

NUR Criteria and Weights (2021)

1. Academic Staffs

#	Criteria	Weight%
I.1	Student/Academic staff ratio [1]	4
I.2	Student/Professor ratio [2]	2
I.3	Student/Assistant Professor ratio [3]	2
I.4	Academic staff/department [4]	1
I.5	International Association Senior membership [5]	1
Total =		10

2. Scientific Research

#	Criteria	Weight%
II.1	Journals Issued by the University and indexed by SCOPUS or Clarivate Analytics (WoS) [6]	1
II.2	Total Impact Factor of quality Journals' publications indexed by Clarivate Analytics (WoS) [7]	20
II.3	Number of published journal papers indexed by Clarivate Analytics (WoS) and/or SCOPUS [8]	6
II.4	Number of papers published by local journal inside Kurdistan Region, without indexing [9]	4
II.5	Number of scientific book/chapterbook published by famous publisher [10]	2
II.6	International patents [11]	1
II.7	Local patents [12]	1
II.8	Google Scholar Citation [13]	2
Total =		37

3. National and International Scientific Activities

#	Criteria	Weight%
III.1	Number of international students at the University [14]	1
III.2	Number of international teaching-staff at the University [15]	1
III.3	Number of exchanges international students at the University [16]	1
III.4	Number of exchanges international teaching-staff at the University [17]	1
III.5	Holding training courses [18]	1
III.6	Hosting and sponsoring national conferences/symposium/workshops/forum [19]	1
III.7	Hosting and sponsoring International workshops/forum [20]	1
III.8	Hosting and sponsoring International conferences [21]	2
III.9	Holding joint work and projects with international universities and scientific bodies [22]	3
III.10	Achievement of academic awards, scientific prizes and medals [23]	2
Total =		14

4. Student Satisfaction

#	Criteria	Weight%
IV	Student Satisfaction	3
Total =		3

5. Quality

#	Criteria	Weight%
V.1	Classroom space in (sq meter) [24]	1
V.2	Accommodation space in (sq meter) [25]	1
V.3	Green area and University park in (sq meter) [26]	1
V.4	Space for sports activities in (sq meter) [27]	1
V.5	Ranking Web of Universities (Webometrics) [28]	3
V.6	QS World University Rankings [29]	1
V.7	Times Higher Education World University Rankings [30]	1
V.8	Teaching Quality Assurance Scoring [31]	4
V.9	Teaching Quality e-System [32]	6
V.10	Alumni [33]	1
V.11	Accreditation [34]	5
V.12	Health and safety [35]	2
Total =		27

6. Cultural and Community Activities

#	Criteria	Weight%
VI.1	Sport activities [36]	1
VI.2	Art activities [37]	1
VI.3	Community- University partnership projects [38]	1
VI.4	Projects that serve the society and become financial income for the university [39]	1
VI.5	Securing grants for the University [40]	2
Total =		6

7. Library

#	Criteria	Weight%
VII.1	e-Library system with at least 10000 book titles [41]	1
VII.2	Number of International scientific journal titles (e/hard) subscribed by the University [42]	1
VII.3	Space of the reading halls at the Library [43]	1
Total =		3

Total Weight

100

[1] 10 students per 1 academic-staff.

- The academic staff has the right to belongs to 2 affiliations, only.
- More than 2 belongings (affiliations) are not accepted.
- The visiting academic staff should have no less than 12 months contract with the University.
- The staff is considered with his home university for any type of activities, e.g., citation, research paper, etc.
- Both undergraduate and post-graduate, including higher diploma, students are considered.

[2] 100 students per 1 professor.

[3] 50 students per 1 assistant professor.

[4] 10 academic staff per 1 department.

- At least, 7 Milak staff per 1 department. No averaging is applied and the departments will be treated individually.
- Each department should fulfil the above conditions.

[5] 1 senior member per 100 teaching staff.

- "Senior membership" includes: Senior member, fellow member and Honorary Fellow, exclusively.
- The membership is considered for the Milak staff, only.

[6] The journal should be indexed by SCOPUS or Clarivate Analytics (WoS). The indexing date should be before 31st August .

[7] The IF is the one that listed by JCR of (WoS) Clarivate Analytics.

- 1 IF per 2 academics.
- The 1st till the 10th authors are considered, only.
- The conditions of publishing a scientific paper are applied, i.e., the published paper shows the metadata page that includes the full authors' names, full affiliation including the scientific department, and no more than two affiliations per author.
- A research center affiliation (available physically) is accepted for Milak staff only.

[8] 1 journal published paper per 2 academic staff.

- The journal paper should published in a Journal that indexed either by Clarivate Analytics or SCOPUS.
- For SCOPUS:
 - Q1 has 100% weight.
 - Q2 has 75% weight.
 - Q3 has 50% weight.
 - Q4 has 25% weight.
- 2 indexed-conference papers are equivalent to 1 indexed journal paper.
- The conditions of publishing a scientific paper is applied.
- The 1st till the 10th authors are considered, only.

[9] The scoring is based on whether the journal is a member or not a member of DOAJ.

- Local journal that is a member of DOAJ: 1 published paper per 2 academic staff.
- 1 WoS-indexed-published paper = 2 national published papers with DOAJ.
- 1 SCOPUS-indexed published paper = 1 national published paper with DOAJ.
- 1 indexed conference paper = 1 national published paper with DOAJ.
- 2 non-indexed local conference papers with doi is equivalent to 1 journal paper.
- The conditions of publishing a scientific paper are applied.
- Local Journal that is not a member of DOAJ: 1 published paper per 1 academic staff.
- Books published inside Kurdistan with ISBN and available online on the ISBN portal = 4 national published papers with DOAJ.

