



جامعة الإمارات العربية المتحدة
United Arab Emirates University

UAEU



COLLEGE OF LAW

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WELCOME To
United Arab Emirates



A word cloud graphic centered around the text 'United Arab Emirates'. The words are arranged in a circular pattern, with 'University' being the largest and most prominent word, oriented vertically. Other words include 'Success', 'Quality', 'Innovation', 'Choice', 'Excel', 'Learning', 'Inspired', 'Get', 'Living', 'Excellence', 'Internship', 'National University', 'Goal', 'Leader', 'Learn', 'Graduate', 'Degree', 'Achieve', 'Research Intensive', 'Creativity', 'Flagship', 'Your Future', 'Career', 'High-Tech', 'Accredited', 'Achieve', 'Community', 'Mobile Learning', 'New Skills', 'Develop', 'Industry', and 'Knowledge'. The words are in various colors including red, blue, green, yellow, and grey.

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UAEU

Facts Sheet

50%

of students live
in residence

76%
female

24%
male students

13,540

Total number of
registered students for
2012 /2013

639
Faculty

98
Instructors

258
UFP Lecturers

173

Emirati National Faculty

56,895
Total number of graduates



9
Colleges

#1



Research University in the GCC

#2



in the Arab World

#9



in the Muslim World

#370



Globally

Established in 1976

80 hectares – Size of the campus

The National University

One of the top

50

universities founded in the past

50

years

36

Total number
of Patents
filed since
2007

8

Number of
Research Centers

869

Number of
Publications for
2012/ 2013

2

Olympic-sized
swimming pools

272

Total number
of student
activities for
2012/ 2013

38

Total number
of clubs & societies
on campus

480

Labs on
campus

Students from

55

countries
(incl. UAE)

Largest electronic resources in the Arab World

140,000 eBooks

38,000 eJournals

50 Databases

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DEAN’S MESSAGE

The College of Law works diligently to enhance its programs and extra-curricular activities to ensure students receive the highest standards of quality education. Our innovative curricula are designed to meet the needs of today’s marketplace and to prepare students to pursue graduate studies.

The college also assigns a great deal of importance to developing the professional skills of our students by expanding access to practical applications of the law. For instance, legal internships with international law firms provide an opportunity for law students to hone their skills. To this end, the College of Law has several memoranda of understanding with American, British, and Canadian law firms.

In addition to the Bachelor of Law degree, the college offers three Master’s programs and is currently working on other specialized degrees focusing towards a doctoral program.

Our distinguished faculty is composed of scholars who are renowned nationally and internationally for their academic excellence and contributions to the field. Equally important is the fact that they are also enthusiastic student-centered teachers and mentors who enjoy providing friendly, personal guidance to the students.

The College of Law regularly participates in international competitions such as the Philip Jessup International Law Moot Court in Washington, DC; the Monroe E. Price Media Law Moot Court in Oxford, England; and the Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot Court in Vienna, Austria.

I invite you to explore our website and encourage you to visit us. I trust that once you discover our state-of-the-art facilities, see our high-tech teaching technologies, meet our motivated students, accomplished faculty and dedicated and supportive staff, you’ll decide that UAEU is the place for you.



Dr. Mohamed Hassan Al Qasim
Dean, College of Law

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLEGE

The College of Law (COL) consists of three departments: the Department of Private Law, the Department of Public Law and the Department of Sharia and Islamic Studies. The college currently offers a Bachelor of Law at undergraduate level and three Master's programs: LLM of Public Law, LLM of Private Law and LLM of International Trade Law. It also offers a study plan that responds to the needs of the UAE community and aims to develop the UAE's human resources. The language of instruction is Arabic with a number of courses being taught in English.

All programs offered by the College of Law are recognized by the UAE Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research, however the college is working towards achieving international accreditation also.

