

6.b. Master Admissions

Subject	Students	Effective From	Sep - 2011
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Title of The Policy	Master Admissions	Next Review	Dec - 2025
Responsible Entity	Colleges Councils, Admission and Registration Unit	Policy Pages	2
Definitions	University: Al Ain University. Master's degree: graduate degree after bachelor's degree. Academic program: specialties offered by each college. Student ID: The student's official University number. It indicates the academic year and semester when the student joined the University. The last four digits indicate the student's unique serial number at AAU. Study plan: A group of compulsory and elective courses that a student has to successfully complete in order to obtain a degree in his/her major.		
Purpose	Accepting students according to admission criteria guidelines recommended by the Ministry of Education in the United Arab Emirates.		
Scope	This policy applies to all graduate programs at AAU (Master or Professional Diploma in Teaching).		
Statement	This policy defines the criteria for admitting students in graduate programs, according to the guidelines recommended by the UAE Ministry of Education for each program. Thus, if these criteria are achieved by the students, the "Admission and Registration Unit" will accept the applicant after ensuring that all the required documents are available and ensure the achievement of all the program's standards the student who wants to join.		
Procedures	• Applicants willing to enroll in the graduate program should review and submit the required document to the Admission and Registration Unit. • The admission unit reviews the submitted documents to ensure fulfilling the admission criterion for the related program. • After making sure of fulfilling the criteria for admission to the program, the applicant should fill the admission file accompanied with all the required documents and attested academic qualifications. • Handle the university admission file to admission staff. • Submit student file to the program director for any other requirements (such as interviews) prior to decision. • Determining the type of admission whether a direct admission to the program or conditional acceptance based on the program requirements. • After verifying that all data and documents are reviewed and available, the admission file is given a "request number". • The student will review the finance unit to pay fees for enrollment by using "request number".		

	Confirming the enrollment of admitted students at the university after the acceptance of admission request and giving them an AAU ID number and study plan for the program they joined.
Recent Changes	October 2024: This policy has been revised & updated as per the CAA ERT requirements (Renewal-M.Sc. in Pharmaceutical Sciences). February 2025: This policy has been revised & updated as per AAU periodic review

Al Ain University- Postgraduate Admission Criteria (Spring 2025 & Fall 2025)

#	Program	Medium of Instruction	Proficiency Subjects	Proficiency English	Additional Information
1	Master of Business Administration	English	A Bachelor's degree in Business or an equivalent qualification, approved by the UAE-MoHESR.	A valid English Language Proficiency Certificate with a minimum score of 5 in IELTS, 500 in TOEFL, or an equivalent.	1. Applicants whose Bachelor's degree does not align with the required specialization must complete up to 3 remedial courses (3 CR.H. each), except the MBA program (4 remedial courses required), determined by the department/college on a case-by-case basis based on the applicant's prior degree. These remedial courses are taken outside the curriculum and do not contribute to the cumulative GPA. Specialized courses cannot be taken concurrently with remedial courses. If the applicant has already completed (or holds an equivalent to) any of the remedial courses at the Bachelor's level, they will be exempt from that course. Each exemption allows the applicant to enroll in a specialized course from the designated postgraduate program, which can be completed alongside the remaining remedial courses (up to three). 2. Applicants who do not meet the required English proficiency score must enroll in a remedial English course (3 CR.H., pass/fail), which is taken outside the academic plan and does not contribute to the cumulative GPA. 3. Applicants whose native language is English or who have completed a Bachelor's degree with English as the medium of instruction are exempt from the English proficiency requirement.
2	Master of Science in Clinical Pharmacy	English	A Bachelor's degree in Pharmacy or an equivalent qualification, approved by the UAE-MoHESR.		
3	Master of Science in Pharmaceutical Sciences	English	A Bachelor's degree in Pharmacy or an equivalent qualification, approved by the UAE-MoHESR.		
4	Master of Criminal Science	Arabic & English	A Bachelor's degree in Law or an equivalent qualification, approved by the UAE- MoHESR.	A valid English Language Proficiency Certificate with a minimum score of 4 in IELTS, 400 in TOEFL, or an equivalent.	
5	Master of Private Law	Arabic & English			
6	Master of Public Law	Arabic & English			
7	Master of Arts in Applied Sociology	Arabic & English	A Bachelor's degree in Applied Sociology or an equivalent qualification, approved by the UAE-MoHESR.		
8	Master of Arts in Digital Media and Public Relations	Arabic & English	A Bachelor's degree in Digital Media and Public Relations or an equivalent qualification, approved by the UAE-MoHESR.		
9	Master of Education in Arabic Language Curricula and Instruction	Arabic	A Bachelor's degree in Arabic Language or an equivalent qualification, approved by the UAE-MoHESR.	None	
10	Master of Education in Islamic Education Curricula and Instruction	Arabic	A Bachelor's degree in Islamic Education or an equivalent qualification, approved by the UAE-MoHESR.	None	
11	Postgraduate Professional Diploma in Teaching	Arabic or English	A Bachelor's degree or an equivalent qualification, approved by the UAE- MoHESR.	None	