Snapshots of Jazan University
Snapshots of Jazan University
Jazan University was established in response to the Royal Decree No.6616/M/B dated 12/5/1426 Hijri corresponding to 19/6/2005 Gregorian. The colleges of medicine, engineering, computer and information systems; and the community college formed the nucleus of the university. Then the Teachers’ College, which was established in 1401H (1981G), was added followed by the girls’ education colleges existing in the regions and established in 1412H (1992G). Other colleges established subsequently were an addition to the university to bring the total number of colleges at the end of 1432H (2011) to 26. Aside from these, four deputyships for the university and nine support deanship were set up.

A big site reaching 9 million square meters in area on the Red Sea coast north of Jazan city was allocated for the University campus. King Abdullah, Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques laid the foundation stone for the University campus on 14/10/1427H (15/11/2006G). Several projects in the campus have been completed, several others are about to be completed while many others are still being carried out.
The huge expansion Jazan University is witnessing in the number of colleges and their departments, support deanships, faculty members, male and female students and employees is simultaneous with the university's keenness to develop academic and administrative work according to its drawn up strategic plan and the local and international academic assessment and accreditation criteria. To achieve this balance and double these efforts, four deputies have been set up in Jazan University. They are:

- University Deputyship
- University Deputyship for Higher Studies and Academic Research
- University Deputyship for Quality and Academic Development
- University Deputyship for Academic Affairs
University Colleges

Jazan University has 26 colleges. Of these, 25 colleges award bachelor's degrees and one college awards diplomas. The colleges and their departments are as follows:

College of Medicine
It was established in 2000 (1421H) and it comprises the departments of medicine and surgery.

College of Dentistry
It was established in 2008 (1429H) and is formed of several departments including Dental Hygiene, Restorative Dental Sciences, Prosthetic Dental Science, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, and Diagnostics.

College of Pharmacy
It was set up in 2008 (1429H) and comprises several departments including Pharmaceutics, Clinical Pharmacy, Pharmacology, and Chemical Pharmaceutical Drugs.

College of Applied Medical Sciences
It was established in 2005 (1426H) and comprises the following departments: Medical Laboratories Technology, Nursing, Diagnostic Radiology, Physiotherapy, and Clinical Nutrition.

College of Public Health and Tropical Medicine
It was established in 2011 (1432H) and is formed of several departments including Medical Statistics, Epidemiology, Environmental Health, Occupational Health, Health Awareness and Support, Mother and Child Health, Health Services Management, and Health Information Technology and Management.
College of Nursing and Allied Health Science
It was set up in 2011 (1432H) and comprises the following departments: Obstetrics (Midwifery), Nursing, Surgeries, Dental Health, Respiratory Therapy, First Aid and Emergency, Optics, Acoustics, and Dental Implants.

College of Engineering
The college was established in 2004 (1425H) and is formed of the following departments: Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Industrial Engineering, Civil Engineering, Architecture Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Thermal Engineering and Desalination Technology.

College of Design and Architecture
It was established in 2009 (1430H) and comprises the following departments: Interior Design, Product Design, Architecture, Planning, Publication and Multimedia Design, and Applied Arts.

College of Computer and Information Systems
It was set up in 2004 (1425H) and is formed of several departments including: Computer Science, Information Systems, and Computer Network Engineering.

College of Science
It was established in 2005 (1426H) and comprises the following departments: Biology, Mathematics, Physics, and Chemistry.
University Colleges

College of Law
It was set up in 2011 (1432H) and is formed of the following departments: Shariah, Public Law, and Private Law.

College of Business Administration
It was established in 2008 (1429H) and comprises the departments: Business Administration, Finance and Banking, Accountancy, Management Information Systems, Systems, Marketing and e-commerce, and Economics.

College of Arts and Humanities
The college was established in 2009 (1430H) and is formed of several departments including Arabic Language and Literature, Social Sciences, Librarianship and Information, Journalism and Mass Communication, Tourism and Antiquities, Political Science, and English Language.

College of Education
It was established in 2009 (1430H) and comprises the departments: Islamic Education, Special Education, Education, Art Education, Physical Education, Psychology, Kindergartens, Curricula and Teaching Methods, and Education Technology.

