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Graduate Admissions Policy

AAU offers the following accredited graduate academic programs:

Graduate Programs

College	Programs	Credit Hours	Campus
Law	Master in Private Law	33	Abu Dhabi & Al Ain
	Master in Public Law	33	Abu Dhabi & Al Ain
Education	Professional Diploma in Teaching	24	Al Ain
	Master of Arts in TESOL	36	Al Ain
Business	Master of Business Administration (MBA) in:	33	Abu Dhabi & Al Ain
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MBA- General • MBA- Accounting • MBA- Finance and Banking • MBA- Marketing • MBA – Human Resources Management • MBA- Management Information Systems 		

Graduate Programs Admissions

Master of Law Admission Requirements

1. Unconditional Admission:

To be admitted into the Master in Law program, the applicant must have:

- A Bachelor degree in law or an equivalent obtained from a university accredited by the UAE.
- A CGPA of at least 3 out of 4, or an equivalent, on the Bachelor level.
- A valid English Language Proficiency score of at least (450) in TOEFL ITP, (4.5 band) in Academic IELTS, or equivalent.

2. Conditional Admission

- A student with a CGPA between 2.5 and 2.99 may be granted conditional admission provided he/she:
 - takes a maximum of six credit hours in the first semester of study
 - must achieve an overall grade point average of 3 on a scale of 4, or its established equivalent, in the first semester studied for the program.
- A student whose undergraduate degree is in Shari'a and Law, or in Police and Legal Sciences need to have studied at least 65% of the requirements in Law courses. If not, the student will need to take pre-Master courses of up to 12 credit hours during the first year of enrolment.

3. Transfer Students

Transfer from another Program at AAU

Course work completed at another masters program at AAU may be accepted with the following conditions:

- The transfer student must meet the admission requirements of the program he/she wishes to transfer to.
- The maximum approved transfer credits toward a Masters program must not exceed **12** credits.

Transfer from another University

Course work completed at another accredited University may be accepted with the following conditions:

- The transfer student must meet the admission requirements of the program he/she wishes to transfer to.
- The maximum approved transfer credits toward a Masters program must not exceed **9** credits.

MA in TESOL Admission Requirements

To be admitted into the MA in TESOL program, the applicant must have:

1. A Bachelor degree, or its established equivalent, in English/Linguistics/English Language Teaching approved by the UAE Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research.
2. A CGPA of at least 3 out of 4, a rating of (very good), or an equivalent, on the Bachelor level
3. A valid English Language Proficiency score of at least (550) in TOEFL ITP, (79) in TOEFL iBT, (213) in TOEFL CBT, or (6 band) in Academic IELTS, with the following exception:
A native speaker of English who has completed his/her undergraduate education in an English medium institution in a country where English is the official language.
4. All applicants to the MA in TESOL program are required to sit for an interview with the program coordinator.
5. Prior to the interview, applicants are required to submit a written essay.

Professional Diploma in Teaching Admission Requirements

To be admitted into the Professional Diploma in Teaching program, the applicant must have:

- A BA, B.Sc., or its established equivalent, in a relevant discipline approved by the UAE Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research.
- A CGPA no less than 2.0 or a rating of (satisfactory).

MBA Admission Requirements

1. General Requirements

To be accepted in the MBA program, the applicant must have:

- A Bachelor degree or an equivalent obtained from a university accredited by the UAE.
- A Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 3.0 on a 4.0 point scale (or its established equivalent) in the applicant's Baccalaureate degree program.
- A TOEFL score of 550 on the Paper-Based, 213 on the Computer-Based, or 79 on the Internet-Based test, or the equivalent score on another standardized test approved by the Ministry of Higher Education & Scientific Research (MOHESR), (such as IELTS score of 6.0), is required of all students admitted to MBA program with the following exceptions:
 - A native speaker of English who has completed his/her undergraduate education in an English medium institution in a country where English is the official language.
 - A student admitted to and graduated from an English medium institution who can provide evidence of acquiring a minimum TOEFL score of 500 on the paper-Based test, or its equivalent on another standardized test approved by the MOHESR, upon admission to his/her undergraduate program.

2. Conditional Admission:

- A student with a recognized baccalaureate degree and a TOEFL score of 530 (197 CBT, 71 iBT) or its equivalent on another standardized test approved by the Commission may be admitted conditionally to the program if he/she meet the following requirements during the period of conditional admission or be subject to dismissal:
 - must achieve a TOEFL score of 550, or equivalent, by the end of the first semester;
 - may take a maximum of six credit hours in the first semester of study, not including intensive English courses;
 - must achieve an overall grade point average of 3 on a scale of 4, or its established equivalent, in the first nine credit hours of credit-bearing courses studied for the program.
- A student with a recognized Bachelor degree with a CGPA between 2.00 and 2.99 on a scale of 4, or its established equivalent, and who meets the English language competency requirements for general admission stated in part 3 above must meet the following requirements:
 - takes a maximum of nine credit hours in the first semester of study
 - must achieve an overall grade point average of 3 on a scale of 4, or its established equivalent, in the first nine credit hours of credit-bearing courses studied for the program.
 - the final decision will be based on an interview arranged by the Director of the MBA program.

3. Non-Business Graduates

In addition to all of the above mentioned requirements, non-business major students will be enrolled as pre-MBA students, where they must study some business courses. The Pre-MBA courses are provided to students (with non-business background) in a case by case basis. The student should study up to four undergraduate courses offered by the College of Business Administration based on the needs for each student as decided by the MBA Committee. A student can waive one or more of these courses if he/she has studied them before.

4. Transfer Students

Course work completed at another accredited University may be accepted in the MBA program with the following conditions:

- Credit towards the **MBA** degree must be at the postgraduate level and must have received grades of at least **B**.
- Credits to be transferred must relate to the content of the courses and/or be comparable to those offered at the University. Copies of catalog course descriptions or course syllabi are required to process requests for the transfer of credits.
- The maximum approved transfer credits toward an MBA program must not exceed **12** credits.

Admission of Audit Students

An individual may enroll at any of Master programs for non-degree study on either a full-time or part-time basis. Although such individuals are classified as non-matriculating, they are provided an opportunity for academic study with concentration in a particular area of interest:

- They are not entitled to earn a degree from the university without gaining admission to the Masters program.
- Non-degree students who take one or more than one course per semester, or who take courses for more than one semester, must also receive approval from the Director of the Masters program at the relevant college.

Admission of Visiting Students

Students from other universities may enroll as visiting graduate students at AAU's Master programs for credits to be transferred to their universities. To be admitted as a visiting graduate student, a student should submit a request and an official letter from the student's home university:

- A request for visiting student admission to the Master programs in question.
- An official letter from student's home university pointing out the courses that the student may register for in the program.

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