



## **Access and Participation Policy**

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## 1. Purpose:

The purpose of this Access and Participation Policy is to formally state our non-discriminatory access and participation position regarding the entire student journey through the processes of application, acceptance, entry, and participation. The University treats all applicants, students and alumni equally regardless of their religion, nationality, ethnicity, gender, age or other characteristics.

## 2. Scope:

This policy applies to all University locations and University staff.

Any unauthorised deviation by staff from following this policy and supporting procedures and documents may be subject to disciplinary procedures.

## 3. Introduction

The British University in Egypt operates within the framework of Egyptian educational law and regulations. It implements and follows the admission regulations set by the Egyptian Supreme Council of Private and National Universities. Our University provides a British-style education that adheres to UK quality assurance and academic standards.

The University is recognised for its educational excellence and robust academic governance. As one of the few Egyptian Higher Education institutions to offer 'dual degrees', where students undertake awards validated by Egypt's Supreme Council of Universities and one of the University's UK Validating Partners, we provide a double-layer of quality assurance through compliance with each country's standards.

## 4. Accreditation and compliance

The University is accredited by the Supreme Council of Universities, the only designated official entity in Egypt for the recognition and equivalence of academic qualifications and degrees awarded by universities and institutions that are not subject to Universities Law No. 49 or foreign Higher Education institutions.

The University complies with the legislative and educational requirements of the Egyptian Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research, and operates in accordance with the National Authority for Quality Assurance & Accreditation of Education's (NAQAEE) quality and standards systems and frameworks, meeting all requirements of the Egyptian National Academic Reference Standards (NARS). NAQAEE is the regulatory authority for accreditation in Egypt under the supervision of His Excellency, the Egyptian Prime Minister.

Through its UK Validating Partners, the University demonstrates adherence to the UK Quality Code, Framework for Higher Education Qualifications, Subject Benchmarks, and Undergraduate and Postgraduate Characteristics Statements.

The University is accredited by the UK Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education following the QAA's International Quality Review and demonstrates achievement of the 10 European Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance. It is the first QAA-accredited university in Egypt and North Africa, and the second academic institution in the whole continent of Africa to receive this accreditation.

The British University in Egypt has International Membership of Advance HE, with many of its teaching staff members achieving professional certification as Associate Fellows (AFHEA), Fellows (FHEA) and Senior Fellows (SFHEA) against Advance HE's UK Professional Standards Framework, Postgraduate Qualifications in Teaching and Learning, and doctorates.

The British University in Egypt became a signatory of the Magna Charta Universitatum (Great Charter of Universities), joining over 950 universities from more than 90 countries around the world in their dedication to the principles of academic freedom, institutional autonomy, community service, preservation of humanity and sustainability, and the promotion of prosperity and enlightenment across the globe. By signing this charter, the University declared its commitment to advancing and upholding these shared principles, values, and responsibilities.

## 5. Access and Participation

The British University in Egypt takes pride in attracting and recruiting talented people to study its programmes, and works closely with prospective students, parents, teachers, school counsellors, and other stakeholders to raise awareness of the University's academic and extracurricular provision, opportunities, strengths, and values.

The University is committed to supporting student and graduate success, with the BUE Alumni Association maintaining strong relationships with graduates.

Our Alumni association plays a crucial role in attracting and recruiting potential students and is open to all our graduates. They serve as ambassadors who share their positive experiences with others and encourage them to consider The British University in Egypt for their higher education. By staying connected with our alumni, we not only build a strong network but also provide opportunities for our current students to benefit from their experiences and insights.

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The British University in Egypt is proud of its non-discriminatory access and participation record. We are committed to providing an exceptional learning experience and environment that prepares **all** our students for a successful future.