Who We Are?

The Partners ...........

P1: The Hashemite University
Organization link: https://hu.edu.jo/

Hashemite University is a state-supported university that has been established in 1995 in the vicinity of Zarqa city to the East of the capital Amman with a total area of 8519 acres. It is oriented toward achieving an academic pioneering position and excellence in university teaching, scientific research, at both the national and regional levels, to serve society through its educational functions, and to participate in the advancement of knowledge.

The number of university students has expanded throughout the years to reach a total number of 29,803 students in 2017 attending 16 faculties with more than 225 laboratories in different colleges, all equipped with the latest technological equipment. Healthcare is made available to all students and is included in university fees. The Faculty of Medicine at the Hashemite University was established in 2006. The faculty admitted the first intake of 135 students in the academic year 2006/2007.

The faculty members offer diagnostic & therapeutic services at Prince Hamza Hospital in Amman. In addition, the faculty participates in different health councils & boards within the Kingdom, and in many local Arab & international medical conferences.

The Hashemite University's current administration, headed by Professor Fawaz Abdulhaq, has adopted a comprehensive strategy for environmental management, which is directed towards a green campus and mitigate climate change.

The university's environmental sustainability strategy is currently the leader in Jordan public- and private- sectors institutions (especially in photovoltaics). For example, the Hashemite University has implemented a 5 MWp photovoltaic (PV) renewable energy project that achieved 100% energy independence for the university.

The university, in collaboration with the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research, issues three international peer-reviewed scientific journals: Jordan Journal of Biological Sciences (JJBS), Jordan Journal of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering (JJMIE) and The Jordan Journal of Earth and Environmental Sciences (JJEES).

The Hashemite University is affiliated with the International Association of Universities, the Federation of the Universities of the Islamic World and the Association of Arab Universities.
P2: Jordan University of Science and Technology (JUST)
Organization Link: https://www.just.edu.jo/Pages/Default.aspx

Jordan University of Science and Technology (JUST) is a comprehensive, state-supported university located on the outskirts of Irbid, in northern Jordan, 70km north Amman, the capital city of Jordan. JUST was established in 1986 as an autonomous national institute of higher education with the main objective of producing outstanding professionals in specializations that match the needs of Jordan and the region.

Since its establishment, JUST has been at the forefront of higher learning in the Arab World. It also maintains a high reputation among the Middle Eastern universities due to its faculty and administrative staff, multi-disciplinary educational system and broad diversity of students. The university was described as the best scientific institution in the Kingdom by King Abdullah II during his last visit, and it was ranked as the top research university in the country, and amongst the top 50 universities in the Islamic World, according to a study carried out by the Statistical, Economic and Social Research and Training Centre for Islamic Countries (SESRIC). JUST is considered today as one of the region's leading universities in teaching and research. The number of students has increased significantly since the university’s establishment. Today JUST has more than 800 full-time faculty members, with 20,000 undergraduate and 1800 graduate students, in contrast to 2,300 students in the 1986/1987 academic year. JUST comprises more than 5,000 international students of 60 nationalities, rendering it the most culturally-diverse university in Jordan.

The university provides a wide range of advanced degree programs at the undergraduate and graduate levels, many of them are not offered by any other Jordanian university. At the present time, the university comprises 12 faculties (Medicine, Engineering, Science & Arts, Pharmacy, Dentistry, Agriculture, Veterinary Medicine, Architecture, Information Technology, Applied Sciences, Nursing and Graduate Studies) and 55 departments offering 42 undergraduate programs and 95 postgraduate programs. These programs are constantly reviewed to improve their quality and to ensure that the students are always updated with the latest scientific skills and knowledge. All departments, faculties and service units are working together to ensure that the education we offer is both supportive and rewarding.

In 2011, Jordan University of Science & Technology (JUST) has begun to make its mark in the QS World University Rankings which, in return, placed JUST at 601+ according to the QS World University Ranking System. JUST has been ranked 301 according to the following indicators: academic reputation, reviews by recruiters who hire JUST graduates, faculty student ratio, citations of published research. In addition, the university was ranked 71 in recruiting top quality international students.

