

Admission Requirements for Postgraduate Studies at the University of Bahrain

2026/2027

I. Admission Requirements:

To be eligible to apply for enrolment in a postgraduate degree program at the University of Bahrain, an applicant must hold a bachelor's degree, or equivalent thereof if applying for postgraduate diploma and master's programs, or hold a master's degree if applying for doctoral programs from a recognized university and meet the following criteria:

Firstly - Application to Postgraduate Diploma and Master's Programs:

1. The applicant must hold a bachelor's degree from the University of Bahrain, or another university recognized by competent authorities, in a discipline which qualifies them for the program they intend to pursue, with a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of no less than 2.33 out of 4.0 points or equivalent thereof in other grading systems.
2. Applicants with a GPA lower than 2.33 but no less than 2.00 may be accepted if they have at least one year of work experience in the field of specialization they wish to study, as determined by the relevant academic department if the need arises, or if the applicant is a sponsored student.
3. The applicant must hold an IELTS academic English Language certificate or an equivalent thereof with a score of no less than 5.5 or pass the English language examination administered by the University. Applicants are exempted from the English language requirement if 90% or more of the instruction language in the program they wish to enroll in is in Arabic.
4. The applicant must meet any other requirements specified in the program admission requirements.

Secondly - Application to Doctoral Programs:

1. The applicant must hold a master's degree or the equivalent thereof from the University of Bahrain or another university recognized by competent authorities, in a discipline that qualifies them for the program they intend to pursue, with a cumulative GPA of no less than 3.0 out of 4.0 points or equivalent thereof.
2. The applicant must hold an IELTS academic English Language certificate or equivalent thereof with a score of no less than 5.5 or pass the English language examination administered by the University. Applicants holding a master's degree from the University of Bahrain are exempted from the English language examination. Applicants are also exempted from the English language requirement if 90% or more of the instruction language in the program they wish to enroll in is in Arabic.

3. The applicant must meet any other requirements specified in the program admission requirements.

II. **Required Documents to Attach to the Application:**

- **First Category: Required Documents for Applicants Graduates from University of Bahrain**

1. A recent colored photo.
2. A valid passport.
3. For the programs taught in English: a valid IELTS Academic English language certificate or equivalent thereof with a score of ≥ 6.5 or above to be exempted from sitting the aforementioned English language exam.
4. For applicants with a GPA between 2.00-2.33: Proof of one-year work experience in the field of specialization, or a sponsorship letter from the sponsoring entity.

- **Second Category: Required Documents for Applicants Graduates from Universities in the Kingdom of Bahrain other than the University of Bahrain**

1. All the documents required from the first category
2. Graduation certificate for the previous qualification (bachelor's degree certificate for postgraduate diploma and master's applicants, bachelor's and master's degree certificates for doctoral applicants).
3. Academic transcript for the bachelor's degree (for master's and postgraduate diploma applicants), and academic transcript for bachelor's and master's degrees (for doctoral applicants).

- **Third Category: Required Documents for Applicants Graduates from universities outside the Kingdom of Bahrain**

1. The documents required from the first category and the second category
2. A valid verification of the validity and authenticity of the academic qualifications from one of the accredited companies ([Quadrabay](#) - [Dataflow](#)).

- **Fourth Category: Required Documents for Applicants to the Postgraduate Diploma Programs at the College of Health and Sports Sciences, in addition to the documents required in Categories One, Two, and Three**

1. Hold a valid nursing license from the concerned responsible authorities, e.g., the National Health Regulatory Authority (NHRA), Saudi Commission for Health Specialties (SCFHS), Oman Medical Specialty Board (OMSB)...etc.
2. Have a valid Basic Life Support Provider Certificate (for Postgraduate Diploma in Emergency Nursing Program, Cardiovascular Care Nursing Program & Critical Care Nursing Program only).
3. Submit two recommendation letters.

- **Category Five: Documents Required for Applicants to the Ph.D. in Business Analytics program (in addition to the documents listed in Categories One, Two, and Three):**

1. Two letters of recommendation, one of which must be academic.
2. An up-to-date resume/CV.

- **Non-Bahraini applicants:**

1. A valid Identifications' card.
2. For the applicants with Kuwaiti or Omani nationality: A no-objection certified statement from the cultural attaché office of the Kuwaiti and Omani embassies in the Kingdom of Bahrain must be provided in addition to the aforementioned documents.

III. **Postgraduate Studies Fees:**

- 1- BD 10 for Application submission,
- 2- BD 50 for the English language examination administered by the University of Bahrain.
- 3- Fees for Master's Programs are 140 Bahraini Dinars per credit hour (depending on the number of program hours, which range from 33 credit hours to 36 credit hours).
- 4- Fees for Doctoral Programs are 160 Bahraini Dinars per credit hour (75 credit hours).

To view the postgraduate programs available for application for the academic year 2026-2027, along with the prerequisite qualifications for each program and the required level of English language proficiency, please click on the link provided: [Click here](#)