The College of Law has two computer labs and two educational court rooms (Moot Courts), which are fully equipped with state-of-the-art technology and video conferencing facilities. The COL is a world-class, student-centered institution that develops, delivers and continually improves its programs to maintain international standards. Our graduates are employed in key leadership positions in government and industries serving the needs of the nation.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS



UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS:
Bachelor of Law

MASTER'S PROGRAMS:
Master of Public Law
Master of Private Law
Master of International Trade Law



"I never knew that studying law could be exciting and full of new experiences. In this college, you feel that you are a member of one big family which stimulates you to do your best."

Mohamed Rashid Al Shamsi,
Bachelor of Law



UNDERGRADUATE INFORMATION

ADMISSION CRITERIA

To be eligible for admission to United Arab Emirates University (UAEU), applicants must obtain a minimum of 75% on their Grade 12 Certificate. Applicants must also score 150 or above in the CEPA English exam and successfully pass the CEPA math placement test. A valid national identity card and a valid UAE passport are also required.

Interested candidates should use the common National Admissions and Placement Office (NAPO) application form to apply to UAEU. The form is available from secondary schools, the UAEU Admissions Office, or NAPO.

Success at UAEU requires proficiency in both Arabic and English. Students admitted to the university are placed either directly into the undergraduate degree program or into the University Foundation Program (UFP). The UFP is the bridge between high school and the degree programs offered at UAEU. Placement in an appropriate level of a UFP course will depend on the students' scores in the UFP Placement Exams. There are three levels of English, and two levels in each of the following three subjects: mathematics, computer technology and Arabic.

To be considered for direct admission to an undergraduate degree program, applicants must satisfy the following requirements:

- Proof of English language proficiency, which may take one of the following forms:

- A minimum TOEFL score of 500 or 61 IBT
- A minimum IELTS score of 5.0
- Pass a placement tests in mathematics (algebra and pre-calculus), computer technology and Arabic

** Please note that these are the minimum admission criteria, further details can be obtained from the Admissions Department.*

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

To obtain the Bachelor's degree in Law the student must complete 136 credit hours including a field internship (6 credit hours). According to UAEU by laws a student has to achieve a GPA of at least 2.0 for graduation within a period of approximately 4-5 years.

"I feel very fortunate and proud to be a student in the oldest law college in the UAE. The state-of-the-art campus, world-class facilities and elite professors are unmatched in the UAE."

Abdulhameid Abdulla Al-Ebri,
Bachelor of Law

INTERNSHIPS

UAEU has integrated mandatory internships for all students as part of their degree program. The internship is carried out over a one-semester period. Our Careers Unit places students in national and international private and government organizations for the period of their work placement. In addition to this, the COL has formed a number of partnerships with international law firms in the UAE, providing students with excellent internship opportunities both inside and outside the UAE. Internships add a significant real-world

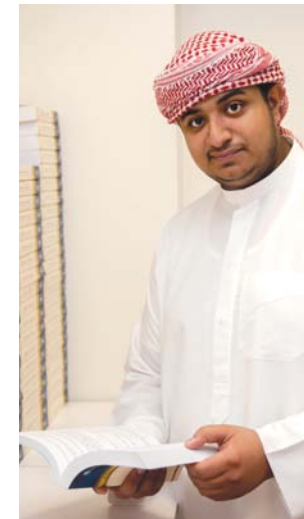
component to the students' education and provide students with the opportunity to earn academic credit, while gaining valuable work experience.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The College of Law degree and the practical skills obtained during the program enables our graduates to work in several public and private sector areas including the Ministry of Justice, law firms, private companies, government departments, in universities as law professors, or they can even establish their own private practice, amongst many other options.



UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC PROGRAMS



BACHELOR OF LAW

The Bachelor of Law program provides a comprehensive legal education. Students study law courses covering both public and private law, which provides them with the basic concepts and rules of law, especially UAE laws. It also covers how to apply the rules of law and to interpret legal provisions. Students also learn to make comparisons between legislative rules, jurisprudence and judicial trends.

The program also includes legal writing skills enabling students to write memorials and other related documents in the appropriate manner. Students also benefit from the practical teaching delivered through educational courts, which connects the theoretical and practical aspects of their education.



“The College of Law is keen to develop students' skills and encourages all students to participate in international law competitions. I am one of those lucky students who has been participating in international law competitions for the past two years. As a result, I have noticed a significant improvement in both my oral presentation and writing skills.”

