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1.2 Proportion of students receiving financial aid to attend university because of poverty

1.2.1 Low-income students receiving financial aid (FA):

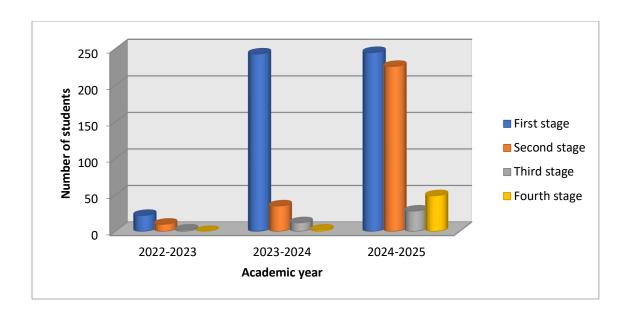
Shatt Al-Arab University supports students who need financial aid during the academic year, including both Part-Time and Full-Time students. During the academic year 2024/2025, several students were granted tuition fee reductions based on their financial situation. These reductions were officially approved through administrative and university orders issued by the university president and supported by the University Council and the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research.

Specifically:

- Based on University Council decisions dated 23/04/2025 and administrative order No. 136 on 28/04/2025, tuition fees were reduced for students at Shatt Al-Arab University.
- Additionally, based on ministerial correspondence and university order No. 426 on 26/04/2025, further reductions of 20% were granted to a group of students classified as having limited income.

These actions reflect the university's commitment to supporting low-income students in continuing their education despite economic hardship. The following table presents the total number of students who benefited from tuition reductions due to financial hardship between 2022 and 2025, categorized by academic year and study level:

Stage	2022–2023	2023–2024	2024–2025	Total
First Stage	22	243	245	510
Second Stage	10	35	226	271
Third Stage	2	12	28	42
Fourth Stage	_	2	49	51
Total	34	292	548	874



1.3 University anti-poverty programs

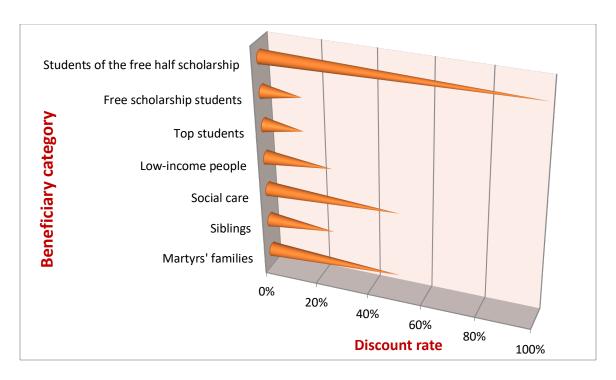
1.3.1 Bottom financial quintile admission target

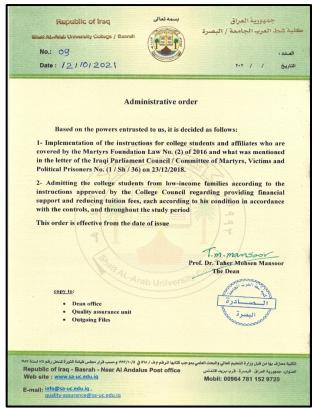
Does your university as a body have targets to admit students who fall into the bottom 20% of household income group (or a more tightly defined target) in the country?

Yes, Shatt Al-Arab University offers a range of special scholarships, including academic excellence scholarships and financial support scholarships. Orientation programs have been established to help new students adjust to university life, and there are full funding programs for students working on academic and scientific projects.

Shatt Al-Arab University has a variety of scholarships such as meals, computers, and career grants to support disadvantaged students (e.g., low or lower-middle income, female, and disabled students) so that they can have an access to higher education and graduate.

The university relies on purely academic criteria, in addition to assessing the financial status of applicants, where documents such as payrolls and proof of income are used to determine eligibility. Full facilities are provided to the families of martyrs and they are granted appropriate scholarships, in addition to discounts for the children of faculty members. There is also a discount according to administrative instructions for siblings applying to our university, with grants and discounts for orphans in general.









The application process for low-income students is facilitated through electronic platforms, which facilitates access to information, and there is a specialized support team to help this segment of students complete the application procedures.





