

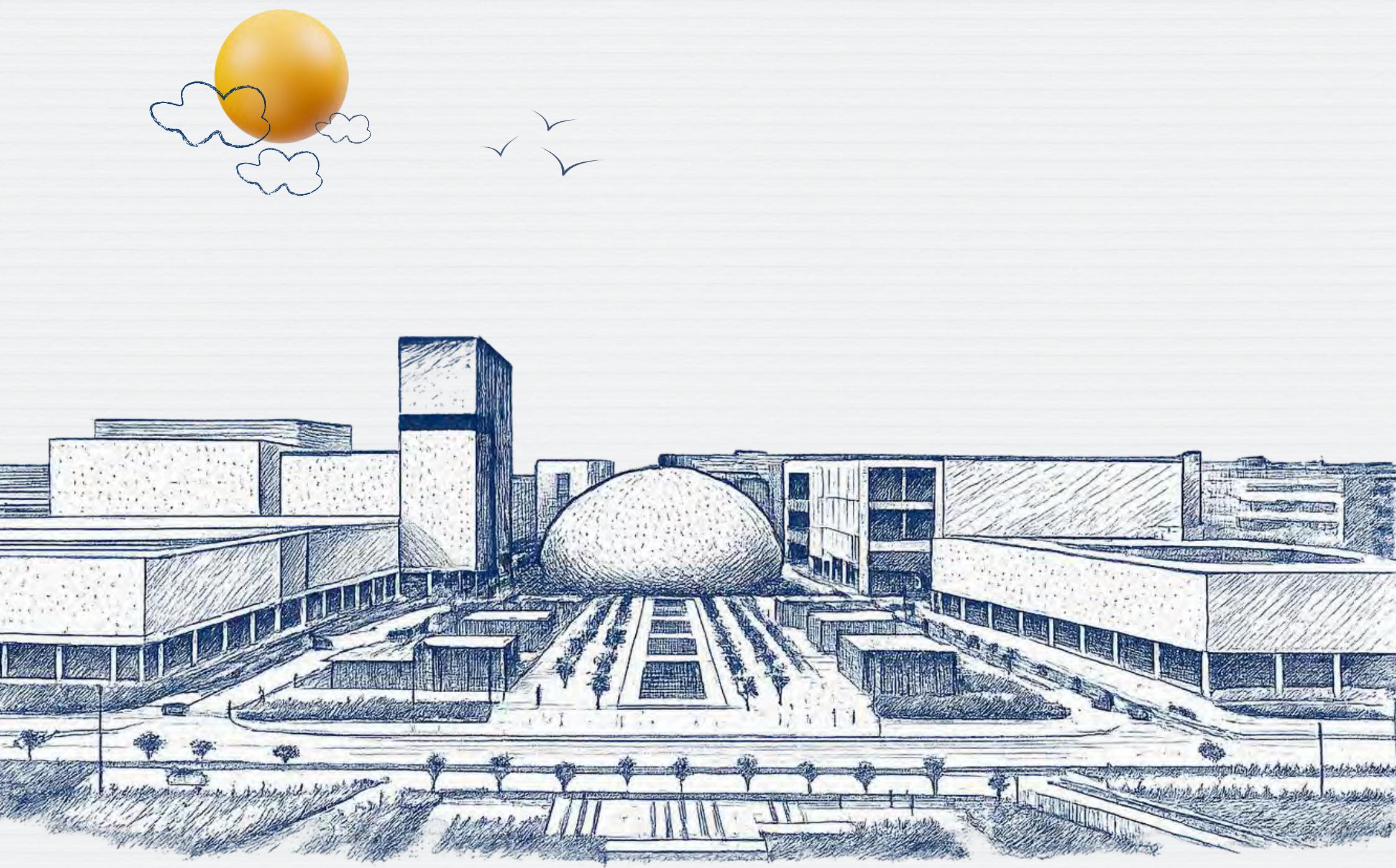


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Student Guide to the Academic Aptitude Test



introduction

Out of Kuwait University's commitment to enhancing the quality of education, the Academic Aptitude Tests were introduced as a fundamental step to accurately and fairly assess students' levels

