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Introduction:

The educational program is a well-planned set of courses that include procedures and experiences arranged in the form of an academic syllabus. Its main goal is to improve and build graduates' skills so they are ready for the job market. The program is reviewed and evaluated every year through internal or external audit procedures and programs like the External Examiner Program.

The academic program description is a short summary of the main features of the program and its courses. It shows what skills students are working to develop based on the program's goals. This description is very important because it is the main part of getting the program accredited, and it is written by the teaching staff together under the supervision of scientific committees in the scientific departments.

This guide, in its second version, includes a description of the academic program after updating the subjects and paragraphs of the previous guide in light of the updates and developments of the educational system in Iraq, which included the description of the academic program in its traditional form (annual, quarterly), as well as the adoption of the academic program description circulated according to the letter of the Department of Studies T 3/2906 on 3/5/2023 regarding the programs that adopt the Bologna Process as the basis for their work.

In this regard, we can only emphasize the importance of writing an academic programs and course description to ensure the proper functioning of the educational process.

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Speech of the honorable Dean of the College

In the name of God, the most gracious, the most merciful

Praise be to God, Lord of the Worlds, and prayers and peace be upon Muhammad and his good and pure family

In order for a work to be successful, especially in an educational institution such as dentistry at Al-Kafeel University, which raised the slogan “Al-Kafeel First,” we must be very careful and follow up diligently in starting the work, in the midst of the work, and in completing the work. We must carefully understand the details of the work, plan the work mechanism, and master all work steps up to the point. To achieve its goals

Working in the spirit of one team for the sake of a task is sufficient to accomplish it in a mature and integrated manner that embodies the cohesion of the team’s visions to formulate the desired results.

This strategic plan was prepared to represent the college’s desire for advancement and leadership in the educational process. The college is also considered the hope and aspiration of the university and the ministry to achieve the vision, and on the other hand, it is considered the hope of the community to secure its professional, scientific and educational needs.

My prayers to those responsible and working in this scientific edifice for success in implementing this plan and achieving the desired goals

Peace, mercy and blessings of God

Assistant Professor Dr. Kareem Naem

Dean of college

An introductory overview of the college

The College of Dentistry was established at Al-Kafeel University in 2011, as it is considered the third oldest private dental college in Iraq, expressing the community's need for this specialty. Classes are in the morning and in English. The number of graduating batches is 8 batches of distinguished dentists until the year 2023, where the graduate is awarded a bachelor's degree in oral and dental medicine and surgery.

Nature of the study

The number of years of study is 5 years in twelve subspecialties, including 3 years in studying the basic sciences of theoretical and practical dentistry in educational laboratories, and two years in studying theoretical and practical clinical sciences in treating patients in the mouth and teeth in clinics located within the teaching hospital affiliated with the college and under the supervision of various specialized professors. Scientific titles, where treatments are provided free of charge to patients, and students are also equipped with all tools and materials for dental treatments.

Infrastructure

The College of Dentistry consists of two buildings, the first of which is 1,800 square meters with five floors and includes four classrooms equipped with the latest technologies and educational means, and 12 laboratories that were established according to international standards, in addition to the administrative wing, a library, and other annexes. The second building includes a 2,400 m² teaching hospital distributed over four floors, containing the administrative wing and a study hall, in addition to 150 dental units

distributed among 8 specialized clinics to train fourth and fifth year students.

Description of the graduate

The graduate can join the Iraqi Dentists Syndicate and be appointed centrally in health centers affiliated with the Ministry of Health and apply for postgraduate studies. The graduated dentist can also treat various pathological conditions in the mouth and teeth: conservative treatment of fillings, root fillings, installation of fixed and removable teeth, and extraction operations. Ordinary and surgical teeth, surgical operations, performing various orthodontic treatments, treating various pediatric dental cases, preventive measures, treating gum diseases, and participating in a field survey in community dentistry.

The main elements of the strategic plan Vision

A prestigious college locally and internationally with an exemplary educational environment in dental sciences.

the message

Following the latest approved standards and consolidating scientific research to prepare qualified dental cadres to suit the needs of society and modernity in the profession.

Objectives

1. Qualifying cadres capable of diagnosing, treating and following up on patients.
2. Transferring dental knowledge and skills through university education, continuing education, and postgraduate studies.
3. Promoting moral values and responsibility in providing health care.
4. Involving students in keeping up with and developing knowledge through scientific research.

