

Basic Info

- **Name:** Abdullah Al Salem University (AASU). Also spelled “Abdullah Al-Salem University.” [da.gov.kw+3aasu.edu.kw+3aasu.edu.kw+3](#)
 - **Type:** Public, English-medium, research-oriented university. [aasu.edu.kw+1](#)
 - **Established:** 2019 (by Amiri decree). [aasu.edu.kw+2da.gov.kw+2](#)
 - **Location:** Khaldiya Campus, Block 3, Firdous Street, Gate 1, Building 14, Kuwait. [pure.kfas.org.kw+1](#)
 - **Vision & Mission:** To contribute to Kuwait's socioeconomic development via innovation in education, creativity, entrepreneurship, by offering balanced academic, research, and outreach programs. It's also aligned with “New Kuwait (Vision 2035)” goals. [aasu.edu.kw+2Kuwait Times+2](#)
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Colleges & Majors (Programs Offered)

AASU has several colleges, some already active, others planned. They offer undergraduate (BSc), master's (MSc), and PhD programs. [aasu.edu.kw+5aasu.edu.kw+5aasu.edu.kw+5](#)

Here are the major colleges and their degree offerings:

College	Undergrad Majors	Grad / Master's & PhD Options	Notes
College of Business & Entrepreneurship	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Entrepreneurship & Innovation- Digital Marketing- Supply Chain & Logistics Management aasu.edu.kw+2aasu.edu.kw+2	Finance / Risk Management / FinTech is offered at graduate level. aasu.edu.kw+2aasu.edu.kw+2	Designed to address modern business needs with entrepreneurial and innovation orientation. aasu.edu.kw+1

College of Computing & Systems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Computer Systems Engineering - Software Engineering - Cyber Security Engineering - Data Science & Artificial Intelligence aasu.edu.kw+2aasu.edu.kw+2	Graduate programs in Cyber Security Engineering; Data Science & AI. aasu.edu.kw+1	Strong focus on emerging tech and digital transformation. aasu.edu.kw+1
College of Engineering & Energy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Biomedical & Instrumentation Engineering - Bio-Resources & Agricultural Engineering - Energy Systems Engineering - Environmental Engineering & Sustainability - Material Science & Engineering - Robotics & Mechatronics Engineering aasu.edu.kw+1	Graduate (MSc / PhD) in Energy Systems Engineering, Biomedical Engineering, etc. aasu.edu.kw+2pure.kfas.org.kw+2	These programs are newer; they emphasize sustainability, energy, advanced materials. aasu.edu.kw+1
College of Health & Medicine	This is being planned/established. aasu.edu.kw+2ntec.com.kw+2	Will offer medical degrees (MD etc.), health sciences, possibly collaboration with external institutions (e.g. King's College London). ntec.com.kw	Not yet fully functional in many programs as of the latest info. The planning is in progress. ntec.com.kw
Faculty for Integrative / English / Preparatory Studies	Provides general education / preparatory courses (English, maths, IT, etc.) for all students. aasu.edu.kw+2aasu.edu.kw+2	Not a major-granting college, focuses on preparing students for their majors. aasu.edu.kw	

Admission Requirements & Criteria

Here are some key admission requirements and how admissions are decided:

- **High School Grades (Secondary School):**
 - For science track students: minimum ~80%. aasu.edu.kw+1
 - For arts graduates (in business college): minimum ~85%. aasu.edu.kw+1
 - **Comparative Percentage Calculation:** They use a weighted formula combining high school grade + English exam score + Math exam score. The weights differ somewhat by college. aasu.edu.kw+1
 - **For graduate programs:** Need relevant bachelor's in a related field, with GPA minimum of ~3.0/4.0. aasu.edu.kw+1
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Research Centers

AASU has (or is creating) multiple research centers focused on current priorities in Kuwait and the region. These centers support the academic programs and aim to produce research aligned with national goals. aasu.edu.kw+2Kuwait Times+2

Here are some of the centers:

- Cyber Security & Digital Transformation Kuwait Times+3aasu.edu.kw+3aasu.edu.kw+3
 - Data Science & Artificial Intelligence aasu.edu.kw+2aasu.edu.kw+2
 - Resource, Energy, and Sustainability aasu.edu.kw+1
 - Advanced Material Science and Engineering aasu.edu.kw+1
 - Marine and Coastal Research Kuwait Times+1
 - Quantitative Finance & Risk Management aasu.edu.kw+1
 - Research in Entrepreneurship & Innovation aasu.edu.kw+1
 - Health and Wellbeing aasu.edu.kw
 - Innovative Learning / Future of Work aasu.edu.kw
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Status & Future Plans

- The university is relatively new; first admissions and classes began around **2023-2024**. [da.gov.kw+2aasu.edu.kw+2](#)
 - The **College of Health & Medicine** is still under development, in partnership with e.g. King's College London. [ntec.com.kw](#)
 - More programs are being added gradually; some majors are marked “new” in the recent admission cycles. [aasu.edu.kw](#)
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Strengths, Challenges & Opportunities

Strengths:

- Focus on modern, emerging fields (AI, cybersecurity, sustainability, advanced engineering).
- English language instruction may ease opportunities internationally.
- Strong alignment with Kuwait's Vision 2035, which emphasizes diversification, innovation, knowledge economy. [aasu.edu.kw+1](#)
- Research centers are wide in scope, which helps build capacity.
- Emphasis on collaborations (e.g. with King's College London) enhances credibility. [ntec.com.kw](#)

Possible Challenges:

- As a new university, still building up faculty, infrastructure, reputation.
- Some majors / colleges are not yet fully operational (e.g. Medicine & Health).
- Competition with established universities; students might be unsure about recognition abroad in some fields.