

Scholarships for Engineering and Science undergraduates

The new King Abdullah University of Science and Technology (KAUST) in Saudi Arabia will open in September 2009 with 500 postgraduate students, all of whom will be on Saudi funded scholarships. KAUST aims to attract quality students with the equivalent of a distinction average.

The target group is students who are close to completion of an undergraduate degree and who are interested in pursuing a Masters in the same discipline. Successful candidates will receive a scholarship to complete their undergraduate studies in Australia and a generous full scholarship to complete a Masters at KAUST (including all travel, tuition, computer, textbook and living allowance).

The university aims to enroll 30% of its students from the Middle East and 70% from other parts of the world.

- All classes are taught in English
- All courses are at graduate level
- The scholarships are based on merit, not financial need
- International students enrolled in Australia are also eligible.

The four research institutes at KAUST will be:

1. Resources, Energy and Environment;
2. Biosciences and Bioengineering;
3. Materials Science and Engineering;
4. Applied Mathematics and Computational Science

Students, particularly those in 3rd and 4th year of undergraduate engineering and science degrees are able to access this information.

The university will be similar to a gated community, allowing students to live a Western lifestyle. Women are encouraged to apply because the administrators of the scholarship scheme hope to achieve a gender balance among the student population.

Further information and online application available:

<http://www.kaust.edu.sa/students/discovery-scholarships.aspx>