Kuwait University began implementing the Academic Aptitude Tests in the academic year 1996/1997, followed by the introduction of the Equivalent Average System in 1998/1999. These initiatives came after extensive studies undertaken by the University Administration and the Ministry of Education, with the aim of improving the quality of student intake into the university

The Academic Aptitude Tests aim to assist students in choosing the university major that best matches their academic abilities and personal skills. This contributes to ensuring fairness in admissions, reducing cases of academic difficulties and dropout, and raising the overall academic standard

This guide serves as a reference for students and their parents, outlining the importance and objectives of the test, the required subjects, the mechanism for calculating results, and the registration regulations. It ensures clarity of procedures and helps students prepare effectively for this important stage in their educational journey

The Importance of the Academic Aptitude Tests

Most colleges at Kuwait University consider the results of the Academic Aptitude Tests as one of the admission criteria, as these results are included in calculating the Equivalent Average, which combines the student's high school percentage with their Aptitude Test scores. In some colleges, these results are used solely for placement purposes

Students may take the tests while in their senior year of high school. They are allowed to retake the tests up to three times during the academic year in order to achieve the score that qualifies them for admission to their desired college. The university records the highest scores obtained by the student. Test results remain valid for two years from the date of completion

Objectives of the Academic Aptitude Tests

- The Academic Aptitude Tests provide students with the opportunity to assess their academic level in certain core subjects and help them choose the scientific or literary majors most suitable for them.
- These tests contribute to raising students' academic standards by enabling them to overcome the challenges of university study they may face during their first year of enrollment in various colleges, thereby reducing cases of academic difficulties and student dropout.
- The Academic Aptitude Tests also serve as one of the selective admission tools, as the results and related studies allow colleges to identify and distinguish the students most capable of succeeding in their programs from among the top applicants.

Tests

The tests available for registration include Mathematics, English, Arabic, and French, which is offered twice a year, in addition to Chemistry, which is available for students admitted to the university in majors that require a placement test in Chemistry. Students may also access test topics and past exam samples through the official Kuwait University website, on the page of the Office of the Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs for Evaluation and Measurement, under the section "Test Samples."

