

Policy on Gender-Specific Arrangements for Student Activities	
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1. Purpose

This policy is established to ensure full compliance with the national laws and regulations of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia regarding gender-specific arrangements in higher-education institutions. It guides the organization of all student-related activities—including academic, extracurricular, and celebratory events—by maintaining appropriate separation between male and female students, in line with societal norms and legal obligations, while safeguarding equal access to high-quality education and support services for every student, regardless of gender.

2. Scope

This policy applies to:

- All in-class student interactions and group activities.
- All extracurricular activities, including but not limited to student clubs, sports, cultural, and social events.
- All university-sponsored or endorsed celebrations, including national holidays and institutional events.

3. Policy Statement

The university is committed to upholding the legal and cultural expectations of gender separation in all student interactions, as stipulated by national guidelines. Accordingly:

The university is committed to meeting the legal and cultural requirements for genderspecific arrangements in all student interactions, as stipulated by national guidelines. Accordingly:

3.1 Academic Activities

 In classrooms and labs, the seating areas for male and female students should be separated by partitions. Each group should have a separate access to the venue.

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- In-class group work, discussions, and project-based activities must be conducted in a manner that preserves separate male-and-female arrangements, either through separate sections, virtual collaboration tools, or other appropriate means.
- Joint student presentations or demonstrations must be conducted in separate settings or presented digitally to the other gender, where needed.

3.2 Student Clubs and Extracurricular Activities

- All student clubs must have distinct male and female branches, each with their own leadership and membership.
- Club activities (workshops, meetings, training) must be held separately for male and female students, unless virtual platforms are used with appropriate oversight.
- Joint planning between male and female branches may occur via digital collaboration tools under the supervision of a faculty advisor or staff member.

3.3 Events and National Celebrations

- All events involving student participation, such as National Day celebrations, career days, talent shows, or exhibitions, must be organized with gendersegregated venues or schedules.
- If a venue is shared for logistical reasons, appropriate physical partitions and separate time slots shall be enforced.
- Mixed-gender student performances or stage appearances are strictly prohibited unless conducted via recorded content or online streams viewed in segregated settings.

4. Implementation and Monitoring

- Responsibility for implementing this policy rests with all university personnel, each within their respective scope of duties.
- The Deanship of Student Affairs shall oversee the implementation of this policy.
- Student clubs and event organizers must submit activity plans that clearly indicate how the gender-specific separation will be maintained.
- All student activities must be supervised by a designated faculty or administrative representative to ensure compliance.



 Any deviations must be reported immediately and will be subject to review and disciplinary action if found in violation.

5. Enforcement

Non-compliance with this policy by students, clubs, or organizers may result in:

- Suspension of the activity.
- Withdrawal of club privileges or event approval.
- Disciplinary action in accordance with the university's student conduct regulations.

6. Review

This policy shall be reviewed every two years by the University Council, and it should be updated as needed to reflect changes in national regulations or university practices.

Exception

The University-Council reserves the right to decide any situation/ circumstances outside the conditions stated in this policy

Authorization

The policy was authorized by:

University President

26-5-2025

Date