College of Science and Arts in Samta
It was established in 2009 (1430H) and includes the departments of Physics, Radiology, Nursing, Chemistry, Kindergartens, Home Economics, and English Language.
University Colleges

College of Science and Arts in Farasan
It was established in 2009 (1430H) and comprises the following departments: English Language, Home Economics, Information Systems, Mathematics, and Medical Sciences.

College of Science and Arts in Darb
It was set up in 2009 (1430H) and comprises the departments of Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Medical Sciences, Mathematics, Computer Science, English Language, and Business Administration.

College of Science and Arts in Al-Aridha Governorate
It was established in 2010 (1431H) and comprises the following departments: Medical Laboratories, Chemistry, Physics, Computer Science, and English Language.

College of Science and Arts in Al-Dayir Governorate
It was established in 2010 (1431H) and is formed of several departments including: Nursing, Mathematics, Biology, English Language, and Islamic Studies.

Community College
It was set up in 1997 (1418H) and has two departments: Administrative Sciences, and Computer Science and Information.

This is in addition to other colleges that have been restructured. These include the Teachers’ College, College of Education for Women - Science, College of Education for Women - Arts, Female Teachers’ College, College of Education in Farasan, and Community College for Women.
Support Deanships of the University

There are nine support deanships in Jazan University and they are as follows:

- Deanship of Academic Research
- Deanship of Postgraduate Studies
- Deanship of Academic Development
- Deanship of Preparatory Year
- Deanship of Admission and Registration
- Deanship of e-Learning and Distance Learning
- Deanship of Students’ Affairs
- Deanship of Library Affairs
- Deanship of Community Service and Continued Education
Jazan University aims to provide an environment conducive to conducting research. It continuously evaluates research works, supplies necessary laboratories, equipment and tools, stimulates distinguished and creative performance and builds internal and external partnerships through the following:

First: Setting up research centers and institutes
Three research centers and institutes were set up in Jazan University. They are:

Medical Research Center: This is a medical research as well as training center that seeks to enhance and conduct high-quality applied medical research on diseases and other medical problems which are common in Jazan. It also contributes to the process of designing preventive and therapeutic plans for these diseases and problems.

Environmental Research Center: This high-quality research center seeks to conduct environmental research projects which help in solving local and global environmental problems. Moreover, it aims to study basic environmental concepts from a new perspective and solve environmental problems using scientific methods. This is done in cooperation with concerned environmental authorities in the Kingdom as well as local, regional and international centers that are interested in environmental studies.
Scientific Research:

**Research and Consultation Services Institute:** This is a consultation institute which possesses considerable experience in providing excellent research and consultation services. The institute seeks to shed light on the university’s role and capabilities and build effective partnerships that provide the university with global research and consultation services which contribute to achieving sustainable development in the private and public sectors and meeting society’s needs.

**Second: Research and Conferences**

Between 2010 and 2011, Jazan University participated in 328 conferences and symposia, 89 of which were global conferences in which 451 faculty members of the university presented 242 research papers. Moreover, the faculty members conducted 332 scientific research papers in addition to 197 research papers being conducted.

**Third: Setting up an refereed journal**

Jazan University has set up a refereed journal which is issued twice a year. The University Deputyship for Higher Studies and Academic Research seeks to continuously develop and upgrade the level of the journal to act as an important source which has researchers from different parts of the world and top-notch scientific research that is based on high precision and authenticity which ensures quality and excellence for the journal.
Jazan University has given full priority to scholarship programs offered to faculty members where they can conduct postgraduate studies at prestigious universities that have high academic standards. Faculty members acquire different important skills that keep them abreast of the requirements of advanced technical and scientific knowledge, thus achieving the mission and vision of Jazan University.

The university follows up with postgraduate students to facilitate any difficulty they face and ensure that they will achieve excellence. This is done through developing e-services and forums where students can interact and consult the university about different matters related to their scholarships.

