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In-Country Scholarship Programme

“Prospects for Peace through Education in Iraq”

Call for Scholarship Applications 2022 for studies at the University of Dohuk

**Funded by the German Federal Ministry for
Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)**

Application deadline: September 26, 2022

Programme Objectives

The goal of the In-Country Scholarship Programme “Prospects for Peace through Education in Iraq” is to encourage and support young people to pursue bachelor’s degree programs at selected public and private universities. The target group for scholarships are highly qualified high school graduates who are facing socioeconomic barriers to higher education, especially applicants from ethnic and/or religious minority groups, refugees, IDPs and returnees. 50% of the scholarships will be awarded to women.

To this end, scholarships are granted for 4-year bachelor’s studies in the fields of agriculture / food processing, environmental sciences, information and communication technology, business administration as well as sciences in the medical field at the four participating universities.

It has been agreed upon that DAAD cooperates with the University of Dohuk by offering scholarships for selected Bachelor’s degree programmes.

Within this programme, up to 40 scholarships will be awarded at the four selected host universities in Kurdistan Region in Iraq.

The programme is commissioned and funded by the German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and implemented by GIZ and DAAD.

The awarding of scholarships will be subject to the provision of funds.

Eligible fields

The In-Country Scholarship Programme “Prospects for Peace through Education in Iraq” supports studies in subject areas with strong relevance to national development and the job market.

The scholarships at the University of Dohuk are available in the following four-year bachelor’s degree programmes:

College of Agriculture Engineering Sciences:

- Agriculture Extension & Rural Development

College of Science:

- Computer Science

College of Health Sciences:

- Medical Laboratory Sciences

College of Administration and Economics:

- Business Administration

Place of tenure

University of Dohuk

Application requirements
Applicants

- must have successfully completed their high school diploma with above average results
- must have a National Exam Score that fulfils the requirements set for the respective degree programme in the year 2022.
Please use the minimum scores of the last three years as orientation:

	2019-2020		2020-2021		2021-2022	
	Zanko-line	Parallel	Zanko-line	Parallel	Zanko-line	Parallel
Agriculture Extension & Rural Development	61.873	60.171	65.300	58.876	61.200	57.643
Computer Science	79.504	73.120	83.200	77.293	82.167	77.300
Medical Laboratory Sciences	92.898	86.667	94.000	91.524	95.000	93.714
Business Administration	68.400	62.878	75.600	69.200	72.700	67.000

- must have generally graduated from high school, generally not more than 6 years ago at the time of application
- must clearly show motivation and strong commitment
- must have knowledge of the language of instruction
- must be nationals or permanent residents of Kurdistan Region / Iraq or be recognized as a refugee / asylum seeker in Iraq
- must be part of the target group (primarily persons from ethnic and religious minorities, refugees/ asylum seekers, internally displaced persons and returnees, who are facing socio-economic barriers to education)

Duration and Commencement

Scholarships are granted for four years. Scholars must demonstrate satisfactory progress annually for the scholarship to continue. Scholarships start in November/December 2022 with the start of classes. Please refer to the latest announcement from the university regarding the first day of classes.

Scholarship funding

The scholarship covers:

Item	Payment	Amount
Tuition Fees	<i>direct payment to the host institution</i>	<i>the regularly charged amount</i>
Monthly Scholarship (Accommodation, Food etc.)	<i>monthly</i>	200 EUR
One-time lump-sum allowance for digital equipment and related expenses	<i>once at the beginning of the scholarship</i>	700 EUR

Please note that the first scholarship payment may be delayed due to necessary administrative processes at the beginning of the scholarship. However, later payments should be paid out at the beginning of each month.

The scholarship will be disbursed by the host institution. Further details will be announced after admission to the scholarship programme on the Letter of Award.

Additional benefits

Scholarship holders of the In-Country Scholarship Programme “Prospects for Peace through Education in Iraq” are required to participate in the following accompanying measures designed to help them succeed in their studies:

- Language classes (usually in the languages required for the degree programme)
- Additional course: Introduction to scientific work
- Additional course: Methods for critical thinking
- General study support
- If necessary, additional tutoring in the field of study

Furthermore, scholarship holders will be required to participate in additional accompanying measures in the overarching theme of the programme, i.e., courses helping scholarship holders with skills to support their entry to the job market as well as other activities regarding community-building and peaceful co-existence (e.g., discussion and sports activities). All further details regarding accompanying measures will be provided after admission to the scholarship programme.

Application Procedure

Application for admission to the degree programme is separate from the scholarship application. Applicants must apply for their studies at the University of Dohuk via the central application platform of the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research. More information on the admission process and the respective deadlines can be found here: <https://regayzanko.com/student/index.php>

The scholarship application:

Link to application platform:

<https://www.daad.de/surveys/212823?lang=en>

The application deadline is September 26, 2022.

Documents to be submitted (in English):

- DAAD application form duly filled in
- Scan of national ID card / residency permit / passport
- High school diploma (if available at the time of submission)
- UNHCR registration as a refugee/asylum seeker (if applicable)
- If you listed any disabilities or chronic diseases, please provide a certification from your doctor along with your application.
- Confirmation of enrolment in the selected degree programme that is mentioned in the application (to be handed in before the beginning of the scholarship)

If you do not have a computer with a sufficient internet connection to submit the application, please contact Ms. Anke Maria Meyer (a.meyer@daad.de). DAAD will endeavour to assist you.

Selection Procedure

In the selection process, the applicants' **academic merit, extracurricular activities, motivation**, as well as their **personal backgrounds** will be taken into consideration.

All applications will be screened by DAAD regarding the formal application criteria. The applicants' personal background will be assessed separately by DAAD internally, in consultation with GIZ. Information may be cross-checked with local contacts such as UNHCR. Applicants who pass the formal check of the documents will be asked to participate in an individual video conference with DAAD (in consultation with GIZ) to clarify any open questions arising from the "Personal Background Information" section and to give the opportunity to provide further information verbally.

Applications that pass the formal requirements will be forwarded to academic reviewers for an evaluation of their academic merit. Preselected candidates will be interviewed by a commission consisting of local academic reviewers and organized by DAAD.

The application form is available in English, Kurdish Sorani and Arabic. However, all written replies must be submitted in English.

For the interviews, translation between English, Kurdish Sorani, Kurdish Kurmanji and Arabic is available.

Contact and advice

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Further information

Website of the In-Country Scholarship Programme
"Prospects for Peace through Education in Iraq":

<http://www.daad.de/in-country-programme-iraq>

[Frequently asked questions \(PDF-Link\)](#)