Aida Al Farsi.
Bachelor of Law



GRADUATE INFORMATION

MASTER'S PROGRAMS

The College of Law offers three master programs:

LLM OF PUBLIC LAW

The Master of Public Law emphasizes laws related to a sovereign state such as criminal law, administrative law, international law and constitutional law.

LLM OF PRIVATE LAW

The Master of Private Law focuses on financial transactions between individuals, whether it be civil or commercial transactions. This program attracts law graduates who are looking to establish their career in trading companies, legal firms, economic establishments and in the judicial field.

LLM OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE LAW

The UAE has now become an important international trading center, attracting huge economic investment from all over the globe. The Master of International Trade Law is offered in English for jurists wishing to establish themselves in this field.



ADMISSION CRITERIA

To be accepted into a College of Law Master's program candidates must meet the following criteria:

- ▶ Hold a law degree from UAEU or another university recognized by the UAE Ministry of Higher Education & Scientific Research.
- ▶ A cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or equivalent, in all undergraduate work.
- ▶ Candidates should be proficient in the Arabic language.
- ▶ Candidates applying for the Master of Public Law or Master of Private Law must have an IELTS score of 4.0 or equivalent.
- ▶ Candidates applying for the Master of International Trade Law must have an IELTS score of 6.0, or equivalent since the program is taught in English. This test score must be less than two years old at the time of application, with the following exceptions:
 - A native speaker of English who has completed his/her undergraduate education in an English-medium institution and in a country where English is the official language; or
 - An applicant with an undergraduate degree 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, at the time of admission to his/her undergraduate program.

Under certain conditions admission into a Master's program may be granted if the GPA or the IELTS score is less than the minimum requirement. These requirements are subject to the general university criteria for admission to graduate programs and may be updated regularly.

** Please note that these admission requirements may be subject to change. Please refer to the UAEU website for further details.*

FEE STRUCTURE

The admission fee for both the Master of Public Law and Master of Private Law is as follows:

- ▶ AED 200 registration fees
- ▶ AED 1,600 per credit hour where the student pays for the hours he/she registers for each semester
- ▶ Total fee = AED 49,800

The admission fee for the Master of International Trade Law is as follows:

- ▶ AED 200 registration fees
- ▶ AED 4,000 per credit hour where the student pays for the hours he/she registers for each semester
- ▶ Total fee = AED 120,200

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students are required to successfully complete the credit hours for each program:

- ▶ Master of Public Law - 31 credit hours
- ▶ Master of Private Law - 31 credit hours
- ▶ Master of International Trade Law - 30 credit hours

The number of hours mentioned above includes 6 credit hours for the thesis. The thesis must be defended and the students must achieve a minimum GPA of 3.0 and a minimum degree (good) to be eligible for graduation.

PHD PROGRAM

The College of Law is currently in the process of finalizing a proposal for a PhD program. The program is now being reviewed by external reviewers in prestigious international law colleges and will commence once approval is received.

RESEARCH CAPABILITIES



The College of Law has a unit dedicated to research which is chaired by the Assistant Dean for Research Affairs and Graduate Studies. The college's leading experts conduct research into almost all areas of law. Their research areas of interest match the needs of wider society and faculty keep up to date with legal and legislative developments at both national and international levels. The college offers continuous opportunities for faculty to take part in international conferences and workshops and produce research papers.

The College of Law also holds an annual international conference along with three major symposia covering many aspects of research which provides students and faculty members with an opportunity to keep up to date with contemporary research approaches worldwide.



CONSULTANCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES

The College of Law maintains strong relationships with the UAE community and provides legal consultation to several public departments in the UAE government including areas related to the ministries of energy, justice, foreign affairs, and court departments. Faculty members also participate in academic partnerships with several institutes in the UAE, providing legal and academic consultation.

Furthermore, the College of Law offers public lectures on basic legal issues to the UAE community aimed at providing people from various disciplines with the basic legal knowledge which is necessary for their daily life. In the same vein, the college designs and offers specialized symposia and workshops providing specialized knowledge to certain sectors of the community, such as Islamic financing, the criminal field and many other areas of interest.

