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Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research

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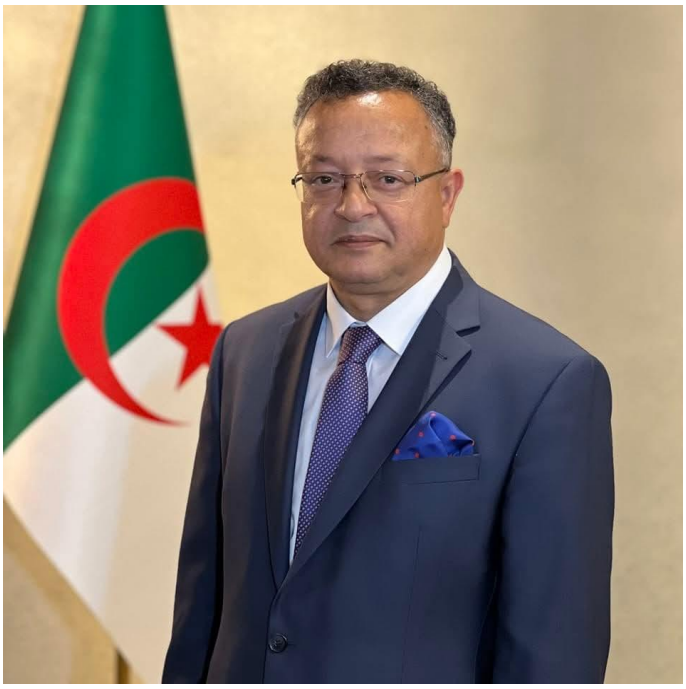
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Statement of the Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research



STUDENTS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD THIS CONCERNS YOU

If you want to study for a Bachelor's, Master's, an Engineering or a Doctoral degree, join us in Algeria for your higher education. With its 130 universities and colleges, public and private, all of international status and spread throughout the national territory, higher education in Algeria has a modern infrastructure and a number of international partnerships, and will provide you with the most welcoming conditions as well as a worldwide recognition for all your qualifications acquired in Algeria.

The advantages of studying in Algeria are numerous. You can study Literature, Art, Technology, or Medicine. The languages of instruction are French, English and Arabic, depending on the specialisms chosen. For example, in the University Pole of Excellence located on the outskirts of the capital, Algiers, teaching is entirely in English. This cluster includes five (5) major colleges that prepare for engineering degrees in the specialties of Artificial Intelligence, Mathematics, autonomous Systems (drones, robotics), Nanotechnology and Cybersecurity.

In addition to these advantages, there is the kindliness and the warm welcome of the Algerian people, which will facilitate your integration and make you feel welcome. The cost of living is very reasonable for an optimal comfort and, thanks to the additional financial support of the State, student life and registration fees in Algeria are very attractive and among the lowest in the world.

To enable you to join us easily, you will also benefit from very flexible visa facilities, which will allow you to join us quickly.

For more information, I invite you to watch the attached video clip.

In the hope of seeing you amongst us at the beginning of the next academic year, I wish you the best of luck!

Kamel BADDARI, Prof. Emeritus
Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research

Welcome to International Students in Algeria!



Algeria welcomes you with open arms for a unique academic and cultural experience.

Renowned for the quality of their education and the diversity of their programs, our universities host numerous students from around the world every year.

By joining an Algerian university, you will benefit from a dynamic learning environment, modern educational resources, and numerous opportunities for exchange with highly qualified professors and researchers. Furthermore, your stay in Algeria will offer you the chance to explore a country with breathtaking landscapes, a rich historical heritage and culture and a very warm and hospitable environment.

To facilitate your integration, our institutions provide dedicated services to international students, including administrative support, language courses, practical guidance and advice, and a set of cultural activities. We are committed to help you get the most out of your university experience and succeed in your academic journey.

We extend our warmest welcome and wish you an enriching stay in Algeria!

Why study in Algeria ?

A Scientific Hub, Natural Biodiversity, Cultural Wealth, and Human Generosity



Located in North Africa, Algeria consists of 58 provinces and has 1,200 km of Mediterranean coastline, as well as a diverse landscape featuring plains, high plateaus, mountain ranges, and a vast desert covering 2 million km².

