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Quality Assurance & Accreditation Board

“Domains & Timeline Process of Accreditation of Academic Programs”

- ❖ AARU Quality Assurance & Accreditation Board
- ❖ Domains of Accreditation of Academic Programs
- ❖ Accreditation Timeline Process

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Challenges Facing Arab Universities

❑ Major challenges facing Arab Universities :

- ✓ Quality of the Curriculum
- ✓ Graduate Employability



- ✓ Teaching and Learning Practices
- ✓ Poor Research Outcomes
- ✓ Inadequate faculty Skills
- ✓ ...

Quality Assurance & Accreditation Board (QAAB)

In response to these challenges, establishment of :

Quality Assurance & Accreditation Board (QAAB)

- ❑ *Mission is to assist Arab Universities to improve their quality, through:*
 - ✓ *Spreading of the culture of QA*
 - ✓ *Preparing QA guides*
 - ✓ *Provide advice and training to support the process of QA*
 - ✓ *Accreditation for institutions and programs*





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- ❖ Domains of Accreditation of Academic Programs

Domains of accreditation of academic programs

- ❑ The general framework of the domains adopted by the QAAB of the AArU for assuring the quality of the academic programs consists of

10-Ten Major Domains of the Academic Program Quality

- ❑ Includes a *set of elements and indicators* used in writing and evaluating the academic program quality.

Domains of accreditation of academic programs

- ❑ Domains are used by the academic departments at the educational institutions at all levels
 - ✓ Making self-evaluation of their academic programs by preparing the **Self-Evaluation Report (SER)** of these programs.
 - ✓ Identifying the **strengths and weaknesses** of these programs with a view to **improving and developing** the offered academic program.
- ❑ SER is used by the **internal and External Evaluation & Review Teams (EERT)** as a basis for evaluating academic programs .

Domains of accreditation of academic programs

Domain 1: Learning objectives and Learning outcomes

المحور الاول: أهداف البرنامج ومخرجات التعلم

Domain 2: Curriculum

المحور الثاني: المنهاج الدراسي

Domain 3: Teaching and learning

المحور الثالث: التعليم والتعلم

Domain 4: Faculty members

المحور الرابع: أعضاء هيئة التدريس

Domain 5: Library and learning resources

المحور الخامس: المكتبة ومصادر التعلم

Domains of accreditation of academic programs

Domain 6: Students performance and progression

المحور السادس: تقدم الطلبة وتقويم أدائهم

Domain 7: Facilities and Support Services

المحور السابع: المرافق والخدمات المساندة

Domain 8: Academic Program Management

المحور الثامن: إدارة البرنامج الأكاديمي

Domain 9: Scientific research and external communication

المحور التاسع: البحث العلمي والتواصل الخارجي

Domain 10: Managing and improving quality

المحور العاشر: إدارة الجودة وتحسينها



AARU Quality Assurance & Accreditation Board: Standards & Timeline Process of Accreditation of Academic Programs

- ❖ **Accreditation Timeline Process**

Accreditation Timeline 10-Months Process

Pre-requirements:

- ✓ Institution has graduated no less than three cohorts from the academic program to be evaluated.
- ✓ Self-evaluation report (SER) of the academic program to be evaluated must be prepared in accordance with the details of the guidelines of the QAAB, and shall be attached to the application.
- ✓ Academic program evaluation fees, as determined by the QAAB, shall be paid.

Institution
requests
accreditation for
programs
Prepares and
submits Self-
Evaluation Report

- Institution submits an application for obtaining a quality & accreditation certificate for the academic program
- Application shall be endorsed by the Board of that institution and attached with the SER

Accreditation Timeline 10-Months Process

- ✓ Institution notified with one of the following options:
 - Granting;
 - Conditional Granting;
 - Withholding

