

Student Admission Criteria Regulations

January 2025

The Vice Chancellor,
Having reviewed:

Federal Law No. (4) of 1976 concerning the Establishment and Organization of the UAE University;

Cabinet Resolution No. (55) of 2022 on Governance of Federal Higher Education Institutions in UAE;

Chancellor's Decree No. (1) of 1979 on the Executive Bylaws of Federal Law No. (4) of 1976, as amended;

Chancellor's Decree No. (26) of 2018 on the adoption of the Admissions and Registration Policies;

Vice Chancellor's Decree No. (72) of 2018 on the adoption of the Admissions and Registration Procedure;

Decides: **Article (1)**

University Admission Requirements:

All applicants to UAE University must satisfy the following admission requirements:

1. Completion of High School (Grade 12) Certificate, or its equivalent, no more than one year prior to the date of submitting the admission application for the following categories: nationals and children of national mothers (priority 1 – P1) students, international students with scholarships, and children of UAEU staff and faculty members. Male students attending the National Service are considered P1 students as long as they join the University within the two semesters following their completion of the National Service.
2. Completion of High School (Grade 12) Certificate, or its equivalent, more than one year prior to the date of submitting the admission application for the following categories: nationals and children of national mothers (priority 2 – P2 and Priority 3 – P3) students, international students, and children of UAEU staff and faculty members admitted as tuition-paying students.
3. A minimum score of (80%) in High School (QFEmirates Level 3) in English for MOE National curriculum certificate, or proof of English proficiency by an equivalent international test [minimum score of 500 in TOEFL (ITP), or 61 in TOEFL (iBT), or 173 in TOEFL (CBT)], or taken an English bridging course for conditionally admitted students.
4. Applicants who graduated from private schools not following the UAE Ministry of Education (MoE) curriculum and those with High School (Grade 12) Certificates issued from abroad should obtain equivalency for their High School (Grade 12) Certificate from the UAE MoE.
5. Applicants should not have been expelled from any institution for academic or disciplinary reasons.
6. Students are admitted on a competitive basis, considering the English score, and based on the maximum capacity of the University, available spaces in University hostels, and available seats in the different colleges/programs considering their academic qualifications. Students shall be assigned provisionally to colleges in accordance with the

instructional capacity of each college. Satisfying the minimum requirements does not guarantee admission to a specific college.

7. General Track, Applied Track, and Indian and Pakistani Boards students are not admitted to the Doctor of Medicine Program in the College of Medicine and Health Sciences.
8. Students are admitted to Colleges upon fulfilling College Admission Qualifications listed in the below table.
9. Students having three bridging courses are not allowed to register in other credit-bearing courses while enrolled in bridging courses. Students having two bridging courses may register in one General Education course while students having one bridging course may register in two General Education courses.
10. Students are expected to achieve all bridging courses requirements as outlined in the below table within one semester, otherwise they are assigned to a college commensurate with their academic achievements, or their conditional admission to the University is canceled.

Colleges' Admission Qualifications*

College/Program	College Admission Qualifications
College of Medicine and Health Sciences (Doctor of Medicine Program)	<p><u>Mathematics Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A minimum score of (90%) in High School (QFEmirates Level 3) in Mathematics subject, or - Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT) with a minimum score of (590), or - Advanced Placement (AP) with a minimum score of (4), or - International Baccalaureate (IB - High Level Exam) with a minimum score of (5), or - General Certificate of Education (GCE – A Level) with a minimum score of (B). <p><u>Science Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A minimum score of (90%) in High School (QFEmirates Level 3) in two of the three Science subjects (Biology, Chemistry, or Physics), or - Advanced Placement (AP) with a minimum score of (4), or - International Baccalaureate (IB - High Level Exam) with a minimum score of (5), or - General Certificate of Education (GCE – A Level) with a minimum score of (B). <p><u>Other Program Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Passing CMHS MD Program Entry Test. - Passing the Mini Multiple Interviews (MMI).
College of Medicine and Health Sciences (Health Sciences: Nutritional Science, Dietetics, and Speech Language Pathology Programs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Applications are prioritized based on Mathematics and Science grades if the number of applications exceeds the program capacity.
College of Engineering,	<p><u>Mathematics Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A minimum score of (80%) in High School (QFEmirates Level 3) in Mathematics subject, or - Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT) with a minimum score of (555), or - Advanced Placement (AP) with a minimum score of (3), or