The official languages are Arabic and Tamazight. Other languages such as French and English are also spoken. The predominantly youthful Algerian population counts 46.63 million of mostly Muslim inhabitants of diverse cultural backgrounds, known for their passion for sports and artistic expressions, rich culinary traditions, immense generosity, lively humor, and strong national pride

At a crossroads of Arab, African and Mediterranean cultures, Algeria is home to numerous Numidian and Roman sites. There are seven Algerian landmarks and monuments listed as UNESCO World Heritage Sites:

- Tassili n'Ajjer, (in Tamanrasset and Illizi provinces)
- Djemila (in Sétif province)
- The M'zab Valley (in Ghardaïa province)
- The Casbah (in Algiers), the Kalaa of Beni Hammad (in M'sila province), Timgad (in Batna province), and Cherchell (in Tipaza province)

Each Algerian city has its own distinct musical, culinary, and traditional attire style. Festivals are held throughout the year to celebrate historical milestones, religious holidays, and cultural events.

The University Network in Algeria



The Algerian University network extends to 117 higher education institutions across 48 of the 58 provinces.

Closely correlated to the socio-economic local fabric, this university network, consists of 55 universities, 9 university centers, 40 national higher schools, and 13 higher teacher-training colleges.

Since 1962, Algerian universities have trained over 65,000 international students from 62 countries, particularly, in the fields of medical sciences, technology, and social and human sciences.

The Algerian Higher Education System



Training offers in Algeria allow for the development of a study path tailored specifically to the needs and evolution of the student's study project.

Higher Education Institutions offer students several access paths to higher education:

- **Universities:** Offer training leading to a Licence /Bachelor's degree (3 years), Master's degree (5 years), Integrated Bachelor-Master degree (5 years), Engineering degrees (5 years), and Medical Sciences degrees [including: Medicine (7 years), Dental Medicine and Pharmacy (6 years), Veterinary Science (6 years)], and Architecture (5 years), as well as PhD Degrees in various disciplines (8 years).

- **University Centers:** Provide training for the Bachelor's degree (3 years) and Master's degree (5 years), including Integrated Bachelor-Master programs (5 years), as well as, PhD Degrees (8 years).

- **Higher National Schools:** They are organized in field specialisms and offer a five-year training program, consisting of a two-year foundation course, followed by a three-year specialization. After successful completion of the initial two years of training, access to the specialization phase is contingent upon succeeding at the competitive entrance exam organized by the school.

Study Cycles and Degrees Awarded



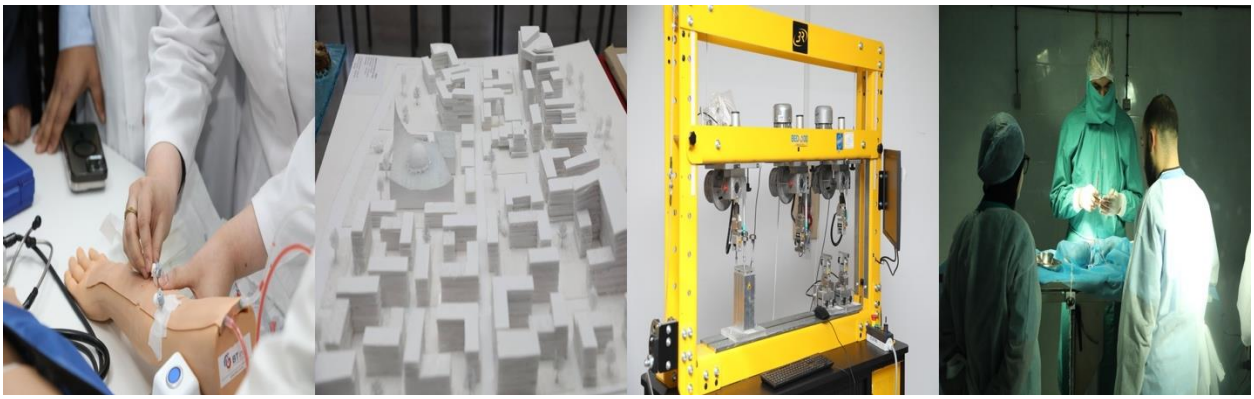


Algerian universities offer a general academic program based on the LMD system, structured around three academic cycles.

- **Bachelor's Degree:** consists of three years higher education. The programs are based on the core fundamentals of each specialism.

