



Instructions for Accrediting Joint Programs

Article (1):

These instructions are called (Instructions for Accrediting Joint Programs) issued pursuant to the Commission's Council Resolution No. (305/14/2021), dated 14/4/2021, based on paragraphs (a, o) of Article (7) of the Law of Accreditation and Quality Assurance for Higher Education Institutions No. (20) of 2007 and its amendments.

Article (2):

The following words, wherever mentioned in these instructions, shall have the meanings assigned to them below, unless the context indicates otherwise:

The Commission: The Accreditation and Quality Assurance Commission for Higher Education Institutions.

The Council: The Commission's Council.

The President: The President of the Council.

Educational Institution: Official or private higher education institutions, such as universities, university colleges, or intermediate university colleges.

General absorptive capacity: The maximum number of students specified for the educational institution by the Council.

Specific absorptive capacity: The maximum number of students specified for the specialty by the Council.

Joint Program: The program in which more than one educational institution participates and results in obtaining an academic degree.

Article (3): Terms of Accrediting Joint Programs

The following is required for approving special accreditation of the joint program:

- A. The non-Jordanian educational institution shall be recognized by the Higher Education Council.
- B. The approval of the Higher Education Council on the joint program.



- C. The approval of the Higher Education Council on the agreement concluded between the joint educational institutions to implement the joint program.

Article (4): Specific absorptive capacity

- A. The Council shall determine the capacity of each joint program in accordance with the instructions applicable in the Commission.
- B. Jordanian educational institutions participating in implementing the joint program shall abide by the general absorptive capacity specified by the Council.
- C. Jordanian educational institutions that obtain a joint program license from the Higher Education Council shall annually provide the Commission with the names of students enrolled in the joint program.

Article (5): Faculty members

Educational institutions participating in the joint program shall provide the needed faculty members with specific academic ranks in accordance with the Commission's instructions, provided that the percentage of non-Jordanian faculty members shall range between 25% - 50%. They shall also provide the Commission with evidence of residing the faculty members in the Kingdom of Jordan during the semester.

Article (6): Joint Programs Licensing

Educational institutions that have a joint program license from the Higher Education Council shall abide by all resolutions related to joint programs issued by the Council and the Higher Education Council.

Article (7): Financial allowances

Educational institutions that obtain a joint program license from the Higher Education Council shall pay the financial allowances resulting from approving and monitoring the joint program in accordance with the applicable instructions of the Commission.



Article (8):

The non-Jordanian educational institution (which has a license to implement a joint program with a Jordanian educational institution) shall meet all conditions for accrediting the programs applicable in the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan when it aims to implement the program outside the Kingdom of Jordan. The institution shall also bear all financial expenses related to travel, accommodation, committee rewards, visas, and accreditation allowances, provided that (25% - 50%) of Jordanian faculty members contribute to implementing this program.

Article (9):

The educational institution, when submitting a request for joint program accreditation, shall:

1. Effectively apply full remote e-learning, in its two types, synchronous and asynchronous, along with its components and models in academic courses, in accordance with the resolutions and legislation in force.
2. Apply blended learning in the form of face-to-face and remote online learning along with its components and models in academic courses, in accordance with the resolutions and legislation in force.

Article (10):

The joint program shall adopt the same study plans followed and approved in the Jordanian educational institutions that participate in the program, but the other party may adjust the study plan for no more than (33) credit hours. This may be applied for Bachelor's programs only.

Article (11):

Admission rules applicable in Jordanian educational institutions that participating in the program shall be applied to students admitted in the joint program in terms of specialties, high school stream, and the minimum average.

Article (12):

The joint program and students admitted in it are subject to the resolutions issued by the Higher Education Council and the Commission's Council, and all resolutions issued later are binding on the educational institution that participates in the program.



Article (13):

The certificate shall be issued by the educational institutions participating in the joint program, so that it is considered a joint certificate. It shall also have the logo of each educational institution.

General Provisions

Article (14):

The request submitted for special accreditation or for raising the general or specific absorptive capacity of any educational institution shall not be considered if the institution has penalties or financial penalties issued by the Council. In the event of repeating such violations, such requests shall not be considered until after passing at least one semester from the date of the violations' elimination.

Article (15):

The Council shall decide on other matters with no articles related to them in these instructions.

Article (16):

These instructions supersede any previous texts or resolutions issued by the Council that contradict them.

Article (17):

These amended instructions were issued pursuant to Council's Resolution No. (305/14/2021), dated 14/4/2021, and are effective from the date of their approval.