1.3.2 Bottom financial quintile student success

Does your university as a body have graduation/completion targets for students who fall into the bottom 20% of household income group (or a more tightly defined target) in the country?

Yes, Shatt Al-Arab University Applied Workplace Training Program is designed for students. It allows them to spend two month in the industry. With this program, students gain experience and help students get good job opportunities after graduation. Industry areas where applied workplace training can be carried out are:

- Oil sector companies,
- Power plants,
- Ports,
- Private sector enterprises,
- Research infrastructures, and
- Industrial companies.





















Shatt al-Arab University has adopted various programs in the field of serving students in the university system who fall in the lowest 20% of income, as it sought to implement a discount policy for this segment of students for the last year of graduation in its departments, with the intensification of English language lessons and learning free computer skills in the Continuing Education Unit at the university to prepare students for the post-graduation stage and integrate them into the labor market.











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1.3.3 Low-income student support

Does your university as a body provide support (e.g. food, housing, transportation, legal services) for students from low income families to enable them to complete university?

Yes, Shatt Al-Arab University offers various forms of support to students from low-income families to help them succeed academically and personally. This support can include:

- 1. **Food Programs**: Shatt Al-Arab University has food pantries, meal plans, or subsidized food options to ensure students have nutritious meals and promoting student well-being.
- 2. **Housing Assistance**: Shatt Al-Arab University provides affordable housing options or emergency housing resources for students in need.
- 3. **Transportation Services**: Shatt Al-Arab University offers free or reduced-fare transportation options, shuttle services, or partnerships with public transportation to help students get around.
- 4. **Legal Services**: Shatt Al-Arab University provides access to legal assistance for students facing legal issues, which can be especially helpful for those who may not be able to afford private legal representation.















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1.3.4 Bottom financial quintile student support

Does your university as a body have programs or initiatives to assist students who fall into the bottom 20% of household income group (or a more tightly defined target) in the country to successfully complete their studies?

Shatt Al-Arab University actively promotes initiatives aimed at supporting students from low-income backgrounds to achieve their academic and career goals. Here are some of the university's key support programs and activities:

- 1. **Financial Support and Scholarships**: Shatt Al-Arab University offers scholarship programs and financial aid to students who fall within the bottom financial quintile, ensuring they have access to necessary resources to complete their studies without financial barriers.
- 2. **Affordable Housing:** Shatt Al-Arab University offers affordable oncampus housing with specific allocations for low-income students, guaranteeing safe and secure accommodations.
- 3. **Mental Health and Counseling:** Acknowledging the non-academic challenges faced by low-income students, Shatt Al-Arab University provides counseling and mental health services.
- 4. Entrepreneurship and Skill Development Programs: The university organizes competitions and workshops focusing on entrepreneurship, design thinking, business planning, and marketing skills. These programs are open to students from all backgrounds and particularly encourage participation from students with innovative

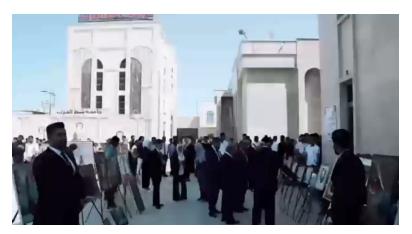
- ideas and low-income backgrounds to enhance their professional skills and income potential.
- 5. Campus Job Opportunities: In collaboration with various departments, Shatt Al-Arab University provides campus job opportunities such as positions in university libraries, student support offices, and retail outlets on campus. This allows students to earn income while managing their studies.
- 6. Community Engagement and Social Responsibility: The university regularly organizes awareness campaigns and workshops in collaboration with local organizations. For example, students recently participated in first aid training organized by the Iraqi Red Crescent, aimed at providing valuable skills that benefit both students and the community.
- 7. **Student-Run Ventures and Creative Exhibitions**: Shatt Al-Arab University encourages students to engage in income-generating activities by supporting talent showcases, such as handicraft and painting exhibitions, where proceeds contribute to support for low-income families.
- 8. **Progress Assessment:** A systematic process for regularly evaluating the progress of low-income students is in place to identify and address their unique needs and challenges.

Through these programs, Shatt Al-Arab University aims to empower students facing financial challenges, giving them opportunities for academic success and skill development while promoting social impact in the broader community.