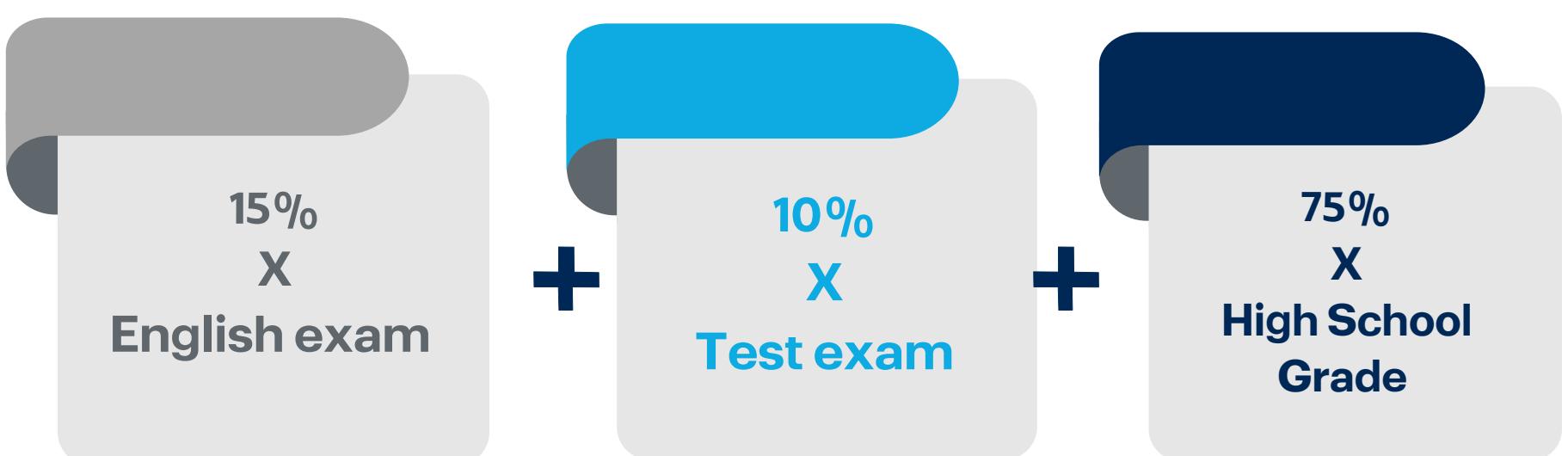
Calculation of Test Results

The passing score is set at **60%** for the English test, and **50%** for the Mathematics, Arabic, French, and Chemistry tests. The highest score achieved by the student in each subject is considered, provided that it does not exceed a validity period of two years. The Equivalent Average is calculated by combining the student's high school percentage with the results of the Aptitude Tests.

Sample Calculations of the Equivalent Average

College of Medicine :

Admission Policy



Example:

student with a High School Percentage of 98% achieved the following results in the aptitude Test

Mathematics : 80%

English : 90%

Mathematic test result	English test result	High school Grade	Equivalent average
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10% X 80 =

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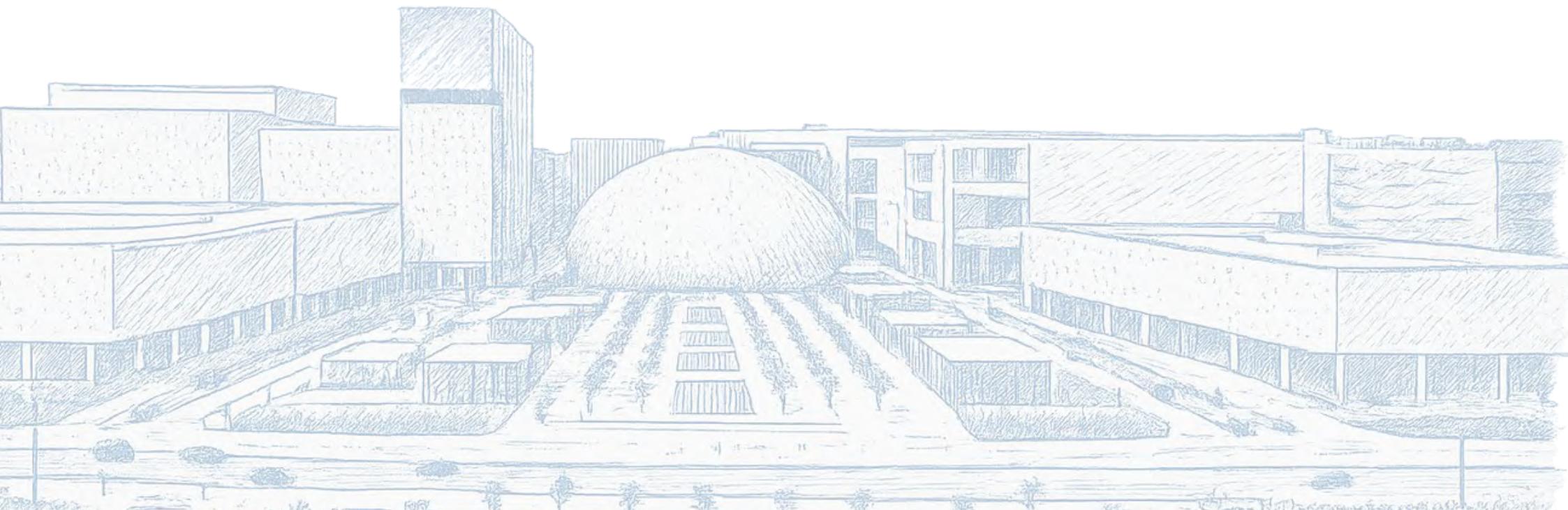
15% X 90 =

