King Saud University
toward accredited and quality online learning

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King Saud University in Figures

- ➢ 101-150 in Shanghai Academic Ranking.

- ➢ More than 83000 undergraduate & graduate students.

- ➢ More than 6800 faculty members, and 29000 staffs.

- ➢ More than 3000 patents.

- ➢ More than 65000 research studies and more than 780,000 citations.

- ➢ 94 research indexed journals.

- ➢ 20 research centers, 71 research chairs, and 6 specialized research institutes.

- ➢ 93 bachelor degrees and 14 diplomas.

- ➢ 269 Master programs, and 98 PhD programs.

Safeguarding of Online Learners at KSU

➢ For hosted services, KSU has met the National Cybersecurity Authority standards and criteria, under KSA strategic vision for cybersecurity.

➢ For non-hosted services, it is the providers responsibility.

➢ Indicators of safeguarding assurance:

  ➢ Received NELC Online Learning License for "Institution" (2021).

  ➢ Received NELC for two "online learning diplomas" (2021).

  ➢ KSU policies for cybersecurity and data centers.

  ➢ Strict accessibility and authentication to all services to ensure learners' privacy and confidentiality.

LMS and Sources of Content at KSU

➤ Deciding the most appropriate online learning platforms:

    ➤ LMSs are being decided and provided by Ministry of Education.

➤ Source of learning content:

    ➤ KSU meets NELC standards and use Quality Matters Rubrics and Standards for educational content.

    ➤ KSU publisher (digital textbooks to support online courses).

    ➤ It is the college responsibility to select the source and maintain quality of the learning content.

    ➤ Need to determine criteria for education content providers to meeting the pedagogical standards of the university.

Preparing for digital knowledge-based economy

➤ Transformation toward digital education (KSU 2030 vision).

➤ Preparing faculty members to implement modern teaching techniques.

➤ The Distinguished and Talented Students Club

  ➤ Programs and courses to enhance talent and creativity.

➤ Computer Center for Skills Development

  ➤ Digital skills, leadership skills, soft skills, emerging skills, etc. ➔ KSU Skills Transcript.

Aligning with the Kingdom's Vision 2030

➤ Ministry of Education initiatives:
  ➤ "transforming towards digital education to support student and teacher's progress".
  ➤ "transforming learning into a learner-centered process to develop students' abilities to face life challenges".
  ➤ "Improving the educational environment to stimulates creativity and innovation" (The National Transformation Program 2020).

➤ KSU initiatives:
  ➤ Improvement on online learning infostructure.
  ➤ 2 Accredited fully online diploma, and more to come.
  ➤ 74 online courses are delivered in online format.
  ➤ KSU launched first course that implement Artificial Intelligence "Adaptive Learning" this year.

➤ FutureX
  ➤ A National Integrated Online Learning ecosystem to providing lifelong learning opportunities for all.
  ➤ KSU will contribute to providing reliable and high-quality online courses through FutureX.