

BUILDING ON EXCELLENCE



OUR HISTORY

Birzeit University is the first and the leading institution of higher education in Palestine. It started as a small school for girls in the village of Birzeit in 1924, became a boys and girls high school in 1930, then a community college in 1942 that had special relationship to the American University in Beirut where many of its graduates continued their studies. In 1972, it became a four-year university and graduated its first class in 1976.

Despite severe restrictions imposed by the Israeli military occupation, such as the forced exile of its founder and first president, Dr. Hanna Nasir, Birzeit University blazed a trail for the expansion of higher education in Palestine and its graduates dominate the leadership ranks in the political, social, cultural, and economic spheres. Its dedication to academic excellence, community engagement, and the national struggle for freedom and justice have made it the most sought after university for generations of students.



THE UNIVERSITY IN A BRIEF

MORE THAN 13,000 BA STUDENTS, 1,300 GRADUATE STUDENTS & 428 FACULTY MEMBERS

The university is the oldest and one of the largest institutions of higher education in Palestine. It has a community that comprises more than 14,743 students, including undergraduate, graduate and diploma students, in addition to 428 full-time faculty members.

9 FACULTIES, 127 ACDAMIC PROGRAMS & 3 PH.D PROGRAMS

Through its nine faculties, the university offers numerous academic programs that lead to bachelor's and master's degrees. The university also offers 3 Ph.D. programs in social sciences, computer science and mathematics.

11 INSTITUTES & CENTERS

The eleven institutes and centers serve the local community by assessing its social, cultural, economic and political needs to achieve sustainable development and academic and research excellence.

50,800 ALUMNI UNTIL 2021/2022






The university supports the Palestinian community by fostering qualified alumni who hold leading positions in the public and private sectors and in regional and international organizations.

OUR MISSION

A non-profit university, overseen by an independent Board of Trustees, committed to freedom of thought and expression, democratic practices and social diversity. The university offers distinguished and globally engaged teaching, research and community-based programs designed to cultivate leadership skills, national and humanitarian values, critical thinking, lifelong learning and a spirit of initiative and responsibility towards society and the environment in the context of an institutional culture of shared governance.



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OUR VALUES

- PATRIOTISM
- JUSTICE
- EQUALITY
- DIVERSITY
- LIFE-LONG LEARNING
- ACADEMIC FREEDOM
- GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT
- ACADEMIC FREEDOM
- FREEDOM OF OPINION AND EXPRESSION
- INTEGRITY AND PROFESSIONALISM
- COMMITMENT TO THE RIGHT TO EDUCATION
- SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
- ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS
- ACCOUNTABILITY AND SHARED GOVERNANCE
- LIFE-LONG LEARNING



FACTS & FIGURES

Academic year 2022/2023

127+
Academic programs

500+
Partner universities

70%
Green gardens and open areas



Student Aid

7.6
Million USD

45% Scholarships, fee waivers,

35 Main building that comprise **9** Faculties **7** Institutes **4** Centers **4** Libraries **5** Sports fields



Clinic



Gymnasium



Museum



Auditorium



Observatory



Stadium



Wastewater treatment plant



Solar power plants



Dorm

OUR FACULTIES

Arts



Science



Engineering and Technology



Graduate Studies and Research



Business and Economics



Pharmacy, Nursing and Health Professions



Law and Public Administration



Education



Art, Music and Design



OUR INSTITUTES & CENTERS

- Institute of Community and Public Health
- Institute of Environmental and Water Studies
- Institute of Law
- Samih Darwazeh Institute for Pharmaceutical Industries
- Center for Development Studies
- Testing Laboratories
- Ibrahim Abu Lughod Institute of International Studies
- Institute of Women's Studies
- Muwatin Institute for Democracy and Human Rights
- Center for Continuing Education
- Media Development Center
- Birzeit University Museum