# Most Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) about Studying at Yarmouk University

### What are the advantages of studying at Yarmouk University?

Yarmouk University (YU) is distinguished as the second oldest and largest state university in Jordan, and it is considered one of the prestigious Jordanian universities. It was established by a royal decree in 1976. It is located within the city of Irbid, north of the Jordanian capital city, Amman, which facilitates access to all the services that the student and his family need. There are 16 faculties in YU, two deanships, nine scientific centers, and five scientific chairs. It offers various academic programs in various degrees; 65 bachelor's programs, 67 masters' programs, 16 PhD programs, and three higher diploma programs. The university includes about 40,000 students from 45 different nationalities, 1,100 faculty members who are graduates of the most prestigious international universities, and 1,400 administrative staff. Since its inception, YU has graduated more than 210,000 students. Inside YU, there is the largest library in Jordan, three museums, sports and commercial complexes, and many sports, cultural and artistic activities, art exhibitions and musical performances are held in it.

### What are the academic programs offered by Yarmouk University, and what are their tuition fees?

There are 151 academic programs at Yarmouk University; <u>65 bachelor's programs</u>, <u>67 masters' programs</u>, <u>16 PhD programs</u>, and three higher diploma programs. For more information about the different programs and their tuition fees, please visit the <u>Admission and Registration Department</u> (for bachelor's programs), and the <u>Deanship of Scientific Research and Graduate Studies</u> (for master's and doctoral programs).

## Are there electronic applications to apply directly to study at Yarmouk University?

Yes, you can submit an online application for all parallel and international programs' students (outside of Unified Admission Unit) through the following links:

- Bachelor's degree: https://talabat.yu.edu.jo
- Postgraduate studies (Master's and PhD): https://olia.yu.edu.jo
- Diploma: https://diplom.yu.edu.jo

### Where is Yarmouk University located in international rankings and ratings?

In 2023, Yarmouk University obtained a 5-star rating in the QS-Stars evaluation from the British QS Foundation, as it achieved a 5-star rating in the axes: teaching environment, job reputation, academic development, facilities and support services, culture and arts, and inclusiveness in services for people with needs own.

- Yarmouk University advanced 200 ranks in the QS World University Rankings in the 2024 edition, to become ranked 1001-1200.
- Information systems and computer sciences subject was ranked 551-600 according to the QS classification of subjects at the level of international universities, and archeology was ranked 201-240 in the same ranking.
- Computer Sciences subject is ranked 601-800, Arts and Humanities is ranked 601+, Engineering is ranked 801-1000, Business is ranked 801+, Social Sciences is ranked 801+, and Physical Sciences is ranked 1000+, according to the Times Higher Education classification of subjects at the level of international universities.
- Yarmouk University was ranked 351-400 in the 2023 Times Ranking of Asian Universities, advanced 50 places compared to 2022.
- Yarmouk University was ranked 301-350 in the 2023 Times Ranking of Emerging Universities, advancing 50 places compared to 2022.

### What are the international accreditations obtained by Yarmouk University?

- Faculty of Tourism TedQal UNWTO International Accreditation
- Some bachelor programs of Hijjawi Faculty for Engineering Technology Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET)
- Some bachelor programs of the Faculty of Information Technology and Computer Science -Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET)
- Some bachelor programs of Faculty of Science Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET)
- Faculty of Pharmacy Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE)
- Faculty of Medicine World Federation for Medical Education (WFME)
- Faculty of Business Membership of Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (AACSB)

## What are the advantages of living in the city of Irbid, in which Yarmouk University is located?

Irbid is an ancient university city, which the ancient Greeks called "Arabella" in relation to its fertile lands, green plains, and mild climate. It is the second largest city in terms of population in Jordan, with about 2 million people. It is located about 70 km north of the capital city, Amman, and about 20 km south of the Syrian borders. There are beautiful archaeological sites close by, the most important of which is the city of Umm Qais, which overlooks the Yarmouk River, the Golan Heights and Lake Tiberias. It has many restaurants, entertainment venues, and commercial and industrial centers, such as El-Hassan Sports City, which is located next to Yarmouk University. It also includes many public and private universities, most notably Yarmouk University. For more information about touristic places in Jordan, please visit Jordan Tourism Board website: <a href="http://ar.visitjordan.com/">http://ar.visitjordan.com/</a>

#### What accommodations and hotels are located in and around Yarmouk University?

International female students can use university housing on the campus of YU, which costs 15 JDs per night (or 250 JDs per month), as the Deanship of Student Affairs - Office No. (110) implements the university's philosophy related to securing suitable housing for female students coming from outside the city of Irbid. This residence, called (Daat al-Nitaqayn), is about (100) meters away from the northern gate of the university, and all the necessary amenities and services are provided in it. There are also many student residences and hotels in the vicinity of the university, which you can walk to. The cost per night in hotels ranges from 30 - 50 JDs (42 - 70 US Dollars), such as the Seven Days Hotel, Sidra Hotel, Irbid Plaza, and Sara Crown Hotel.

