Admission of Students to the Government Universities of the Kurdistan Region

Academic Year (2024–2025)

Right of admission and submission of the form

1. Any student who submits the admission form and meets the conditions is admitted, because admission is based on several scientific and fair criteria, namely competition on the basis of the final grade among all students.
2. Admission to departments is through central admission (*al-qabul al-markazi*) and by calculation under the credit system, and departments are implemented for all colleges except the **(Medical Group)**. A student has the right to admission at only one place in the (government) universities.
3. All graduates of the preparatory (twelfth) class of the academic year (2023–2024), in both rounds, may participate in one competition process.
4. A student does not have the right to be a student in a (government) university or institute and in a (non-government / private) university or institute at the same time. If a student is admitted to a (government) university or institute and at the same time to a (non-government / private) university or institute, he/she must decide within (10) days of the announcement of central admission and request the withdrawal of his/her file and the cancellation of his/her name from either the (government) university or institute or the (non-government / private) one; otherwise he/she will be held legally accountable.
5. A student who submitted an admission form in previous years, was admitted to one of the colleges or institutes of the Region, and whether or not he/she continued that study, does not have the right to submit an application for admission again to (Zankoline) *[the central online admission system]* for admission to the (general/public) course. This also applies to those admitted to the (parallel and evening) courses.
6. The allocation of a study course for pre-university study (foundation year) for graduates of the academic year (2024–2025) applies to all systems of study.
7. The ordering and choice of options (*ikhtiyarat*) is at the student's own wish and by his/her own decision; the choices he/she makes for admission are the main criterion in determining the department of admission, provided that no fewer than (50) options are chosen. Preferences from previous years are not carried over; this condition applies to graduates who submit an application for admission to the (parallel and evening) system, and it is necessary that each student observe the general and special conditions of admission and that he/she choose only that study and department which corresponds to his/her own wish, preference and readiness.
8. If a student submits the form and his/her name does not appear in any college or institute, either because of a low final grade or because of an unsuitable distribution of choices, then central admission is reopened for those students for the remaining seats of study in the universities, which are announced, and the student is treated according to the lowest admitted grade.
9. Those students who, because of a low final grade, are not admitted to any college or institute have the right to sit the final examination again the following year and apply again; this right is granted only for one year, i.e. the (scientific and literary) branches have only two years of the right to apply, and the second year is only for those graduates who have not previously been admitted to any (government or non-government / private) university or institute inside or outside the Region.

General conditions of admission

A student admitted to the universities and institutes must meet the following conditions:

1. Must hold Iraqi nationality, and for those students who are not Iraqi, residence in the Region is required.
2. Must be a graduate of the preparatory schools of the Ministry of Education of the Kurdistan Region, and his/her certificate must be endorsed by the General Directorate of Education of the governorate.
3. All students who are residents of other parts of Kurdistan and who completed their preparatory schooling in the Kurdistan Region shall study on the general (public) course free of charge.
4. With regard to the colleges of the disputed areas of Kurdistan, a special share is allocated for the admission of the people of those areas.
5. Must pass the medical examination according to the special conditions set for each field of study.
6. The applicant's age must not exceed (30) years for study in the colleges and departments of (Physical Education and Sports). This age limit does not apply to a student whose final preparatory grade average is (**80%**) or above, and this condition also applies to the (vocational/professional) colleges and departments other than (Physical Education and Sports).

7. Graduates of Kurdish schooling in the areas of Kurdistan outside the Region shall submit their application through (Zankoline) and, after admission, submit the form at the Ministry's office in Kirkuk.
8. With regard to the admission of students of international schools in the Kurdistan Region, this is done in accordance with the Instruction of the Kurdistan Regional Government / Presidency of the Council of Ministers No. (11961) dated (17/8/2022).
9. If the health condition of a student is not suitable for the department to which he/she has been admitted, on the basis of a medical report he/she is returned to the Directorate of Central Admission for redistribution and admission to a suitable place compatible with the student's health condition, according to the lowest admitted grade.
10. Filling vacant seats is done only through the system, not through a paper form.

Special conditions of admission

No.	Applying to	Condition
a	Medical colleges (Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy)	The final preparatory grade average must not be less than (**85%**).
b	All engineering departments in the universities and polytechnic universities	The final preparatory grade average must not be less than (**75%**), before calculation under the credit system. For the departments of (Architecture, Civil Engineering), the student must not be colour-blind ('*ama al-alwan*).
c	Department of (Aeronautical Engineering) at Salahaddin University	Study in this department follows the same conditions as the engineering departments of the universities; the student must hold Iraqi nationality; four semesters are studied at Salahaddin University (the first three semesters and the final semester) and four semesters (two years) must be studied at the Jordan Academy according to the conditions requested of the student. The tuition fee for study at the Jordan Academy is ($5,000) five thousand dollars per year, and the costs of visa, medical examination, health insurance, and the requirements of training and the EASA examination, which are ($2,000) two thousand dollars per year, as well as the costs of accommodation and travel, are borne by the student personally.
d	Nursing colleges at every university	Nursing study seats at every university are (25%) for the (male) sex and (75%) for the (female) sex, except for the (Midwifery) department at the Nursing College of Hawler Medical University, which is for the female sex only.
e	College of Health Sciences, departments of (Clinical Biochemistry, Medical Microbiology, Physiotherapy) at Hawler Medical University; College of Health Sciences, departments of (Medical Laboratory Sciences, Anaesthesia) at the University of Duhok; and departments of (Medical Microbiology, Clinical Psychology) at Koya University	Graduates of these departments are awarded the scientific title of physician *[medical-sciences graduate]* and their duration of study is four years.
f	Planning / University of Duhok	Admission is to the scientific department and study is in the English language. Study in this department is (5) five years, and the tuition fee is ($3,000) three thousand dollars for each year of study, with the fifth year free of charge. The student studies the first year as an English language course and from the second year begins scientific study, and the applicant's age must not exceed (30) years.
g	Biomedical / College of Engineering / University of Duhok	For this department the tuition fee is ($4,000) four thousand dollars for each year of study.
h	Department of (Medical Laboratory Sciences) at (Charmo, Raparin, Sulaimani Polytechnic) universities	Admission to this department is for graduates of the scientific branch, and study is in the English language. In this department a foundation year is allocated for the English language for those

		students whose level of English is low, and these students are identified by the university.
i	College of Law / Department of Law	The final preparatory grade average must not be less than (**70%**), before calculation under the credit system.
j	Department of (Social Work) / College of Arts at Salahaddin University	Study is in the English language. In this department a foundation year is allocated for the English language for those students whose level of English is low, and these students are identified by the university.
k	Department of (Business Administration) / College of Humanities at the University of Raparin	Study is in the English language. In this department a foundation year is allocated for the English language for those students whose level of English is low, and these students are identified by the university.