The following table shows the number of faculty staff who won scholarships between 2010-2011 compared with that between 2005 and 2006. They are ordered according to degree of programs:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Academic degree</th>
<th>Academic year</th>
<th>Change rate</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>2005 - 2006</td>
<td>2010 - 2011</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PhDs</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>62</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fellowships</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>48</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Masters</td>
<td>35</td>
<td>159</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total</td>
<td>65</td>
<td>269</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Deputyship for Quality and Academic Development at Jazan University is responsible for developing and perfecting the educational process, obtaining academic accreditations to university's programs, developing faculty staff's skills, especially personal, technical, academic, research, leadership and administrative skills. Thus, faculty members can develop programs, plans and academic curricula and master as well as upgrade teaching methods.

The Deputyship for Quality and Academic Development seeks to achieve some goals such as adopting local and global quality standards, developing academic work in a way that makes it in line with university's strategic goals and plans, employing global standards in designing academic programs and courses and evaluating performance.

To achieve these goals, the deputyship employed some strategies such as setting up specialized units for academic development within colleges, developing the infrastructure of academic development within colleges and implementing training programs in the field of academic development for faculty members, administrative staff and students.

The deputyship has started issuing an important and beneficial series of scientific books in the field of quality and academic development. For example, it issued «University Teaching Skills and Strategies» and «Terms and Concepts of Quality.»
Admission and Registration

Jazan University has based its programs and specializations on local and international academic accreditation and quality standards to meet the Kingdom’s development needs, especially human resources needs. It opened scientific colleges and departments at the university’s headquarters and complexes as well as all over Jazan’s governorates using bases and standards of opening new colleges. By doing so, it has struck a balance between the quality of programs and specializations and the absorption of male and female students accepted into the university, which graduates excellent and high-caliber male and female students from different specializations.
In 2010-2011, Jazan University offered 15,000 male and female students admission into its colleges. In the same year, it graduated 5555 male and female well-qualified students. The following table shows the number of accepted male and female students in the academic year 2010-2011 compared with that of the academic year 2007-2008, distributed according to academic level and sex:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Academic level</th>
<th>Sex</th>
<th>2007 - 2008</th>
<th>2010 - 2011</th>
<th>Percentage of change</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>BA – full time</td>
<td>male</td>
<td>919</td>
<td>4310</td>
<td>369 %</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>female</td>
<td>2421</td>
<td>4310</td>
<td>78 %</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>total</td>
<td>3340</td>
<td>8620</td>
<td>158 %</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>BA-correspondence</td>
<td>male</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0 %</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>female</td>
<td>2076</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>-100 %</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>total</td>
<td>2076</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>-100 %</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>BA-distance learning</td>
<td>male</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>579</td>
<td>100 %</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>female</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>580</td>
<td>100 %</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>total</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>1159</td>
<td>100 %</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Post-secondary (diploma)</td>
<td>male</td>
<td>613</td>
<td>473</td>
<td>-23 %</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>female</td>
<td>327</td>
<td>400</td>
<td>23 %</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>total</td>
<td>940</td>
<td>873</td>
<td>-7 %</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total</td>
<td></td>
<td>6356</td>
<td>10652</td>
<td>314 %</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
The following table shows the number of male and female graduates for the academic year 2010-2011, distributed according to colleges:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>College</th>
<th>Total</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Medicine</td>
<td>28</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Applied Medical Sciences</td>
<td>38</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Engineering</td>
<td>45</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Computer &amp; Information System</td>
<td>51</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sciences</td>
<td>88</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Teachers</td>
<td>446</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Community</td>
<td>513</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Health Sciences</td>
<td>235</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Education – Literary Sections</td>
<td>1714</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Education – Scientific Sections</td>
<td>794</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Female Teachers’ Preparation – Samtah</td>
<td>915</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Education in Farsan</td>
<td>57</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total</td>
<td>5555</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Jazan University contributes to the process of developing the educational process implemented by the Ministry of Higher Education through developing e-learning and distance learning. This is done through:

- Setting up the Deanship of E-Learning and Distance Learning in 2009.

- Keeping abreast of global prestigious universities in the field of e-learning and distance learning to benefit from their excellent expertise in applying modern and up-to-date methods of education to achieve strategic educational goals and provide its students with necessary knowledge and education.

