

The Hashemite University

Jordan

The University

The Hashemite University of Jordan is a comprehensive institution of higher education founded in 1992 by royal decree. All major fields of study are available on the main campus with approximately 15,000 students. The programs are increasing at HU at a rapid rate and please speak with the specific advisor about questions you may have.

www.hu.edu.jo

The City

While the university is technically located in Zarqa, 30 minutes by car from Amman, all OU students participating in an exchange here would most likely live in Amman. Amman is the capital city of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, a city of 2.5 million inhabitants. Occupied for thousands of years, Amman became the capital and home to the royal family of Jordan upon the founding the country after World War I. Much of Amman's tourism is focused in the older downtown area, which is centered on the old Souk. Much remains of its old character. For those seeking the atmosphere of the Old City, it is best to venture to the district east of Jabal. There, in the bustle of daily life, you can explore the capital's greatest souqs, fine museums, ancient constructions, monuments, and cultural sites. Amman is also home to some of the grandest mosques in the Middle East, the newest of these in the enormous King Abdullah I Mosque, built between 1982 and 1989. It is capped by a magnificent blue mosaic dome beneath which 3,000 Muslims may offer prayer.

www.kinghussein.gov.jo/tourism1.html

About the Program

Arabic is the language of instruction and any OU student participating in a semester or year program must have a very good grasp of Arabic in order to apply. The University of Oklahoma offers a summer program with coursework in Arabic-as-a-second-language, however this coursework is only offered during the summer and not throughout the year.

Academic Calendar

Fall semester: September –January

Spring semester: January –June

Semester dates vary depending on the College (Faculty)

Am I eligible for this program?

You must have a 2.5 Combined Retained GPA. GPA may be one factor used in ranking students for placement. You must have a minimum of six semesters of college-level Arabic in order to participate for the semester program.

What about credit?

Grades received on reciprocal exchange study abroad programs through the University of Oklahoma are posted by the Office of Admissions as Satisfactory (S) or Unsatisfactory (U) on the OU permanent record. These grades are not factored into the participant's Grade Point Average. Because each student is enrolled in 12 credits per semester while abroad, participants are expected to enroll in an equivalent number of credits at the host university. Academic systems around the world vary in what equals 12 OU credits. The decision about awarding credits is made in the Office of Admissions at OU.

Where would I live?

Students participating in the OU summer program in Jordan are housed at approved hotels in Amman. It can be assumed that students participating in a semester or year program with HU would be housed under similar circumstances.

How much does it cost?

Costs at OU: All students participating on semester or academic year reciprocal exchange programs are enrolled at OU for 12 credits each semester abroad. Tuition and fees are billed through and paid directly to OU at the appropriate resident or non-resident rate. Fees are charged at the Arts and Sciences College rate, even if the student's major is in a different college. All participants pay a \$10/credit hour study abroad fee.

Costs on site: All students participating on semester or academic year reciprocal exchange programs will be responsible for international airfare and cost of living in country. This can vary dramatically from country to country and should be discussed with your respective study abroad advisor. A Jordanian national insurance policy is strongly suggested for this program and can only be purchased on site.

How do I Apply?

Instructions for applying to any semester or academic year exchange program may be found in the "how to apply" section of our website.

For more information, please contact:

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