- **Master's Degree:** a two-year program, which provides students with advanced knowledge in a specific field. Students must complete and submit a final dissertation defended in a public viva voce examination.
- **PhD Degree:** involves three years of academic research, during which candidates prepare and submit a PhD thesis, defended in a public viva voce examination.

Fields of Training



The fields of Training in Algeria include:

- Natural and Life Sciences
- Science and Technology
- Health Sciences
- Material Sciences
- Mathematics and Computer Science
- Economics, Commercial, and Management Sciences
- Earth and Universe Sciences
- Law and Political Science
- Human and Social Sciences
- Arts
- Arabic Language and Literature
- Amazigh Language and Culture
- Literature and Foreign Languages
- Architecture, Urban Planning, and Urban Professions
- Sciences and Techniques of Physical and Sports Activities

Scientific Infrastructures



- **Moodle:** This is an educational platform which provides access to courses, tutorials, exercises, and assignments. An account is assigned to each student upon enrollment at the university

- **Progress:** this is a digital platform used by the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research designed to enhance services for the university community. It enables the academic monitoring of students, from registration and right through their educational path.
Link: https://www.mesrs.dz/index.php/fr/progres/

- **IBTIKAR:** A platform created by the General Directorate of Scientific Research and Technological Development, designed to support doctoral students in conducting their research work for the preparation of their theses.
For more information, visit www.ibtikar.dgrsdt.dz or download the Ibtikar mobile application from Google Play.

- **SNDL:** is a portal providing access to national and international electronic resources online. It offers access to a vast and diverse collection of electronic documentation covering all fields of education and scientific research.
Link: https://www.sndl.cerist.dz/

- **ASJP:** This is an electronic publishing platform for Algerian scientific journals managed by CERIST.
Link: https://asjp.cerist.dz/

- **BiblioUniv Algérie:** A documentary portal open to all university stakeholders, including students, researchers, and library administrators, who wish to promote new approaches and innovative organizational and operational models for university libraries.
Link: https://www.bibliouniv.cerist.dz/

Support Structures



Incubators

serve as hosting and support structures, ensuring the development of innovative projects and the valorization of scientific research products among students from various disciplines, who can benefit from training programs organized and led by incubator trainers and coaches, whose role is to induct them into entrepreneurial thinking and behavior. Student project-holders are guided from the initial stage of the first idea to the final creation of their projects after graduation. This space enables students to gain knowledge, express themselves, and actively engage in developing their business ideas.

Entrepreneurship Development Center (CDE)

As part of the strategy to link Algerian universities with the needs of the national economy, the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research, in partnership with the Ministry of Knowledge Economy, Start-Ups, and Micro-Enterprises, has established Entrepreneurship Development Centers (CDE) within all Algerian universities. These centers provide a dynamic space for interaction and the implementation of programs focused on business creation for students. CDEs offer comprehensive training programs covering all aspects of business management, from strategic planning and financial management to marketing and sales. These training programs are essential for equipping student entrepreneurs with the necessary skills to successfully implement their projects.

Technology and Innovation Support Center (CATI)

The CATI serves as a support structure for faculty members, researchers, and students in the field of industrial property by providing the following services: access to patent databases, assistance and advice in intellectual property management (patent drafting, commercialization, etc.), and support in business creation

(trademark registration, designs and industrial models, etc.). The CATI was established through a partnership agreement with the Algerian National Institute of Industrial Property (INAPI) under the Ministry of Industry

Artificial Intelligence House (MIA)

The Artificial Intelligence House is a dedicated space for exploration, learning, and innovation in the field of Artificial Intelligence. It promotes interdisciplinarity by bringing together students, researchers, and professionals from various backgrounds to whom it provides pedagogical support in integrating AI into their respective fields of study, thus fostering research and development in Artificial Intelligence within academic institutions.

FabLab

It is a manufacturing laboratory dedicated to the creation and sharing of new products, allowing both beginners and experts alike to make new objects, repair or repurpose existing ones, as well as develop and test prototypes for students who are project-holders