## What activities can I do at Yarmouk University?

- 1. Visiting the university library: <u>Al-Hussein Bin Talal Library</u>, which is one of the largest libraries in the Arab world in terms of its area and the number of references and scientific periodicals.
- 2. Visiting museums: There are three museums on campus: <u>Jordanian Heritage Museum</u>, the <u>Natural History Museum</u>, and the Money Museum.
- 3. Various activities in the <u>Deanship of Student Affairs</u>, such as <u>sports</u>, <u>cultural and artistic</u> activities, art exhibitions and musical performances.

#### Is there health insurance for students?

Yes, the <u>Insurance Department</u> at the Student Services Department/Deanship of Student Affairs provides health insurance services. Subscription in health insurance is obligatory for all undergraduate students enrolled in the university, with the exception of evening studies, diploma and postgraduate students who work if they prove that they are covered by health insurance at the authorities in which they work.

Treatment includes clinics, centers and hospitals of the Ministry of Health, Jordanian university hospitals, Royal Medical Services, contracted private sector hospitals and private sector clinics.

### Is there a university health center?

YU has a <u>health center</u> within the university, which aims to provide free health services to the university community of students, members of the teaching and administrative staff, and their families.

#### Is there an entity at Yarmouk University that supports students with special needs?

Yes, the Deanship of Student Affairs has a <u>special department for the care of students with special needs</u>. The department assists them in admission and registration and provides many aids, <u>services and academic counseling</u> for them. The university provides a <u>computer laboratory</u> for students with visual impairments, which contains special devices and Braille printers, and is supervised by specialists. It also provides female and male translators to translate <u>sign language</u> for its students and visitors who suffer from hearing impairment.

### Is there an entity to follow up international students at Yarmouk University?

Yes, there is a Department for International Students in the Deanship of Student Affairs, which provides many free services and activities. For more information and inquiries, please contact:

Department of International Students
Mr. Saed Essam Al-Azzam

Tel: 0096227211111 Ext: 2444 Email: Saed.alazzam@yu.edu.jo Website: https://dsa.yu.edu.jo/

### Can I know who are the faculty members in my academic program?

Yes, you can access the <u>faculty members' database</u> to get acquainted with all the faculty members at the university and learn about their academic qualifications and CVs.

#### How do I know the rules and regulations at the university?

You can view all regulations and laws related to students by visiting the website of the <u>Department of Legal Affairs</u> of the University, as well as the most important rules and decisions related to the legal affairs of studying at YU. You can also submit <u>suggestions or complaints</u> if you have any questions or encounter any difficulties during your study. Please read the <u>student guide</u>, which contains very important information that will help you during your studies at Yarmouk University.

## Is there an e-learning website at the university?

Yes, upon admission to the university, you are entitled to access the <u>e-learning website</u> dedicated to all the courses you will study at the university to communicate with your teachers and classmates. You can approach the <u>e-learning center</u> for more information and <u>instructional videos</u>.

# What is the university's geographical location that I can track via GPS?

- Through the geographical location, you can access the YU location via the GPS feature.
- You can use the university's maps on the main website of the university.
- You can navigate the university's units through the <u>university's electronic map</u>, in addition to the university's map for students with special needs.

#### What is the main airport in Jordan?

The main airport in Jordan is <u>Amman Queen Alia International Airport</u>, located south of the Jordanian capital city, Amman. It is an hour and a half away from YU by car; taxis, car rental companies, and private cars are available to transport travelers for an amount not exceeding 50 JDs (70 US Dollars).

#### Do I need a visa to enter Jordan?

Yes, you are required to have a passport and a visa. Jordan issues visas to non-Jordanians upon their arrival at <u>Queen Alia International Airport</u>. The cost of the visa is 40 JDs (57 US Dollars) for a single entry with a validity of one month. International students are advised to take a visa in advance through the <u>Jordanian consulates</u> in their countries.

### How do I get from Queen Alia Airport to Irbid?

There are 3 ways to get from <u>Queen Alia International Airport</u> to Irbid:

- By taxis (airport taxi): available at the airport entrance at a cost of 50 JDs (70 US Dollars).
- Public transportation (buses): Take a bus from the airport to Tabarbour Bus Station (40 minutes), costing 5 JDs (7 US Dollars), then another bus (Jet or Hijazi) from Tabarbour Bus Station to Irbid (1.5 hours), costing 5 JDs (7 US Dollars).
- Car rental companies: Available inside the airport, at a daily rental price of 50 dinars (\$70).

## Where can I exchange cash?

You can exchange cash at the airport or through <u>many exchange shops</u> near YU, which are distributed in all areas of the city of Irbid. There is also Cairo Amman Bank inside the campus of YU, which can provide this service.