“Participating in international and local events such as contests, conferences, symposia and legal workshops has become much easier, thanks to the professors who prepared us with the necessary skills and knowledge.”

Mohamed Arhama Al-Shamsi,
Bachelor of Law

WHY CHOOSE UAEU?

1

Excellence

At UAEU we focus on the quality of the learning experience for each student. UAEU's "excellence agenda" involves every aspect of the university. Here you will find the finest faculty in the nation, the most advanced technology in the region and the most modern and attractive campus facilities to be found anywhere. Our unrelenting focus on excellence ensures that your degree is highly regarded, both nationally and internationally, and that you will leave the university fully equipped for professional and personal success.

2

International Recognition

Based upon our international reputation, the employability of our graduates, and our research productivity, UAEU continues to rank among the best of the world's 13,000 universities. QS, a London-based international ranking of the world's leading universities, rates UAEU as number one in the nation and number 370 in the world. QS also includes UAEU on its list of the top 50 world universities that have been founded within the past 50 years.

3

Employability of our Graduates

Since our programs have been designed in partnership with employers, our graduates are highly sought after by both private and government entities. Our academic programs include not just classroom theory, but also practical internships and research experiences. Our graduates consistently find that their hands-on experience provides them both with the practical skills that employers value and with the connections and relationships that are an important part of the career-building process.

4

A Supportive Learning Environment

UAEU is committed to providing the support to ensure that every student can be successful. Our support services include counseling, healthcare, IT support, disability support, career services, financial aid, international student services, alumni services, a student success center and a student council. Regardless of the obstacles that you encounter along the way, there is always a mentor, a counselor, or an advisor nearby to help. Each student is provided with an individual academic advisor to assist with the critical decisions and choices that you face along the road to academic and career success.

5

A Vibrant Living Environment

Our goal is not only to give students an excellent degree qualification but also to ensure that you have fun along the way. Our students come from more than 50 countries, so you will interact with and learn from people of diverse cultural backgrounds. The university offers a wealth of extra-curricular activities and life-enhancing experiences to enrich your university experience, and with more than 50 Clubs and Societies at UAEU, there is no shortage of opportunities to have fun outside of lectures and to make friends. UAEU's campus is a real community with multiple cafés and restaurants, retail and banking facilities, bright, modern campus residences, and exceptional athletic and recreational facilities.

6

A Magnificent New Campus

The new UAEU campus features the most modern architecture, zones for specialized research centers, cutting edge IT network infrastructure, classrooms and labs that feature the latest equipment and instructional technology to enhance student learning. There is also an expansive library offering vast physical and electronic resources, two world class health clubs equipped with latest fitness equipment, two Olympic sized swimming pools, as well as tennis, basketball, and badminton courts.

7

Cutting-Edge Research

The UAEU is the nation's premier research university. We not only transmit knowledge to our students, but through our colleges and research centers we help to create new knowledge, work on developing new treatments for cancer, produce new technology for addressing the world's energy needs and develop new techniques for increasing the global food supply. Each year our historians and archaeologists help to discover and assess historical artifacts concerning the accomplishments and culture of the people from this part of the world. As a UAEU student, you will have the opportunity to work side by side with internationally known research faculty on these exciting projects.

8

Community Outreach

As the UAE's national university, UAEU recognizes the responsibility of the university and our graduates to contribute to the wellbeing of the broader community. We encourage our students and staff to give back to the community through civic engagement, public service, and research. The university helps students connect with volunteer and community service organizations in the student's particular area of interest.

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Choice

No university in the nation provides as many academic choices as UAEU. The university offers 63 undergraduate and 67 graduate programs across a broad range of disciplines, including business, economics, education, engineering, food and agriculture, humanities, the social sciences, IT, law, medicine and health sciences, and the natural sciences. Many of our degree programs are unique to UAEU, and many of them are offered in unique combinations. Whatever your interests, talents, and goals, UAEU has a program to match.

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