13.5

75% X 98 =

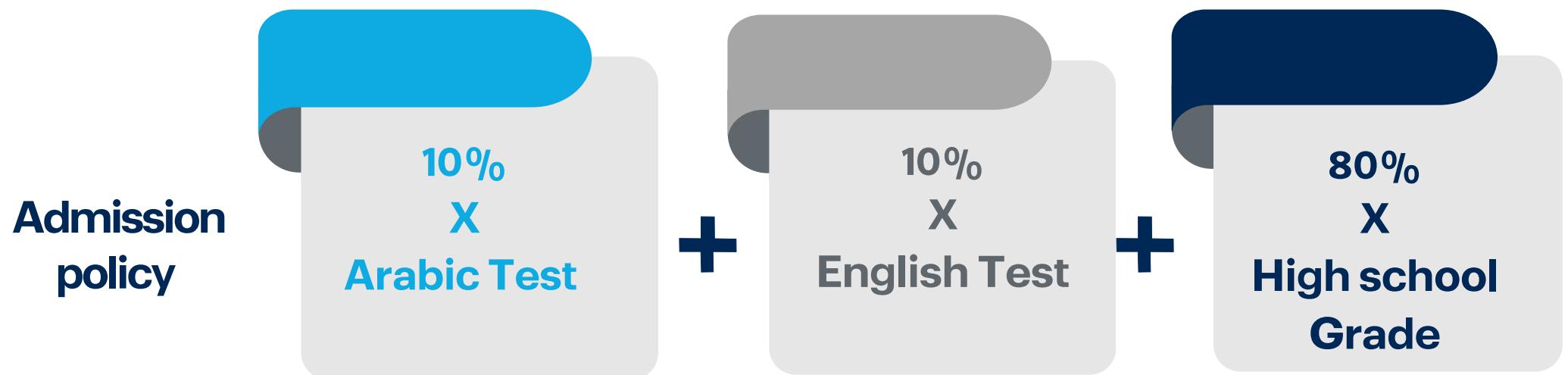
73.5

% 95



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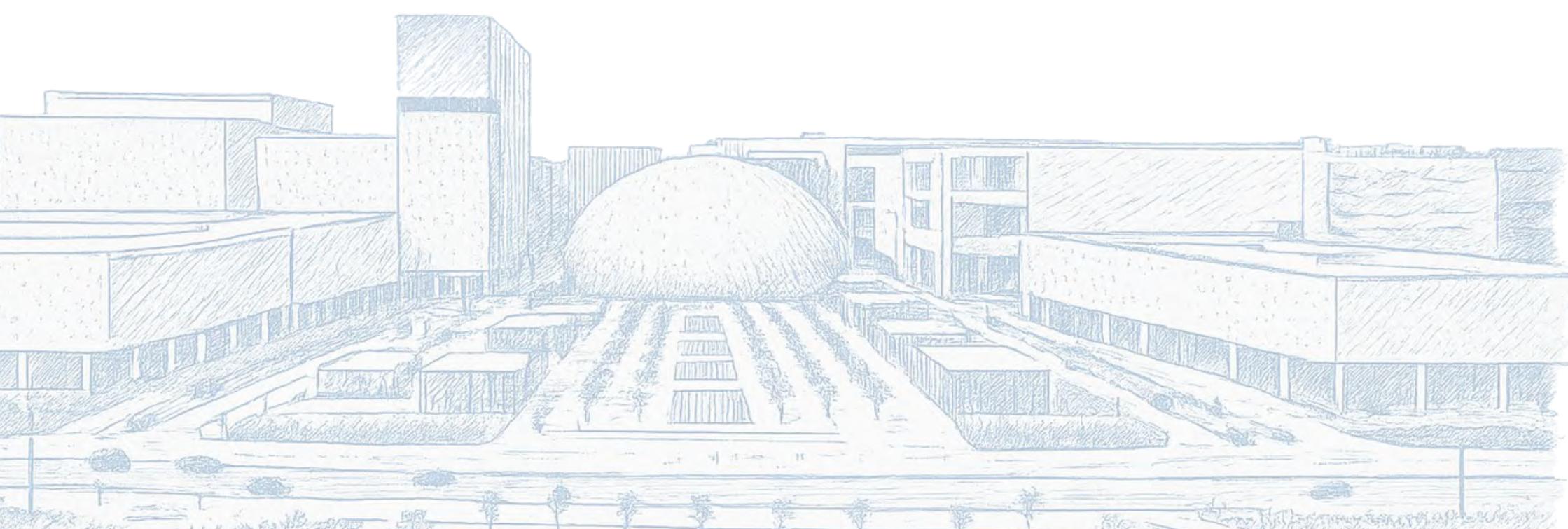
College of Education (Arts)



