exceptional committee will study your case and decide the possibility of acceptance. Noting that admissions will be conditional and accepted students must complete 20 credit hours, and get CGPA not less than 2.0 out of 4.0.

In case a student didn’t meet these conditions she\he will dismissal from the university and will pay all the course required tuition fees.

(Note: The above are applied for all colleges expect Medicine and college of Dental Medicine as there are no expectations in their admissions).

What are the required documents to apply?

To view the required documents, please click [here](#) .

When are the official admission periods?

Admission to UOS is opened in two basic periods, Fall and Spring. Applicants can apply during these periods through the university online application system that is available in the

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website according to the specified dates that are announced on the University website, local newspapers & social media sites.

Early admission for Fall semester usually starts in April. Regular admissions open after the high school results are out during June.

Spring admission period which will be in December, admission is only available for selected programs only that are usually announced on the website before starting the admissions.

To view admissions dates, please click [here](#).

How can I apply?

You can apply by filling the online application that is available in admissions webpages on the website www.sharjah.ac.ae/oa without visiting the university.

Applicant will fill the online form during the admissions period only, upload the scanned documents and pay application fees to complete the request.

How can I apply in the early admission period?

For high school student who still in grade 12, they can apply in the early admission period by submitting Grade 10, 11 and first / second term (if any) of grade 12.

For the students holding a British curriculum they have to submit the marks of the O. Level and (A.S level or A.level (If any), or the expected marks of any advanced level grades (A.S level or A. Level) and they will get conditional acceptance till they provide their final grades and will not be able to register their schedule.

Note: Applicants who got high-expected grades can take a conditional admission and the final acceptance will depend on final grades, this applies to all colleges except medicine and dentistry as the admission is competitive in those colleges.

Why the online form doesn't show my desired major?

The list of available programs depends on the information you have filled in the online form and you must meet the admissions requirements (graduation date, school average, study track, gender, and required campus). Please make sure that you enter these required fields and you are eligible to apply.

Also, the desired major may not be available for admission in this semester or seats may be full.

How can I track the status of my application?

You can follow the status of the application by accessing your online application account; moreover, you will be notified of all updates and your missing documents through the registered e-mail in the application. You can also track your application by using "Direct Contact to Admissions Department" service.

To contact Admissions Department, Please click [here](#) .

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When will I get the reply on my application?

The reply will be sent out within 3 to 7 working days at the latest (if the student has missing documents) and the result is sent by the registered e-mail in the online application.

What should I do after receiving my acceptance response?

The students should follow the instructions sent to them through their Email and do the required based on that.

- Prospective students should reserve a seat in the major they have been assigned to, within the period specified in the e-mail (by paying the amount of AED 3000 that is non-refundable in case of withdrawal or failure to joining the university, this amount counts as down payment from the tuition fees in case of joining the University).
- Applicants who applied to join Medicine or Dental Medicine colleges should pay a non-refundable amount of AED 1500 in order to take part in the competition. The results of accepted students will be announced by end of July.

What I can do if I miss the payment deadline?

You may contact Admissions departments to check if they can give you an extension and it will be based on the remaining available seats in the major.

Contact information:

Department Email: admission@sharjah.ac.ae

Contact number:

0097165050735 or 600522251

Do I have to submit my documents after the acceptance?

Yes, accepted students should provide attested copy of the certificates and all the required documents within the specified period, and they will not be allowed to register in courses or obtain university ID cards before completing all the required documents.

To view the required documents, please click [here](#).

Certificates attestation and equivalency

Where I can attest the certificates that are issued from UAE?

Applicants must submit a copy of high school Diploma or it is equivalent (if available) and an attested copy of the certificates (true copy). They must be authenticated from the educational institution in which the student studied in the country, and the Ministry of Education or the Educational Zoon.

Where I can attest the certificates that are issued from outside UAE?

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Applicants must submit a copy of high school Diploma or it is equivalent (if available) and an attested copy of the certificates (true copy). They must be authenticated from the official educational authority in the country of study (such as: the Ministry of Education, Boards of Education, the British Council ...) then the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and the embassy of the United Arab Emirates in the country of study, or the Embassy of the Country in the UAE, and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the United Arab Emirates.

Does the university accept private candidates from not licensed organization?

No, University of Sharjah doesn't accept any not recognized studies. Applicants must complete 12 years of studying and the school must be recognized by the ministry of education in the UAE or official educational authority in the country of study.

How I can apply for equivalency letter?

Students holding foreign certificates must apply for the equivalency letter from the Ministry of Education in the UAE.

Admissions and placement tests

What are the required admissions or placement tests in UoS?

- All students applying in any English language programs must provide proof of English language proficiency.
- All students applying in Public Relations, Mass Communication Arabic track, or Early Childhood Education programs are required to provide a score of 1100 in EmSAT test or it is equivalent.
- All students accepted in any Engineering program should set for the placement test in Physics and Mathematics.
- All students holding "General Stream" high school certificates and admitted into Applied Physics or Petroleum Geosciences and Remote Sensing programs in College of Sciences must set for the placement test in Physics and Mathematics.
- All students applying to College of Communication are required to sit for an interview for the purpose of being accepted.
- All students applying to the Department of English Language and Literature should sit for an Arabic Placement test (for students who obtain the General Secondary Certificate at schools whose curricula do not include the Arabic Language).