[10] For Books:

- The 1st author: 1 published book per 100 academic staff and
- The the 2nd author: 1 published book per 75 academic staff.
- The 3rd author: 1 published book per 50 academic staff.
- The 4th author and later are not considered.

For a chapterbook :

- No more than 10 Author's order per chapterbook is accepted.
- The 1st author: 1 published chapterbook per 50 academic staff.
- The 2nd author: 1 published chapterbook per 45 academic staff.
- The 10th author: 1 published chapterbook per 5 academic staff.

The book publisher should be listed by Web of Science. Check the publishers list in the NUR website.

[11] 1 International patent per University.

- The International patent should be available in WIPO portal.
- The university affiliation is a compulsory.
- The patent should belong to a Milak staff, only.

[12] 1 Iraqi patent per University.

- The patent should be given by the Iraqi Central Organization for Standardization and Quality Control (COSQC). A certificate is needed. The university affiliation is a compulsory.
- The patent should belong to a Milak staff, only.

[13] Google Scholar Citation report is considered.

- Citations from the University profile (DNS) profile are collected and divided by the university staff number, after EXCLUDING the top ten profiles.
- The citation list should be for the staff-members (Milak), retired with no any other University affiliation, or a visiting lecture.
- Citation that belongs to a staff with two affiliations will be cancelled.
- One fake citation page will discount the score by 50% and two or more fake citation pages will score zero.
- Any staff with incorrect citations will be EXCLUDED.
- The citations will be collected in July and December then averaged.
- The photo and affiliation of the staff are compulsory.
- The highest citation that any University will get, gives it the full score. Other universities with less citations are scored, relatively and accordingly.

[14] 1 international student (single non- Iraqi passport) against 50 national students.

[15] 1 international staff (single non-Iraqi passport) against each 25 national staff.

[16] 1 exchanged student against each 100 students. The exchange program should be available in the University website with all details.

[17] 1 exchanged staff against each 100 staff. The exchange program should be available online on the University website with all details.

[18] 1 training course held by the University per 25 academic staff.

- The training course should not be less than 6 working days, not less than 24 hr.
- The training course should be a scientific training course and available in English language on the University website with all details within two weeks after the event.

[19] 2 national conferences/symposium/workshops/Forum per 1 department.

- The event should be available in English language on the University website with all details within two weeks after the event.

[20] 1 International workshops per 1 department.

- The event should be available in English language on the University website with all details within two weeks after the event.

[21] 2 international conferences per University.

- For joint conferences, the score will be divided among the organizers.
- The conference is not considered unless it is available in a websites and the presented papers are published in a standard platform with DOI assigned to each paper or the presentations are deposited to an indexed repository.

[22] 1 International activity per 1 department, e.g, joint MSc and PhD Project, dual-degree, etc. that should be approved by the Ministry in advance.

- Personal joint MSc and PhD projects are not considered.
- The activity should be available with all details in English language on the websites of both universities or at least the University abroad.

[23] 2 prizes per University; one in Science and another in Social Science.

- The prize is considered for the Milak staff, only.

- List of the awards are in the page:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Q6i-KgQtIMsxoTlsg9qzXwwlQGGjQJD7/view?usp=sharing>

[24] The minimum classroom space per student is 2.5 sqm.

[25] The minimum student's accommodation are is 8 sqm per student.

[26] The green area and university park is 4 sqm per student, as a minimum.

[27] The University should allocate a minimum of 25000 sqm for sport activities.

[28] 3 points for the Webometrics university ranking.

- The rank 1 get full score.

- The score is the average of the January and July Webometrics Editions.

[29] 1 point for the QS World ranking.

- The rank 1 get full score.

[30] 1 point for the THE ranking.

- The rank 1 get full score.

[31] 4 points for the QA activities.

- 1 points fo SF,

- 1 point for the PF, and

- 2 points for the CAD.

[32] 6 points for e-system:

- Academic profile = 1 point,

- Portfolio and CAD site = 1 point,

- QA activities scoring platform = 1 point,

- Student feedback e-system = 1 point, and

- e-learning system (LMS; Moodle, Google Apps., etc.) = 2 points.

- Peer review will be on August-September.

- The final scoring is one of the following: 0%, 0.25%, 50%, 75%, or 100%.

[33] Evaluated based on the University Alumni website, database, tracking the alumni and the services given by the University to the students.

[34] 5 points for the University different accreditations.

- 0.75 point per 1 program (department) international Accreditation

- 1.5 points per international institutional accreditation.

- The University website should show the accreditation in details and necessary certificates.

- Any university has a plan to get accreditation should contact QA-MHE to get approval on the accreditation body, first.

- The previous accredited programs and institutions with ZEVA and ASIC are still approved and accepted, if they are still valid.

[35] Evaluated based on the report of Safety and Health Directorate at the MHE.

[36] 0.1 point per each activity. The event should be available in English language on the University website with all details within two weeks after the event.

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[38] 1 project per 1 department. The event should be available in English language on the University website.

[39] 1 project per 4 scientific departments. The event should be available in English language on the university website.

[40] 1000\$ per 1 academic staff. The event should be available in English language on the university website with all details and information, no later than one month. The grant does not include sponsoring workshops and conference.

[41] e-Library system with at least 10000 book titles available via the University intranet or a database management system.

[42] 10 subscribed e/hard indexed journals per 1 department, excluding the KRG-Universities journals

[43] 2.5 sqm per 100 students. The space is for the reading hall itself, only.