Example:

student with a High School Percentage of 85% achieved the following results in the aptitude Test

Arabic test result	English test result	High school grade	Equivalent average
10% X 90= 9	10% X 90 = 9	85% X 80 = 68	= %86



General information: -

What is the difference between the Unified National Test and the Academic Aptitude Test?

The Unified National Test is the Academic Aptitude Test

Who are the eligible students to apply?

All grade 12 students or their equivalent, as well as high school graduates wishing to enroll in Kuwait University or Abdullah Al Salem University, or majors of medicine or engineering in domestic and overseas scholarships.

What documents and records are required?

An official ID (Civil ID, Passport, Driver's License) and academic certificate for high school graduates.

What are the important dates (beginning of registration, end of registration, exam date)?

All dates are announced on the social media platform (Instagram) account of the Center of Evaluation and Measurement.

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What is the importance of the Academic Aptitude Test?

The majority of colleges in Kuwait University consider the Academic Aptitude Tests as one of the admissions criteria, as it is included in the calculation of the equivalent average that combines the student's GPA with the scores of the aptitude tests. Academic Aptitude Test results are also taken into account in some colleges for placement purposes only.

Is the Academic Aptitude Test mandatory for all colleges?

Yes, the Academic Aptitude Test is mandatory for all colleges, except for College of Science and the College of Law, who do not require the Academic Aptitude Test.

Can a student enroll in Kuwait University without taking the Academic Aptitude Test?

A Student who has not taken the Academic Aptitude Test can only enroll in the College of Science or the College of Law, provided that their GPA meets the admission requirements.

Can international schools' students apply?

Yes, international schools' students can apply for the Academic Aptitude Test.

Does the Academic Aptitude Test apply to Arts major students?

Yes, the Academic Aptitude Test is compulsory for all Art majors in Kuwait University, except for the College of Law.

Can a student enroll in Kuwait University register for the Academic Aptitude Test?

An Enrolled student at Kuwait University cannot register for the Academic Aptitude Tests, except for the French test only if they wish to pursue a major in French.

Are there training courses for the Academic Aptitude Test?

The Office of the Assistant VP for Academic Affairs for Evaluation and Measurement does not offer training courses for the Academic Aptitude Test.

Is the score accepted for more than one major?

The Academic Aptitude Test score is accepted for all majors at Kuwait University, and for Medicine and Engineering majors in domestic and overseas scholarships.

What is the validity of the test scores?

The Academic Aptitude Test scores are valid for two years from the date of the test."

Is there a maximum limit on the number of times to apply?

The maximum limit for applying to the Academic Aptitude Test is three times during the academic year.

What should students do if they do not meet the required grade?

The Academic Aptitude Test can be retaken in the designated attempts during the academic year.

Which test score will be considered?

The highest test score achieved by the student will be considered if it has not exceeded two years.

What is the equivalent admission score?

It is the student's high school GPA combined with the students' scores in the Academic Aptitude Tests.

Test information.

What test subjects are available for registration?

Available test subjects for registration are Mathematics, English and Arabic. In addition to French which is available twice during the academic year.

Are there samples of previous tests?

