



# FACT SHEET

**Welcome**  
**to** the University of  
Nizwa



جامعة نيزوى  
University of Nizwa

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The University of Nizwa was established in 2004. It is located in the historic former capital of Oman.

## Introduction

The University of Nizwa aspires to be a beacon of knowledge and enlightenment as a prominent higher education institution of excellence. It is to achieve a worldwide reputation for the quality of its programs and graduates and international distinction for innovation, progress and development.

Since its inception, the guiding philosophy of UoN has been to provide students with a high quality education that prepares them to contribute meaningfully to the economic, artistic and aesthetic growth of the country. Graduates, irrespective of their majors, are expected to be capable lifelong learners with skills in numeracy, communications, critical thinking and problem solving. Alumni will possess an appreciation of their culture, values on which it is founded and shared values of humanity in general.

In the short time since the inaugural class of 1200 students began taking courses on 16 October 2004 the University has expanded tremendously, both in physical size and in the number and diversity of programs offered to students. At this time the University offers over 30 undergraduate majors and 6 masters programs to a student body of nearly 6500. Construction is underway nearby on a new state of the art campus to support the continued growth of the university and its academic offerings.

## Nizwa City

The city of Nizwa is the regional centre of A'Dakhiliyah Governorate. It lies around 164 kilometres from the capital Muscat. Nizwa lies at the foot of Al Jabal Al Akhdar (Green Mountain) to the south, amongst the mountains that form its walls. The city is full of rivers, orchards and palm trees towering amidst a balmy atmosphere. This clement weather has made a number of scholars and holy and free men claim Nizwa their hometown, giving it the name "the courtyard of Islam".

Nazwa city is famous for its history, culture, origins and heritage that abound in its customs, traditions, crafts, and the traditional industries and handicrafts our forefathers have known and excelled in as a means of livelihood.

In his famous book "Masterpiece Spectacles in Foreign Lands and the Wonders of Travel" Ibn Battuta describes his trip to Nizwa and what he saw there. He says: "Then we headed to Oman country and walked for six days in the desert. We reached the country of Oman on the seventh day. It is a fertile land with rivers, trees, orchards, palm plantations, and all kinds of fruit. We reached the city of Nizwa, considered to be the main city in this country. Here, people usually eat in the mosques, where each one brings whatever food he has to eat in the mosque courtyard. Everybody shares the food and these people are helpful and courageous."

Source: The Ministry of Tourism, Sultanate of Oman | Website: <https://www.omantourism.gov.om/>

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## Outstanding Performance at National Level



Cooperation with over 54 national and international institutions from 17 different countries

54 Institution

17 Countries

9880+ Students

04 Colleges

02 PhD programs

78 Undergraduate majors

29 Master programs



## 04 Research Centers

- Natural and Medical Sciences Research Center
- Al Khalil bin Ahmed Al Farahidi Center
- Center of Consultancy Services and Innovation Transfer
- DARIS Center for Scientific Research and Technology Development

## 02 Research Chairs

- Chair of Material Science and Metallurgy
- Chair of UNESCO on Aflaj Studies



**08**  
Simulation  
Laboratories



**83**  
Educational  
Laboratories

**30**  
Research  
Laboratories



**12**  
Service  
Centers



# Academic Information



## 4 Colleges

- College of Arts and Sciences
- College of Economics, Management & Information Systems
- College of Engineering & Architecture
- College of Pharmacy & Nursing




**PROGRAM** **CATALOGUE**

<https://unizwa.edu.om/program-catalogue>

[Program Catalogue](#)

# Courses Equivalency

Percentage	Grade Points	Grade Scored By the Student
95-100	4.0	A
90-94	3.7	A-
85-89	3.3	B+
80-84	3.0	B
77-79	2.7	B-
74-76	2.3	C+
70-73	2.0	C
67-69	1.7	C-
64-66	1.3	D+
60-63	1.0	D
0-59	0	F

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**284** International Students



**471** Academic Staff

(55% International Staff)

**03** Institutes

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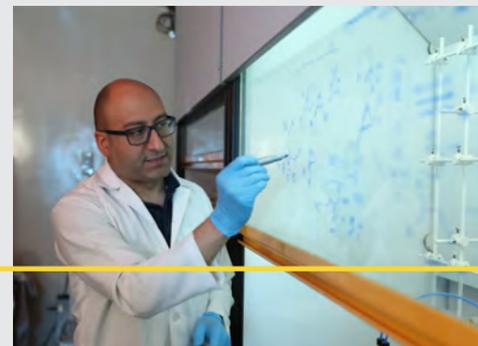
**DHAD Institute of TASOL,  
for Teaching Arabic  
to Speakers of Other  
Languages**

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**Foundation Institute**

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**Lifelong learning  
institute**



## Association and Student's Activity

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The main purposes of student's activities and associations in UoN are refining and developing student talents and abilities, spreading a culture of innovation and creativity, encouraging students to acquire skills and continuous self-education through artistic, scientific and literary activity, holding exhibitions, and organizing competitive courses.