For more information, please click [here](#).

What are the accepted English proficiency tests in UoS?

The University accepts these local and international tests:

- Paper-Based TOEFL that offered by University of Sharjah or AMIDEAST Dubai and Abu Dhabi only.
- EmSAT Test.

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- Academic IELTS Test.
- International TOEFL Test (IBT).
- PTE Academic Test.

To view the required score for each exam, please click [here](#).

What is the validity of English proficiency test?

EmSAT exam is valid for one and half year and other tests for two years from the date of the test, and it should be approved by the (Languages Institute) in the University.

Is SAT- Math test required as a part of the admission?

SAT-Math certificate is not an admission requirement, but it is required by the Ministry of Education in UAE to issue the equivalency for students obtaining American high school.

Is IESOL exam accepted in UoS?

No, we have cancelled the IESOL exam and don't accept it any more. To view English proficiency exams accepted by the university, please click [here](#) .

Transfer

Can I apply as a transfer student?

Yes, in condition that you meet the admission requirements for transfer students in addition to high school requirements for the desired major.

Also, The University from which the student is transferring must be accredited by the Ministry of Education in the United Arabs Emirates.

To view transfer requirement, please click [here](#).

To view admissions required documents, please click [here](#).

(Note: This applies on all colleges except for the Colleges of Medicine and Dental Medicine, as we do not accept transfer students to these colleges).

Should transfer students to UoS provide a proof of English language proficiency?

Yes, transfer students must provide an English proficiency test for all colleges and majors that require English test and it should be valid.

For more information, please [click here](#).

What are the transfer procedures?

1. Meeting the admissions and transfer requirements.
2. Submitting official transcript (Duly Certified).
3. Detailed course descriptions (Certified by the previous university)
4. Filling the online form and paying application fees.
5. Filling Transfer form request.

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6. The Request will be forwarded to the college and they will check the credits subjects hours based on university bylaws.
7. Student will be informed about the credited hours once we receive college confirmation.

Tuition Fees and discounts:

What are the application fees?

Application fees are 360 AED (Non-refundable) .

What reservation seat fees mean and are they refundable?

The students will pay Reservation seat fees (3000 AED) to confirm the reservation of the seat, and it is considered as a first payment of tuition fees and they are non-refundable in case of withdrawal or non-enrollment.

(Note: This applies on all colleges except for the Colleges of Medicine and Dental Medicine).

When shall I pay the seat reservation fees?

Prospective students should reserve a seat after receiving an offer from the admission office based on their online application; they are advised to pay the fees as soon as they can to get the acceptance before fulfilling all available seats in the desired major.

What does competition fees mean and are they refundable?

The students will pay the competition fees (1500 AED) to enter the competition of Colleges of Medicine and Dental Medicine and it is considered as a first payment of tuition fees in case of acceptance and non-refundable in any case.

How I can pay application fees, seat reservation or competition fees?

You can pay through Admissions Department e-payment gateway by using credit card, or by cash in the Finance Department in the University.

When I have to pay the tuition fees?

Accepted students in Medicine and Dental Medicine programs are required to pay tuition fees no more than one week from the date of the announcement of the accepted students names.

For other colleges, Students are required to pay tuition fees before registration week. They also can pay tuition fees with seat reservation fees and complete the missing documents to take the schedule before the registration week.

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Are there any other fees that I should pay?

The University charges some services fees for the enrolled students. To view the fees, please click [here](#).

Can I pay in installments?

Yes, you can. To view payment methods, please click [here](#).

Does the university provide scholarships for students?

The university does not offer full scholarships, but there are multiple discounts. For more, please click [here](#).

General Questions:

Is the University accredited?

Yes, The University of Sharjah is fully licensed and all its programs are accredited by the Commission for Academic Accreditation (CAA) in the Ministry of Education in United Arab Emirates.

Also, the University is focusing on having accreditation and recognition for its programs from different recognition institutes and international accreditations.

For more information, please click [here](#) .

Is there a distance learning classes?

No, there is not.

Are there evening classes?

Classes are conducted at the morning in the Main branch. In other University branches, Morning classes are for female students and evening classes for male students.

Is the study at the University is co- Educational?

There are two separate campuses in the University, Women and Men campuses and they are separate, but for Colleges of Medicine, Dental Medicine, Pharmacy, Health sciences and Fine Arts and Design, the study is Co Education.

From where can I buy the books?

Books can be collected from the “University Bookshop” which is located in the Student Center at the Men’s (M21 building) or Women’s (W21 building) campus.

Is there a hostel in the University?

Yes, we have two separate hostels for male and female students. For more information about student hostel, please click [here](#).

When can I apply for the university ID card?

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New students may receive their university ID card during the first week of classes from student Records, Document and Archiving office.