- The university took another effective step in this field and included the Deanship of E-Learning and Distance Learning within the Deputyship for Academic Quality and Development to link the infrastructure of e-learning and distance learning, design curricula electronically, expand e-learning services and virtual classes, achieve interaction between students and faculty members and offer opportunities of admission based on academic quality and accreditation.
Jazan University considers student extracurricular activities an integral part of the education, cognitive, cultural and social programs offered to university students and the development of their personality. This has made good planning of student activities in coordination with colleges and other sectors an important mission of the Deputyship for Academic Affairs.

The Deputyship for Academic Affairs has focused on supporting and encouraging student participation in local, Arab and international conferences and forums. University students won several awards and recognitions which prompted the university to increase student participation in other activities as well.

The Deanship of Students’ Affairs conducted 488 cultural, social, sports, training and other activities last year and opened new student clubs. It also made current clubs play a bigger role and linked their activities with well-designed programs that contribute to developing student skills and capabilities. Examples of these clubs include: Club of Literature, Club of Theater, Club of Reading, Club of Scouts, Club of Science, Club of Light Photography and others.

The Deanship of Students’ Affairs designed a unique initiative for student forum which includes all students from Saudi universities. It also hosted four meetings of the forum, which achieves several important and strategic goals for Jazan University’s students, in particular, and other Saudi universities’ students, in general.
The following table shows the development of student activities in Jazan University:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Type of activity</th>
<th>Academic year</th>
<th>Change rate</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>2009 - 2010</td>
<td>2010 - 2011</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cultural</td>
<td>72</td>
<td>121</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Social</td>
<td>69</td>
<td>121</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Athletic</td>
<td>44</td>
<td>77</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Training</td>
<td>68</td>
<td>85</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>General</td>
<td>64</td>
<td>84</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total</td>
<td>316</td>
<td>488</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
University’s libraries are an important element of the success of educational process because they provide students, faculty members and researchers from different fields with various useful knowledge and allow local community members to benefit from the services they provide.

The Deanship of Library Affairs continues to exert intensive efforts to provide central and university’s branch libraries with necessary sources as well as state-of-the-art technologies and communication devices. By the end of the year 2010-2011, university’s libraries have had 236,095 volumes and scientific items and 192,426 titles; 68,197 Arabic and foreign titles, 2,933 Arabic and foreign titles of periodicals, 5 titles of original manuscripts, 2,097 titles of government publications, 3,880 titles of postgraduate theses, 1,281 titles of audio aids, 114,000 titles of e-books and 33 titles of different databases.

In 2010-2011, libraries were provided with 14,106 titles, of which 11,851 were bought, 1,974 were given to libraries, 260 were obtained through exchange and 21 were obtained through other methods.

The number of books loaned by university’s libraries in 2010-2011 was 3,203 books, of which 2,166 were Arabic books and 1,037 were foreign books. The number of borrowers for the same year was 3,234 students, 50 percent of which were students while 40 percent were faculty members and 10 percent were researchers and persons from outside the university.
The Deanship of Community Services and Continuing Education at Jazan University plays a pivotal role in translating the vision, mission and goals of university into action on the ground. It implements long- and short-term academic and training programs aiming to develop administrative, technical and specialized capabilities and skills of individuals and make them more efficient and capable of fulfilling their job responsibilities as well as mastering their task roles based on suitable and modern training and academic methods.

To achieve these goals, the Deanship was keen to attract experienced faculty members and instructors with expertise on human resources development. It also activated the cooperation agreements different sectors signed with the university to benefit from such agreements in training, qualifying and developing human resources.
توقيع مذكرة تفاهم بين جامعة جازان والأمن العام لتنفيذ عدد من البرامج التدريبية والتعليمية بقيادة خدمة المجتمع والتعليم المستمر للأربعاء 19/4/1430 ه الموافق
In the academic year 2010-2011, over (2000) two thousand trainees benefited from the Deanship’s programs. The following table shows some programs that have been implemented by the Deanship for training purposes.
Jazan University has set up several educational and research laboratories, engineering workshops, medical polyclinics and English language and TOEFL laboratories. It provides these laboratories with modern and advanced tools and equipment on continuous basis to create an environment conducive to research and education, an environment which meets student as well as faculty members' needs and achieves the sought-after educational goals. Thus, students graduate with high level of experience and competition.