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - International Baccalaureate (IB - High Level Exam) with a minimum score of (4), or - General Certificate of Education (GCE – A Level) with a minimum score of (C). <p><u>Science Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A minimum score of (80%) in High School (QFEmirates Level 3) in Physics and in either Chemistry or Biology, or - Advanced Placement (AP) with a minimum score of (3), or - International Baccalaureate (IB - High Level Exam) with a minimum score of (4), or - General Certificate of Education (GCE – A Level) with a minimum score of (C).
College of Science and College of Information Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Applications are prioritized based on Mathematics and Science grades if the number of applications exceeds the program capacity.
College of Agriculture and Veterinary Medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Passing the Mini Multiple Interviews (MMI) is required for the Veterinary Medicine Program. - Applications are prioritized based on Mathematics and Science grades if the number of applications exceeds the program capacity.
College of Humanities and Social Sciences, College of Education, and College of Business and Economics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Applications are prioritized based on Mathematics grade if the number of applications exceeds the program capacity.
College of Law	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A minimum score of (70%) in High School (QFEmirates Level 3) in Mathematics subject, or - Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT) with a minimum score of (520), or - Advanced Placement (AP) with a minimum score of (2), or - International Baccalaureate (IB - High Level Exam) with a minimum score of (3), or - General Certificate of Education (GCE – A Level) with a minimum score of (D) - A minimum score of (80%) in High School (QFEmirates Level 3) in Arabic. <p>Applications are prioritized based on Arabic and Math grades if the number of applications exceeds the program capacity.</p>

** If the score is not from Grade 12, passing the University’s Placement Test or the University’s Bridging Course with a minimum equivalent score as indicated above is required.*

Special Considerations:

1. Admission to the Doctor of Medicine Program in the College of Medicine and Health Sciences is limited to UAE nationals and children of Emirati mothers. This program admits students through a single admission cycle in fall semester only.
2. Admission to the Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine Program is primarily for UAE nationals and children of Emirati mothers. International students are admitted only if they have exceptional scholarships, demonstrated high level of academic achievement and after review and approval by the Dean of the College of Agriculture and Veterinary Medicine, to ensure alignment with the program’s goals and standards. This program admits students through a single admission cycle in fall semester only.

3. The children of UAE University faculty members and employees are admitted based on their academic achievements and in accordance with the admission policies and procedures.
4. A native English-speaking applicant who has completed high school in an English-medium school and in a country where English is the official language is exempted from the English admission requirement.
5. Students from non-MOE national curricula who have studied in the UAE are not required to prove English proficiency if they have studied an English curriculum and taken English AP or followed A-Level or IB curricula.
6. Students from non-MOE national curricula who have studied in a non-English medium school are required to prove English proficiency by passing internationally recognized standardized tests as determined by the university.
7. Students from non-MOE national curricula are required to prove their proficiency in the specialization specific requirements as determined by the university.
8. A student enrolled in an accredited higher education institution may apply for transfer to the University in accordance with relevant policies and procedures approved by the University.
9. Students admitted to the University may earn advanced standing credit for academic work during high school such as the Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), General Certificate of Education (GCE), or any other programs approved by the University.

Students Applying for a Second Undergraduate Degree:

1. Applicants seeking a second undergraduate bachelor's degree must submit a transcript from an accredited institution. The conditions stated in items (1) and (2) of the Direct University Admission Requirements under Article (1) do not apply for this type of application. The student must meet the admission requirements for the second degree.
2. An additional undergraduate degree from the same institution may be awarded upon completion of the requirements of the additional degree, which must include at least 30 credit hours that are distinctive to that particular program/major and not taken to meet requirements of the first degree. The student bears the cost associated with the second bachelor's degree.
3. An additional undergraduate degree, where the previous degree is from another institution, shall be treated as transfer credit for the 2nd bachelor's degree with a maximum of 50% of its credit hours. The student bears the cost associated with the second bachelor's degree.

Assignment of Scholarship Seats for International Students:

1. The university may grant full or partial scholarships in accordance with relevant procedures and Vice Chancellor's decrees. These scholarships apply to all colleges except the Doctor of Medicine program in the College of Medicine and Health Sciences.
2. Students might be awarded scholarships on a competitive basis based on their academic qualifications and shall be assigned provisionally to the Colleges in accordance with the instructional capacity available in each College.

Article (2)

The University's regulations, policies and procedures shall be applied for cases that are not addressed in this Decree.

Article (3)

The Units/Departments concerned shall put this Decree into effect, each within its jurisdiction. This Decree shall supersede any previous relevant decrees.