1.3.5 Low or lower-middle income countries student support

Does your university as a body have schemes to support poor students from low or lower-middle income countries (e.g. offering free education, grants)?

Shatt Al-Arab University is committed to supporting students from low-income and lower-middle-income countries, providing opportunities to complete their studies affordably and with high-quality support. Through various initiatives, the university aims to alleviate financial burdens and promote educational access to combat poverty, particularly in countries such as Syria, Jordan, and Egypt, though we welcome students from other nations as well.

1.4 Community anti-poverty programmes

1.4.1 Local start-up assistance.

Does your university as a body provide assistance in the local community supporting the start-up of financially and socially sustainable businesses through relevant education or resources? (e.g. mentorship programs, training workshops, access to university facilities)?

Yes, Shatt Al-Arab University contributes to supporting youth locally, through various activities aimed at building youth capacities and enhancing their skills;

- 1. Local Business Training by Offering specialized training and workshops for local community members for start-ups.
- 2. Access to University Resources by Extending access to Shatt Al-Arab University's educational resources, libraries, and courses to local community members.
- 3. Shatt Al-Arab University Holding a seminar on Medical health counseling in order to Dealing with concerns pertaining to students' health and welfare. The seminar addressed general guidelines regarding assisting students in preserving their health and participating in physical activities.
- 4. Networking Events by Hosting events that bring together local entrepreneurs, university students, and potential customers to foster collaboration and business growth.
- 5. Shatt Al-Arab University Holding a seminar entitled "Youth and Small Projects" focused on the skills needed to build small projects,

and the importance of creative thinking in establishing sustainable projects that empower youth in the future.











1.4.2 Local start-up financial assistance

Does your university as a body provide financial assistance to the local community assisting the start-up of financially and socially sustainable businesses?

Yes, Initiatives for Shatt Al-Arab University 's Financial Assistance Program to support local community start-ups for financially and socially sustainable businesses include:

- 1. Microgrants: Providing microgrants to aspiring entrepreneurs in the local community, The university allocated direct cash amounts of (750,000) Iraqi dinars to the Al-Himmah Foundation for Development and Development, which is concerned with helping needy families in Basra Governorate as a seed for establishing their commercial projects.
- 2. Promotion of Sustainability: Organizing events that promote sustainable business practices and emphasize social and environmental responsibility in entrepreneurship, such as charity markets that indirectly support small projects.
- 3. Access to University Resources: Allowing local business owners access to university libraries, research facilities to run their enterprises efficiently.
- 4. Partnerships with Local Organizations: Collaborating with non-profits, and governmental agencies to identify and support promising sustainable business initiatives.







1.4.3 Programmes for services access

Does your university as a body organize training or programs to improve access to basic services for all?

1. Yes, By providing development courses in robotics technology, Shatt al-Arab University helps to increase children's access to technical education. In order to build educational cadres, the Department of Computer Science offered foundational courses in robotics technology to 10–12-year-old primary school pupils as part of the university's yearly program for the academic year 2024–2025. This project falls under the university's support of the Basra Governorate's educational system, which helps to give kids access to advanced learning opportunities by utilizing the programming knowledge of cadres.









2. As part of its commitment to youth development and community engagement, Shatt Al-Arab University actively supports the Students Club Sports. This initiative reflects the university's dedication to fostering a well-rounded educational environment that promotes physical well-being, and teamwork. By providing financial, logistical, and institutional backing, the university enables the club to participate in various local and national athletic competitions.





3. The Student Activities Unit at the College of Science at Shatt al-Arab University, Department of Computer Science, in collaboration with the Department of Scientific Care and the Department of Astronomy and Meteorology, organized a scientific trip to the Science Camp (Robot Factory). The trip included an overview of the various devices and robots that were manufactured, as well as an introductory lecture on the factory's facilities, delivered by Dr. Nouris Aref. Participating in the trip were lecturer Fatima Nizar Hamza (Head of the Student Activities Unit), lecturer Muhammad Asaad, and a group of students from the Department of Computer Science.





4. The university, represented by the Department of Computer Science, also contributed to holding basic courses for primary school students aged 10-12 years to introduce students to and enhance their education in virtual reality education technology, which effectively contributes to supporting the educational sector in Basra Governorate.