Analysis of the working conditions and environment in the college

Study and identify the strengths and weaknesses of the college's internal environment

First: strengths

The Faculty of Dentistry at Al-Kafeel University has many strengths in its internal environment, which contribute to providing high-quality education and training to students. These strengths include:

1. The presence of a documented vision, mission, and goals:

The College of Dentistry has a documented and declared vision, mission, and goals through which the institution moves towards achieving the goals in practice, which contributes to identifying trends and improving performance.

2. Advanced education systems:

The College of Dentistry provides an advanced educational environment using the latest techniques and technology in the teaching and learning process.

3. Scientific research:

Supporting and developing the teaching staff of the College of Dentistry to use the latest methods to develop scientific research and publishing skills in solid international fields with advanced impact factors and to complete research that serves society and the labor market.

4. Faculty members:

The College of Dentistry at Al-Kafeel University includes faculty members with extensive experience and knowledge in the field of dentistry and allied sciences.

5. Modern facilities:

The College of Dentistry at Al-Kafeel University has modern and well-equipped facilities for educating and training students. These facilities include classrooms, well-equipped laboratories, a medical library, and specialty clinics.

6. Solid academic programs:

The College of Dentistry at Al-Kafeel University offers solid academic programs that meet national and international accreditation requirements. Academic programs focus on preparing students to practice dentistry professionally.

7. Community participation:

Al-Kafeel University College of Dentistry is actively involved in the local community. The college provides health care services to the local community and organizes educational programs for the community.

8. Striving for reliability:

9. The College of Dentistry seeks to achieve the necessary conditions and standards to obtain local and international accreditation to enhance the college's position in educational institutions.

10. Updating the curricula:

The College of Dentistry is distinguished by modernizing and developing curricula in response to recent developments in the field of dentistry and maxillofacial surgery, to qualify students to keep pace with modern medical technologies and innovations.

11. Increasing growth in acceptance

The College of Dentistry at Al-Kafeel University records a remarkable growth in the number of students applying and

accepted annually, noting a high increase in the number of students accepted to the university.

These strengths contribute to creating a positive and rewarding educational and training environment for students at the College of Dentistry at Al-Kafeel University.

Second: Weak points:

Al-Kafeel University College of Dentistry has many strengths, but there are also some weaknesses that can be improved. These vulnerabilities include:

1. Size of clinics:

The clinics of the Faculty of Dentistry at Al-Kafeel University are relatively small, with approximately 300 students enrolled for the previous two years. This can lead to difficulty in providing the distinguished training that the university aspires to develop and providing clinics equipped with the latest modern technologies.

2. Cultural diversity:

Al-Kafeel University College of Dentistry is a local college, with a majority of students from Iraq. This can lead to a lack of cultural diversity, which may impact students' educational experience.

3. Community participation:

Al-Kafeel University College of Dentistry is actively involved in the local community, but the level of participation could be improved. This can increase awareness of the importance of dentistry in the local community, and provide health care services to people in need, especially those with special needs.

Study and identify opportunities and threats in the external environment surrounding the college

Third: Opportunities

The Faculty of Dentistry at Al-Kafeel University faces a range of opportunities in its surrounding external environment. These opportunities include:

1. Increased demand for health services:

The healthcare industry in Iraq is growing rapidly, leading to increased demand for health services, including dental services.

2. Technological progress:

The field of dentistry is witnessing rapid technological progress, creating new opportunities for innovation and scientific research that serve society and the workplace.

3. Growing interest in oral and dental health:

People are becoming more aware of the importance of oral health, leading to increased demand for preventive and cosmetic dental services.

4. Activating international partnerships:

Concluding joint cooperation agreements with advanced international universities and research centers can increase opportunities for academic knowledge exchange as well as joint scientific research.

Al-Kafeel University College of Dentistry can benefit from these opportunities by developing its academic and training programs to meet the growing demand for health services, conducting research in areas related to technological

advancement, and providing awareness programs about the importance of oral and dental health.

Fourth: Threats

Challenges and threats in the surrounding external environment:
These challenges include the following:

1. Economic conditions:

Iraq suffers from relatively unstable economic conditions, which may affect ensuring students are able to afford education.