P3: KU Leuven (Academic Centre of General Practice)
KU Leuven is an autonomous university founded in 1425. From its Christian view of the world and the human, KU Leuven endeavors to be a place for open discussion of social, philosophical and ethical issues and a critical center of reflection in and for the Catholic community. KU Leuven offers its students an academic education based on high-level research, with the aim of preparing them to assume their social responsibilities. KU Leuven is a research-intensive, internationally oriented university that carries out fundamental and applied research. It is strongly inter- and multidisciplinary in focus and strives for international excellence. KU Leuven works together actively with its research partners at home and abroad. KU Leuven encourages personal initiative and critical reflection in a culture of idea exchange, cooperation, solidarity and academic freedom. It pursues a proactive diversity policy for students and staff. KU Leuven aims to actively participate in public and cultural debate and in the advancement of a knowledge-based society. It puts its expertise to the service of society, with particular consideration for its most vulnerable members. From a basis of social responsibility and scientific expertise, KU Leuven provides high-quality, comprehensive health care, including tertiary care, in its University Hospitals. It strives toward optimum accessibility and respect for all patients. KU Leuven carries out its academic activities at various campuses, research parks and hospital facilities in cooperation with the members of the KU Leuven Association and with hospital partners. KU Leuven is dedicated to education and research in nearly all fields. Its fifteen faculties offer education, while research activities are organized by departments and research groups. These faculties and departments are clustered into three groups: Humanities and Social Sciences; Science, Engineering and Technology (SET); and Biomedical Sciences. Each of these groups has a doctoral school for its doctoral training programmes. KU Leuven boasts 14 campuses, spread across 10 cities in Flanders. The Academic Center for General Practice has a long research tradition in primary care, especially with general practitioners. The center focuses on research, education, lifelong learning and community services.

P4: Radboud University Medical Center (RU)
Organization Link: https://www.ru.nl/english/education/masters-programmes/internationalmasters-students/radboudumc/medical-sciences/

Radboud University medical center is a large university hospital with around 10,000 employees. The hospital has affiliations for training and research with many hospitals in the area amongst which are: CWZ hospital, Nijmegen; Jeroen Bosch hospital, den Bosch; Rijnstate hospital, Arnhem.

The medical center has a long, distinguished history in medical education, especially amongst its international programmes. The university has worked with many international institutions.
throughout its history to improve the quality of healthcare and health education throughout the world.

The main activities of the hospital are patient care, research, and education. Within the hospital is the Department of Primary and Community Care, which organizes the following areas: research, education for students and specialty training programs for doctors in General Practice, elderly care, occupational health, addiction medicine and insurance health.

The specialty program for GP training is the largest program within this department, having over 300 trainees in the program. The GP training curriculum is competency-based, organized into themes relevant for general practice. The trainees work four days a week in GP practices affiliated with the department. The trainees come one day each week to the university for extra supervision and training. During these days, the trainees are divided into small groups under the guidance of a GP mentor and a psychologist. We focus much of our attention to the development of coaching and teaching competencies of our staff and the trainers at the workplace. The trainers of the trainees receive regular training (eight days each year) from the specialty training department.

P5: Queen Mary University of London (QMUL)
Organization Link: [https://www.qmul.ac.uk/](https://www.qmul.ac.uk/)

The Community Based Medical Education Unit (CBME) is part of the Centre for Medical Education, which in turn is part of the Institute of Health Sciences Education at Queen Mary University of London (QMUL).

CBME is responsible for designing and delivering all the family medicine and community placements for 1,500 medical students and 65 physician associate students in the medical school. This totals nearly 15% of the medical programme (above the national average). The programme is licensed by the UK General Medical Council to provide professional qualifications. Unit staff have many years of overseas experience, including in Palestine, where they have helped to develop primary care systems.

In addition, CBME collaborates with many local family medicine postgraduate training and primary care health services workforce organisations.
CBME has expertise in family medicine curriculum design, recruitment, and training of family medicine supervisors as well as setting standards, quality monitoring and improvement of community-based clinical placements.

QMUL is a Russell Group University based in an area of high social deprivation and ethnic diversity. The medical course is very highly rated in a number of national and international league tables.

**P6: University of Jordan (UJ)**

http://ju.edu.jo/home.aspx

The University of Jordan (UJ) was established in 1962. UJ offers 63 international programs at the undergraduate level, and 132 international programs at the graduate level, 32 doctoral programs, and 87 master programs.

The Family Medicine program at the University of Jordan (UJ)- School of Medicine, is based on Family Medicine clinics at Jordan University Hospital. We have 6 walk-in clinics serving patients +13 years-old, and two specialties, appointment-only clinics covering geriatric care and women-and-child’s health. All these clinics are run entirely by qualified Family medicine consultants, along with family medicine residents. The services offered by these family medicine clinics include acute care, preventive care and health promotion, in addition to chronic disease management.

In our academic part we provide one-month blocks of training for undergraduate students on their fifth year of medicine at the UJ. Their rotation is includes daily patient encounters, observed consultations, case presentations and daily seminars and discussions.

Another higher level of training is also provided to family medicine residents, who are expected to sit the Jordanian Board exam at the end of the 4-year program along with the Higher Specialisation degree they get from the UJ. Family medicine residency training is a structured one, as per the regulations of the Jordanian Medical Council. It encompasses daily clinical encounters, observed consultations with the attending doctors, CME activities, research activities as well as community service. While the Family medicine training we provide is excellent, there are not enough graduates of the program to keep up with the overwhelming demand for well-traned primary care physicians. We hope this new program can bridge that gap.