Jazan University has built five large warehouses which provide laboratories with necessary devices and equipment. The warehouses use advanced computer programs to facilitate administrative transactions with university's colleges, research institutes as well as centers and other departments.
In the academic year 2010-2011, 34 projects were implemented at Jazan University. These projects focused on developing infrastructure, building colleges, procuring educational supplies, performing design, supervision, reform, restoration works in addition to building annexes. The following projects were implemented in the University Campus:

- Project of designing and supervising infrastructure and support buildings (first stage).
- Project of designing and supervising the building of a university hospital (first stage).
- Project of designing, building and supervising the administration building, deanships› headquarters and support centers (building Information Technology Center, English Language Center and the Deanship of Admission and Registration and supplying them with necessary equipment).
- Project of designing, building and supervising the implementation process of Applied Medical College and supplying it with necessary equipment (first stage).
- Project of building girls› colleges.
- Project of building faculty members› housing complex and student dormitory (first stage).
- Project of building two health colleges and supplying them with necessary equipment.
- Project of designing, building and supervising infrastructure (second stage).
- Project of designing, building and supervising the process of implementation for student dormitory (second stage).
- Project of a lake at the headquarters of the university.
- Project of setting up the College of Computer and Information Systems.
- Project of setting up Engineering College.
- Project of fencing the headquarters and infrastructure (first stage).
Jazan University organizes a cultural season annually in which it hosts a number of prominent figures including princes, ministers, senior thinkers and religious scholars, intellectuals and specialists in scientific, cultural and intellectual fields. The Cultural Season for the academic year 2011/2012 (1432/1433H) is the fifth consecutively and through it the University continues to hold numerous lectures and cultural seminars and activities that contribute to elevating the cultural standard of the University’s male and female personnel and all segments of society so as to achieve pioneering cultural and educational development.

In its five sessions, the Cultural Season has been able to contribute to a growing cultural activity in the University through the Season’s guests, who presented many subjects tackling all aspects and meeting most of the needs of the cultural community. All these have come to confirm the keenness, permanent presence, continuous interaction with society and enriching its cultural aspects.

During all the previous sessions of the Cultural Season, it strove through a number of symposia, seminars, lectures and cultural activities to shed light on the most prominent intellectual and cultural issues preoccupying the cultural arena including the national, tourism, scientific, humanitarian, administrative and intellectual fields.

The holding of the University's Cultural Season every year has become a distinctive characteristic and distinguishing mark in its cultural movement and a policy the University is following in carrying out its cultural and scientific message toward its local community and national society.
Within the endeavor of Jazan University to develop its graduates and link each of its scientific and theoretical departments with its counterpart in international universities and centers, the university signed agreements and memorandums of cooperation with the most prestigious universities and centers in the world. The most prominent of these agreements are:

- Academic Cooperation Agreement in the field of medicine with the University of Illinois at Chicago, USA
- Academic Cooperation Agreement in areas of science with Monash University of Australia
- Academic Cooperation Agreement with the University of Utah, USA in the field of physics
- Academic Cooperation Agreement with the University of Vienna in Austria in the field of chemistry
- Academic Cooperation Agreement with the University of Manchester, UK in the field of science
- Academic Cooperation Agreement with Tokyo University in Japan in areas of engineering
- Academic Cooperation Agreement with Leiden University of Holland, Kyoto University of Japan and Griffith University of Australia
- Memorandums of Understanding with a number of Chinese universities to support the education and research process.
- Memorandum of Academic Cooperation with the University of Montreal, Canada in scientific research, training and academic cooperation
- Memorandum of Understanding with Kanazawa University in Japan
- Memorandum of Understanding with Maastricht University in Holland
- Memorandum of Understanding between the Medical Research Center in Jazan University and Korloniska Institute in Sweden

There are several other scientific and research agreements and partnerships with a number of universities and research centers in different countries of the world.
Snapshots of Jazan University