

FAQ - Frequently Asked Questions

Exchange Semester - German Jordanian University

Application period

Where can I find current course lists?

Thus, the course lists getting upgraded each semester, there might be some deviations to the lists you received in advance. Therefore from time to time the Learning Agreements have to be adjusted during the registration period. To avoid any kind of frustration and dissatisfaction, GJU always does its best to offer you all the courses, which are requested, or to provide you with adequate alternative courses.

Whom can I contact for detailed information concerning the offered courses?

The courses at GJU are offered by different schools/departments. On the course lists you will find the name of the instructors, which you can contact for more detailed information. In case there is no response you should contact the administration staff of the responsible school (You find their contacts on the official website of their school). The abbreviation N.A. (not applicable) means that no lecturer has been assigned to the specific course yet. Please note that the IO is not able to provide detailed information of each course at GJU.

Is it possible to make changes to the Learning Agreement?

Our experiences have shown that changes to the Learning Agreements are done quite frequently. Almost every time the adjustments were to the satisfaction of the students and fulfilled the requirements of the sending universities as well.

Pre-arriving period

Do I have to apply a visa for Jordan in advance?

EU, US

and Canadian Citizenship holders do not have to apply for a visa in advance. You can purchase a one-month visa at the airport for the current price of 40 JOD or in combination with the Jordan Pass free.

Students from other nationalities need to contact the Jordanian Embassy at their place of stay.

What is the 'Jordan Pass'? In which cases it is useful to get one.

The Jordan Pass is a package especially designed for tourists in Jordan to enable them visiting top sights and attractions while saving time, money and efforts. But

please note, that the Jordan Pass is only valuable during the first month of your stay. For that reason we recommend the Jordan Pass for Arabic summer course students only. For more information, please visit this website: https://www.jordanpass.jo/Contents/What_is_Jordan_Pass.aspx

Does the GJU offers a health insurance for Incoming students?

The German Jordanian University offers all incoming students an obligatory health insurance, that enables you to get medical care on campus. In an urgent case you will also get medical care at a hospital. We recommend to all incoming students to take out an additional international health insurance.

During the stay

How can I reach the GJU Campus the best way?

There are GJU Buses and public transportation options (buses) available.

Is it possible to visit neighboring countries during my stay in Jordan?

Jordan is located in a region of enormous cultural and religious richness. Nevertheless, the events in the neighboring countries should be considered. Most of the students using their stay in Jordan to visit Israel/Palestine. Crossing the border is possible, but will probably take some time. There are

two main border crossings, which can be easily reached from Amman. You do not need to request a visa in advance. There is also no need for a second passport.

The International Office is not able to state every visa requirements of all neighboring countries, since it often depends on personal issues (i.e. nationality) or the country specific regularities (i.e. religion, security). Please contact the respective national foreign ministry or the Auswärtige Amt for information:

<https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/de>

Is there a certain kind of dress code in Jordan?

Women should avoid showing their shoulders or wearing shorts/skirts that are not covering the knees. For men shorts are also something unusual and in the Islamic context not accepted. Yet the kind of clothing depends on the area, a Western-orientated dress style is quite normal and can be found in the modern areas of Amman and also on the Campus of GJU.

Can I live with a host family instead of renting a flat or sharing one?

Yes, it is possible to find a host family and live with it. It is actually the best possibility to learn the language and to gain a deep and profound insight in the daily life of Jordanian families. The contact to the families must be made personally and will not be guaranteed from the IO, yet the IO organized a Facebook group for host families and students who want to experience life with families. Please contact: Rakan.Aldweiri@gju.edu.jo or Fadi.Altwal@gju.edu.jo to gain entrance in the closed group.

What are the language requirements? / Which language certificates do we need?

The language of instruction at GJU is English (B1-B2 required).

For the ALC Program an Arabic of B1- B2 is required.

What activities could be done in Madaba?

The area around and in Madaba offers a lot of touristic attractions, nature sides and well-priced shopping facilities. Outstanding sights are the Dead Sea (by car around 45 minutes from Madaba), the Jabal Nebo (already mentioned in the Bible, offering a view till Israel/Palestine, around 15 min from Madaba), the Church of the Map (St. George's Church Mabada, containing the oldest map of the Levantine in the world). Natural sights, which are close to Madaba, are Wadi al Hidan, Wadi Jadid

and so on. Please check also on <http://www.visitjordan.com/> or on <https://www.tripadvisor.com/ShowForum-g293985-i2131-Jordan.html>

What are the prerequisites for students in MBA courses GJU?

If you want to take courses from the MBA program at the Graduate School of Business you must be enrolled as MA student at your home university.

What are the prerequisites for students at the Social Work Master program at GJU ?

You need to be a MA student in Social Work or related fields at your home university.