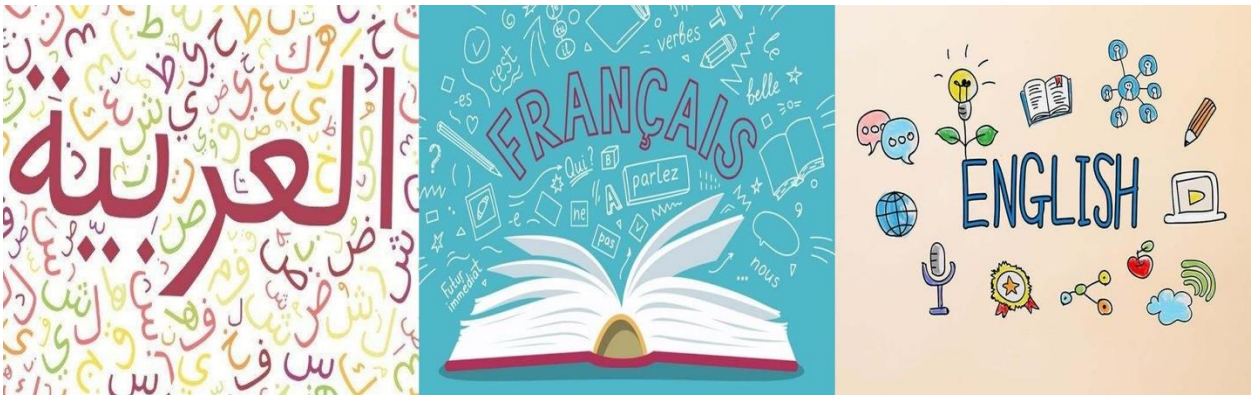
University Accelerators

encompass all programs designed to help mature innovative projects develop more rapidly by providing a range of specialized services, professional consultations, and intensive programs for a limited period generally ranging from 3 to 6 months. These accelerators assist in drafting business plans and economic models, enabling start-ups to achieve rapid growth.

Business-University Liaison Office (BLEU)

Its main objective is to strengthen the university's openness to, and engagement with, its socio-economic environment, especially by promoting scientific, technical and technological research. Enhancing the importance of degrees as an additional value for the universities, the office serves as an interface providing a source of impetus, advice, and support for university teams and their industrial partners

Languages of Instruction



The languages of instruction in Algeria are **Arabic**, **French**, and **English**, depending on the academic fields and specialisms chosen.

Students who do not master the language of instruction undergo an intensive training period at the Intensive Language Teaching Centers (CEIL) affiliated to their higher education institutions.

University services and Student Life



Accommodation

Student accommodation is provided by the National Office for University Services. The Algerian university services network consists of 66 university services directorates and 466 university residences spread across the country, accommodating more than 400,000 students, including international students

Catering

University restaurants offer students the opportunity to have nutritious and balanced meals, for breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

Transportation

Your student card gives you access to university transportation services ensuring shuttle services between university residences and higher education institutions (round trips). The mobile application, MyBus, provides students with all the necessary information, including bus schedules, bus stops and routes in each university city.

A mobile version of the application is available for students.

Health Coverage

Students have access to health care services within their institutions and university residences.

Medical teams composed of general practitioners, dental surgeons, nurses are equipped with all the necessary medical facilities. These teams provide medical care for all students during the academic year.

Leisure Activities

In collaboration with students' organizations and scientific clubs, the universities regularly organize scientific, cultural, tourist and sports activities for the benefit of all students.

University Holidays

During their academic year, students enjoy university holidays at the end of their semesters and have Winter, Spring and Summer breaks.

Join our Universities !



Enrollment of International Students

1) International Students: Legal Framework

In accordance to Presidential Decree No. **25-83** of **February 20, 2025,** which defines the conditions and procedures for admitting foreign students into Algerian higher education and training institutions, international students are eligible to enroll in Algerian universities provided that they are admitted by the host institution based on the number of available academic seats allocated annually, and that they cover the tuition fees required for their studies.

2) Enrollment Procedures

The application file must include the following documents:

- A certified translated copy of the diploma granting access to the desired academic program.
- A certified translated copy of academic transcripts from previous studies.
- A certificate of nationality, if applicable.
- A copy of the candidate's valid passport.
- A motivation letter.
- At least one letter of recommendation.
- A medical certificate confirming that the candidate is free from bacterial and/or contagious diseases.
- A recent passport-sized photograph

3) Authentication of Academic Documents

The authentication of academic documents is carried out by the relevant services of the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research. Following authentication of diplomas and verification of the submitted academic transcripts, the Equivalence Department issues two documents: a certificate of equivalence of the provided degree (in accordance with the Algerian Degrees classification) and a document establishing the equivalence of the grades provided in relation to a corresponding Algerian grid.

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