5. The Department of Computer Science at the University also organized many activities and training, and educational courses, including educational courses for the general public on artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, and computer principles. These lectures were presented by Dr. Ali Kazim Matter, M.Sc. Fatimah Nazar Hamzah and M.Sc. Muhammed Asaad.









6. As part of its ongoing efforts to enhance digital security awareness, a seminar on "Cybersecurity" was conducted by Mr. Ali Al-Aidani, focusing on advancing knowledge and practices in the field. The session aimed to strengthen digital protection capabilities through the study and application of cybersecurity techniques. Emphasis was placed on safeguarding sensitive information, ensuring data confidentiality and integrity, and addressing the growing threats posed by cyberattacks in both professional and personal environments. This initiative reflects the institution's commitment to promoting a culture of cybersecurity resilience and preparing individuals to respond effectively to evolving digital risks.



7. The Student Activities Unit at Shatt al-Arab University's College of Science, Department of Computer Science, organized an educational visit to ASIACELL Communications Company. The visit featured an informative lecture presented by trainer Alaa Al-Din Hassan Baqir, who provided comprehensive explanations about business operations and startup project support initiatives. During the visit, participants had the opportunity to explore various company departments, including the Sales Center and Customer Service Department, gaining

valuable insights into their operational workflows and procedures. This experience significantly enhanced the participating students' enthusiasm and professional awareness. The visit was attended by lecturer Fatima Nizar Hamza, lecturer Montadhar Muslim Ashour, along with a group of computer science students from both genders.



8. Psychotherapist Dr. Nidal Badr Sultan spoke at a session on "Autism Spectrum Disorder" hosted by the university in collaboration with the Al-Taqwa Association for Women and Children. The nature of this condition, its diagnosis, the reasons it is called a spectrum, its history, behavior-related symptoms, and the several consequences that are linked to it were all covered. It displayed its various therapy modalities, including dietary, behavioral, educational, family, and pharmacological. In order to improve treatment compared to if diseases are detected later, it also covered some suggestions to alert parents to the importance of early diagnosis and follow-up if their children exhibit any of the symptoms that were mentioned in the seminar. The teaching staff and the dean had a conversation.

Additionally, the pupils took part in asking a lot of questions. The seminar was crucial.



1.4.4 Policy addressing poverty.

Does your university as a body participate in policy making at local, regional, national and/or global level to implement programs and policies to end poverty in all its dimensions?

Yes, Shatt Al-Arab University contributes to implementing policies and initiatives at the local level by;

- 1. Public Health and Access: Shatt Al-Arab University takes an active role in influencing healthcare policies by continuing to organize annual voluntary visits to the Children's Hospital to support children with cancer, where they were presented with material and moral gifts. With a directive to make it an annual general policy of the university.
- 2. Social Welfare and human rights: Our active involvement in the design and implementation of social welfare policies ensures they effectively meet the needs of marginalized and disadvantaged groups within our community.
- 3. Legal Aid Clinics: Our legal aid clinics provide guidance on accessing legal services for all, Department of law in Shatt Al-Arab University

- contributed to establishing the foundations of laws that helped the local community find solutions to compensate the Yazidi female survivors in Iraq through cooperation and coordination with the Iraqi Coalition for Fair Compensation Committee (C4JR) to achieve community security and peace.
- 4. Education for All: Collaboration with Local Education Authorities to accommodate the largest possible number of low- or limited-income Peoples.
- 5. Low-income People Empowerment: Shatt Al-Arab University held a charity marathon for the poverty and poor. The marathon is an iconic race and the participants and spectators come from across the country to be captivated by the demonstration of human endurance and dedication. The proceeds of this marathon are equally distributed to orphan students.
- 6. Food Assistance: Shatt al-Arab University provides free meals to low-income groups across the country. The university distributed approximately 500 food baskets during the month of Ramadan 2025.
- 7. Charitable Sports Activities: As part of its community engagement programs, Shatt Al-Arab University organizes charitable sports activities aimed at supporting low-income families and patients in need. These events, which include tournaments, marathons, and friendly matches, not only promote physical well-being and teamwork among participants but also serve as a platform to raise funds and provide direct assistance to vulnerable groups. By combining sports with social responsibility, the university fosters a culture of solidarity, compassion, and active citizenship among students, staff, and the wider community.













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