



**EMBASSY OF THE STATE OF KUWAIT
CULTURAL DIVISION**

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Planning Your FALL 2020 Academic Studies

Dear Students:

We hope that you are safe and sound during this pandemic.

Due to COVID-19 situation and per MOHE rule and regulations, their exceptional regulations for Fall 2020 enrollment, please read carefully the following regulations that are required by MOHE to maintain good scholarship standing, without violating immigration rules and regulations.

ACADEMIC STUDENTS:

- Enrollment in Online, hybrid, and (other non-traditional) courses are allowed for Fall 2020. The total number of enrolled credits **should not exceed the credit limit per term officially announced** at your home school.
- **Concurrent enrollment:** Enrollment in 2 schools or more in the same term **requires prior approval**.
 - Students may enroll in 4-years approved university and/or community college.
 - Concurrent enrollment cannot have any overlap/conflict in schedules. Courses earned with conflict/overlap in schedules will not be accepted and will need to be repeated before graduation, for your degree to be authenticated.
 - Concurrent enrollment must be presented to academic committee for review and decision.
 - All concurrent enrollment requests must be submitted in your student portal.
 - **Written approval by our office is required prior to taking a course outside your university**. Please check the list of approved schools/campuses on our website www.kuwaitculture.com prior to enrollment.
- **You must provide the following documents for your request to be reviewed by academic committee for approval:**
 - a. Fall term student detailed schedule.
 - b. Approval from home school (if taking the online/non-traditional course outside your home school).
 - c. Proof that course is required for the degree.
 - d. A request to explain the reason for taking the course outside home school.
- Courses or programs offered through weekends, extension programs, continuing education, college of professional studies, open university or evening division courses **are NOT approved**. Any courses taken through these divisions or unapproved campuses cannot not be applied towards your degree and must be repeated, and your degree will not be authenticated by this office.
- **Students may choose to enroll fully online during Fall 2020 and remain in Kuwait. Due to pandemic situation, this preference will not affect scholarship status, and students will continue receiving scholarship stipend.**

ESL STUDENTS:

- Online enrollment for ESL and Pathway programs are allowed for Fall 2020.
- Please be aware of your attendance policy in your ESL program. If your absences exceeds 20%, per Ministry scholarship rules, you will be subject to salary deduction. Maximum period for ESL studies is 1 year, after which you must secure an admission to your academic major.
- **All students must waive school health insurance prior to university deadline since you have CIGNA Insurance through health Office. It is student's responsibility to pay health insurance fees due to failure to act promptly.**

The following documents must be sent to the Cultural Office no later than September 15, 2020. Failure to do so will result in withholding of October 2020 salary (scheduled to be deposited on September 20):

1. **Official Spring and Summer 2020 transcripts from ALL schools attended** - must be mailed/emailed directly by the university/college to the Cultural Office (official electronic transcripts are acceptable)
2. **Fall 2020 verification of enrollment and/or Schedule.**

Student must submit required documents at student portal.

Please remember that we are here to offer assistance to you as needed. If you have any questions, please consult with your Embassy Adviser via email.

Best wishes for a successful term,



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