



Regular Duration of Academic Procedures



Regular duration

The number of years or semesters that are designated as legitimate for a certain academic procedure. It is calculated based on the student's current program duration.



Maximum duration of academic procedures

The academic procedure	The Maximum duration
Internal Transfer	Half of the program duration
Minor Enrollment	two semesters before the end of the program duration
Remunerations	The exact Program duration
Honors Rank	The Program duration in addition to quarter of that duration
Dismissal	The Program duration in addition to half of that duration



Factors that affect the Regular Duration of Study:

Failing a course/courses	Withdrawal of Study (Apology)	Discontinuation of Study
Study Postponement	Denial (DN) Grades	Internal Transfer
Transfer from another university	Specialization Change within the college	Not following the study plan as advised



Standard Duration of Study and the Maximum Period for Graduation



Program duration

The number of years or semesters in the study plan approved by the University Council.



Standard duration of study

The number of years or semesters that are counted within the period a student spent in the college.



Maximum period for graduation

Students must complete the graduation requirements within a maximum period of half of the period stipulated for their graduation in addition to the standard duration of the program.

College	Program duration*	Duration of allocated remunerations	Maximum period for graduation
College of Medicine, College of Dentistry	6 years	6 years	9 years
College of Pharmacy - College of Engineering - College of Design (science majors) - College of Architecture and Planning	5 years	5 years	7.5 years
College of Applied Medical Sciences (Dammam-Jubail) - College of Nursing - College of Public Health - College of Design (Arts majors) - College of Computer Science and Information Technology - College of Business Administration - College of Science - College of Arts - College of Education - College of Sharia and Law - College of Science and Humanities in Jubail	4 years	4 years	6 years
College of Applied Studies and Community Service	4 years	2 years (After completing the general program and specialization at the college)	6 years
Community College (Dammam – Qatif)	3 years	—	4.5 years
Applied College (Dammam – Qatif)	2 years	2 years	3 years

*Above data is based on the most recent and updated study plans (2023). Students can visit the Academic Affairs office at the college to inquire about the exact program duration according to his/her plan.

Reminders

- Discontinued or postponed semesters are not counted within the study duration and maximum period for graduation.
- The duration of discontinuity due to persistent absence is included in the study duration and maximum period for graduation.
- Both apology and transferring semesters are counted within the study duration and maximum period for graduation.
- A probation semester is counted within the study duration and maximum period for graduation.
- Withdrawal from a course affects the permitted study duration.



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