Yes, students can view samples of previous tests and test topics through Kuwait University's official website, on the webpage of the Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs for Assessment and Evaluation (Test Samples section).

What is the passing grade in the Academic Aptitude Test?

The passing grade for the English test is 60%. Whereas the passing grade for Mathematics, Arabic, chemistry and French tests is 50%."

How can the student find their test location?

After the completion of registration, the student can view all information related to the test on their admission ticket (date, time, location, and room number). In addition, there is a link to the test location in the admission ticket, by clicking on the link the student will be directed to their test building.

Can the student choose the test location or change it?

The student cannot choose or change the test location.

Can the student change the test language?

During the registration period, the student can modify the test language by logging into their account and clicking "Edit".

After the registration period ends, the change requires a fee of 10 Kuwaiti Dinars. The student can still modify the test language by logging into their account and clicking "Edit".

Registration steps

How and where can a student register?

You can visit our official website **Office of Assistant Vice President for Evaluation and Measurement | Kuwait University** and click on the **Aptitude Exams** tab where you will find a link to the registration portal.

What are the registration steps in detail?

Log in through the registration system page by entering the full civil number in the username field and enter the last five digits from the right side of the civil number in the password field, the user page will open, and the registration instructions will appear, and then click on the **(Register Tests)** button to go to the student's information page. You must make sure that the information is correct and enter the required data (phone number, email, education system and school), then click on the button to complete the registration process to go to the registration page. On the next page, the number of required tests, test subject, test language (for mathematics) and the suitable date are selected, if a seat is available, the test will be added, then the regulations and instructions must be read, then click on acknowledgement and commitment. Payment is then made by clicking on the payment button to complete the registration process. After the payment has been made, you can print the admission ticket by going back to the registration page to view details of the test day. If there is no seat available in the required test subjects on the specified date, a screen will appear "No Compatible Tests" and you can try again and change the date to see which seats are available.

What method of payment is available?

Payment is through K-net only.

How does the student know if their registration is complete?

When the "payment successful" page appears, the registration is completed, and by clicking on the Continue Registration button, you can view the student's admission ticket containing all information related to the exam day, or you can login again to the user's registration page to print the admission ticket.

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What can the student do if they entered wrong information during the process of registration?

**To update your information, kindly contact us through our email
cem.meas@ku.edu.kw
or through ""Help Me"" service"**

Can the student cancel their registration and get a refund?

After completion of registration and payment is collected, no cancellation or refund is allowed."

Test Day Instructions

When should the student arrive at the test center?

The student is required to arrive one hour before the test starts.

What documents are required on the test day?

Official ID with a recent photo (Civil ID, passport, driver's license, or Kuwait Mobile ID) and the test entry card.

What materials are permitted in the test room?

Pencil and eraser.

What items are not permitted?

All smart devices are not permitted (mobile phones, watch, earphones, Wi-Fi) and it is advisable to not bring any personal items.

What happens if the student is late or does not show up?

No student will be allowed to enter after the time specified on the admission ticket, and the test cannot be rescheduled or retaken if the student fails to attend at the specified time in their admission ticket.

Are there instructions for attendance and departure?

Students must arrive before the start of the exam to ensure early arrival and must not leave the test room without the permission of the proctor in charge.

Are there any cases that result in the cancellation of the students' test scores?

All cases of cheating will result in the cancellation of the test score."

Technical Support & Assistance

What should the student do if they forget their password?

Username: Enter the full Civil ID number

Password: Enter the last five digits from the right side of the Civil ID number

What should students do if they encounter a problem on the registration site?

Contact us through the email of the Center of Evaluation and Measurement.

cem.meas@ku.edu.kw

Or through the “Help Me” service.

Can the student contact the support center by phone or email?

Contact us through email: cem.meas@ku.edu.kw

Or via the Instagram page of the Center of Evaluation and Measurement: @cemvpaa

What are the steps for the student to recover their account or update their information?

The student can update their information by clicking on the “Create New User” icon on the registration system page, after which the student can modify their updated personal information.

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