# Student Exchange Program

## Our Exchange Experience

The university has various experiences in student's exchange programs. At UoN, exchange programs could be implemented in many ways. Usually, the University make the traditional way of exchange, locally with Omani Institutions or externally with Foreign Institutions.

However, one of the most interesting ways is what we call Virtual Exchange Programs. This type of exchange provides the students the opportunity to have a course with students from other countries for the entire semester without the need to travel ever. However, students study with each other in two connected classrooms all over the semester.

One of the exchange experiences we're proud of is the International Horizons Program which was established in 2008. This program was designed to benefit UoN students not only in academic regards, but culturally as well. The program provided almost 400 students to travel and study in other countries and observe other cultures, religions and ethnicities. Therefore, it cannot be considered as an academic program only. It's much more than that.

## Nomination and Application

Students should be nominated by the Home Institution. Students' Names, Passports, Degree programs and the desired courses should be provided with the nomination letter/email.

## Deadline

Nomination and Application have the same deadline date. The deadline dates are July 1<sup>st</sup> for Fall semester and December 1<sup>st</sup> for Spring semester.

### General Information

1. [University Homepage](#)
2. [Webpage for International Students](#)
3. Address: Birkat Al Mouz, Nizwa, Sultanate of Oman, P.O. Box 33, PC 616, Tel.: 25446234, 25446200, -Fax: 25443400

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# International Students

## Student Life and Other Services

The University will make every effort to facilitate students' life and guide them to get any additional service they need or desire including travelling procedures, accommodation, transportation, Visa... etc.  
Or students can visit website of [experience oman](#)



# 19 Countries



### Countries

Saudi Arabia	Nigeria	United Kingdom	Algeria
Libya	Jordan	Palestine	Syria
Egypt	Bahrain	Sudan	Yemen
Kenya	Tanzania	India	Pakistan
Bangladesh	Iraq	Tunisia	

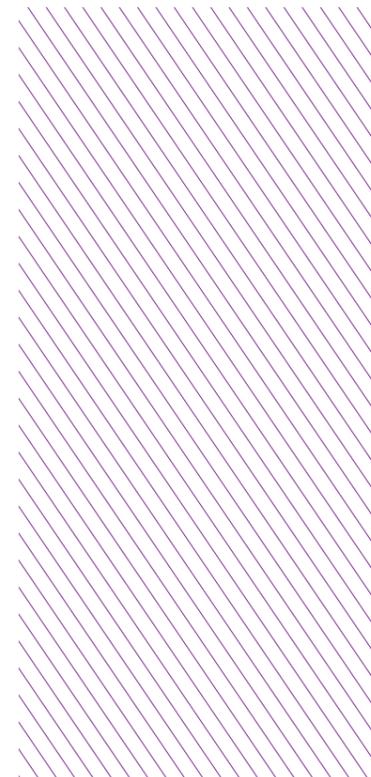
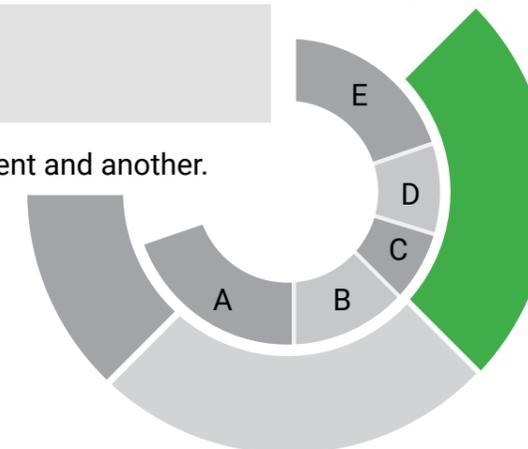
# Financial Cost



- ☑ Students are responsible of the renewal of their Residence Cards & Visas. They should inform the Public Relations Office at UoN if any assistance is needed for these procedures.
- ☑ All costs mentioned are changeable.



Service	Details	Cost (In Omani Rial)
Visa	Students' Visa expires after ONE year.	40 OMR
Residence Card	Expires after ONE year.	20 OMR
Other	Administrative Procedures.	50 OMR
Residence	Option (1): in the UoN campus (available only for females). Option (2): external residence.	Prices change based on many factors like location, space, etc. Approximately (60-90 OMR).
Transportation	From Muscat International Airport to the UoN campus (140 km).	20 OMR
Academic Credit	Students must have a minimum of 9 Hours as an academic credit per semester (Each course is about 3 academic hours).	Each academic hour costs 95 OMR/ or as stated in the agreement of students exchange.
Health Care	Insurance can be issued by the Home country or the Host country.	Covered by insurance.
Other costs	Personal costs.	Estimated differently from a student and another. Approximately (120-180 OMR)



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