2. The large numbers of graduated dentists in Iraq:

Which may create a lack of demand in the labor market for graduates.

3. Immigration:

Many Iraqis are migrating abroad in search of better opportunities, which may lead to a shortage of teaching doctors and dentists in Iraq.

Al-Kafeel University College of Dentistry can overcome these challenges **by taking the following actions:**

1. Providing scholarships for students:

Increasing scholarships can help students defray the cost of education, contributing to greater diversity at the college.

2. Developing competitive programs:

The college's competitive programs can help attract the best students and staff, helping to develop the college and improve the quality of education and training.

The college's strategic goals

The College of Dentistry at Al-Kafeel University seeks to achieve a set of strategic goals within five years. These goals include:

1. Obtaining accreditation:

Achieving the necessary conditions and standards to obtain local and international accreditation to enhance the college's position in educational institutions.

2. Creating postgraduate studies:

Launching and developing postgraduate study programs that suit market needs, community service, and raising the level of higher education.

3. Raising the quality of education and training:

The college seeks to raise the quality of education and training by developing its academic and training programs, enhancing scientific research, and improving facilities.

4. Expansion of academic and training programs:

The college seeks to expand its academic and training programs by offering new programs in specialized fields of dentistry, and increasing the number of students accepted into the college.

5. Promoting scientific research:

The college seeks to enhance scientific research by developing research centers, making them more specialized, increasing funding for researchers, and cooperating with other research institutions.

6. Increase diversity:

The college seeks to increase diversity by accepting more students from other countries and promoting cultural diversity in the college.

7. Improving community participation:

The college seeks to improve community participation by providing health care services to the local community, and conducting awareness programs on the importance of oral and dental health.

Timeline		Responsibility for	Measurement indicators	Required outputs	Goal	NO
		implementation				NO
%60	2023	Academic Accreditation Committee	Obtain an official accreditation certificate	High quality educational programme	Gain reliability	1
	2024					
	2025					
	2026					
	2027					
%50	2023	Presidency University Deanship of the College	- Obtaining the approval of the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research and opening the door for admission -	Granting a master's degree in the specializations of dentistry and maxillofacial surgery	Creating postgraduate studies	2
	2024					
	2025					
	2026					
	2027					
%75	2023	Deanship of the College Scientific branches continuous education	- Organizing courses and workshops on the most important recent developments - Activating Oujda - counseling and psychological rehabilitation -	Developing students' educational skills and solving their problems that could negatively affect their practical skills	Raising the quality of education and training	3
	2024					
	2025					
	2026					
	2027					
%40	2023	Presidency University Deanship of the College	Developing and adding advanced academic programs using modern technology and artificial intelligence to acquire new skills that serve society and the labor market	- Expanding the number of new academic and training programs offered by the college that suit the needs of the labor market.	Expanding academic	4
	2024					
	2025					
	2026					
	2027					
%60	2023	Presidency University Deanship of the College	Developing scientific research skills and improving the researcher's performance - Holding workshops on how to conduct, work and publish solid scientific research - Developing research centers and providing them with the latest	- Number of research papers published in peer-reviewed scientific journals. - The number of specialized research centers established in the college. - The number of patents obtained by the college	training programs	5
	2024					
	2025					
	2026					
	2027					
%20	2023	Deanship of the College	Increase and diversify the number of academic and	- Increasing the number of	Increase diversity	6
	2024					

	2025		training programs that focus on cultural diversity.	students accepted into the college.		
	2026			Increasing the - - percentage of students accepted into the college from other .countries		
	2027					
%70	2023	Deanship of the College	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - - Increasing the number of health care services provided by the college to the local community. Increasing and raising - - the level of awareness programs provided by the college about the importance of oral and .dental health 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - - Graduation of medical personnel with the best scientific experience in the field of specialization Raising the - - level of health awareness in health institutions and society 	Improving community participation	7
	2024					
	2025					
	2026					
	2027					

Review and evaluate the strategic plan

- 1- Follow up on the implementation of the components of the strategic plan directly before the Strategic Planning Committee.
- 2- Review and evaluate the strategic plan annually, as well as after the end of the five-year plan.
- 3- Evaluating the annual progress of the established plan according to all indicators.
- 4- A comprehensive review of the plan, evaluating the performance of the extent to which indicators are achieved, and developing appropriate solutions to the challenges.