

Deanship of Graduate Studies

MASTER PROGRAMS





MASTER PROGRAMS

1. Master Programs in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM)

A. Programs Outline

TThe Master of Science (MSc) in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) programs at KSU are crafted for professionals seeking to enhance their expertise through advanced academic study, preparing them for careers in industry or doctoral research. These programs offer a dynamic curriculum integrating core and elective courses to apply STEM principles to complex real-world challenges. In some programs, students can select between two culminating experiences: Research Thesis, Capstone Project. Both pathways develop technical expertise, adaptability, and problem-solving abilities, empowering graduates to thrive in diverse STEM fields. KSU provides a range of MSc STEM programs to support varied career aspirations.

Research Thesis	Capstone Project
Suited for those pursuing in-depth research, honing investigative and analytical skills for academic or research-focused careers	Designed for practical application, equipping professionals with hands-on skills for industry roles

MSc in Civil Engineering	MSc in Chemical Engineering	MSc in Polymers
MSc in Electrical	MSc in Mechanical	MSc in Material
Engineering	Engineering	Engineering
MSc in Industrial Engineering	MSc in Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering	MSc in Water Desalination Engineering
MSc in Nuclear	MSc in Computer	MSc in Software
Engineering	Engineering	Engineering
MSc in Computer	MSc in Artificial	MSc in Information
Science	Intelligence	Systems
MSc in Information	MSc in Cyber	MSc in Agricultural
Technology	Security	Engineering
MSc Renewable Energy	MSc Nanoscience and Applied Nanotechnology	MSc in Movement Sciences
Executive Master in High Performance Sport	MSc in Sports Coaching	Executive Master in Sports Coaching

MSc in Urban Planning	MSc in Real Estate Development	MSc in Urban Design
Executive Master of Municipal Policy and City Development	MSc in Architecture and Building Sciences	MSc in Botany
MSc in Microbiology	MSc in Zoology	MSc in Biochemistry
MSc in Chemistry	MSc in Polymers	MSc in Statistics
MSc in Mathematics	MSc in Physics	MSc in Geology
MSc in Geophysics	Executive Master in Hydrogeology	Executive Master in Forensic Pure Science
Executive Master in Environmental Impact Assessment	MSc in Horticulture	MSc in Range Science and Forestry
MSc in Crops Science	MSc in Plant Pathology	MSc in Pesticides

MSc in	MSc in Agricultural	MSc in Soil
Entomology	Economics	Sciences
MSc in Agricultural	MSc in Farm	MSc in Poultry
Extension	Animals	Production
MSc in Human	MSc in Food	MSc in
Nutrition	Sciences	Biodiversity
MSc in Environmental Sciences		

C. Program Components

MSc in Civil Engineering

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours - Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

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Structure Engineering	Geotechnical Engineering	Water Resources
Construction Engineering Management	Transportation Engineering	Environmental Engineering

MSc in Chemical Engineering

Tracks

Chemical & Petrochemical Industries

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

Chemical Industries

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

MSc in Polymers

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

MSc in Electrical Engineering

Tracks

Electronics

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours
Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

Computer & Control Systems

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

Electrical Machine

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

Communications

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

Electrical Power

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours
Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

Computer & Control

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

MSc in Mechanical Engineering

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours - Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

Tracks

Solid Mechanics

Themofluid Systems

MSc in Material Engineering

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours - Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

MSc in Industrial Engineering

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

Tracks

Manufacturing
Systems

Industrial Systems Human Systems Engineering

MSc in Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering

Research Thesis: 27 credit hours

Tracks

Drilling

Oil Production

Reservoir Engineering

MSc in Water Desalination Engineering

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

MSc in Nuclear Engineering

Research Thesis: 31 credit hours

Tracks

Nuclear Reactor Engineering

Nuclear Radiation Engineering

MSc in Computer Engineering

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

MSc in Software Engineering

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours - Capstone Project: 32 credit hours

MSc in Computer Sciences

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours - Capstone Project: 30 credit hours

MSc in Artificial Intelligence

Capstone Project: 33 credit hours

MSc in Information Systems

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours - Capstone Project: 33 credit hours

Tracks

Data Science

Information and Enterprise Systems

Digital
Transformation

MSc in Information Technology

Research Thesis: 29 credit hours - Capstone Project: 36 credit hours

MSc in Cyber Security

Capstone Project: 36 credit hours

MSc in Agricultural Engineering

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

Tracks

Farm Powers & Machinery
Engineering

Food Process Engineering Environmental & Agricultural Structures Engineering

Water & Irrigation Systems
Engineering

MSc in Renewable Energy

Research Thesis: 27 credit hours

Tracks

Solar Energy Technology Wind Energy Technology

Hydrogen Energy Technology

MSc in Nanoscience and Applied Nanotechnology

Research Thesis: 31 credit hours

Tracks

Nanobiotechnology & Nanomedicine

Nanomaterials & Nanodevices

MSc in Movement Sciences

Research Thesis: 31 credit hours

Executive Master in High Performance Sport

Capstone Project: 36 credit hours

MSc in Sports Coaching

Research Thesis: 36 credit hours

Executive Master in Sports Coaching

Capstone Project: 36 credit hours

MSc in Urban Planning

Research Thesis: 29 credit hours - Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

MSc in Real Estate Development

Research Thesis: 32 credit hours - Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

MSc in Urban Design

Research Thesis: 29 credit hours - Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

Executive Master of Municipal Policy and City Development

Capstone Project: 36 credit hours

MSc in Architecture and Building Sciences

Research Thesis: 32 credit hours

MSc in Botany

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

MSc in Microbiology

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

MSc in Zoology

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

Tracks

Animal Physiology & Development	Aquatic Animals
Animal Environment & Pollution	Insects And Parasites
Cell Biology Genetics & Histology	Zoology Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

MSc in Biochemistry

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

MSc in Chemistry

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

Tracks

Organic Chemistry

Physical Chemistry

MSc in Polymers

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

MSc in Statistics

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

MSc in Mathematics

Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

MSc in Physics

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

Tracks

Renewable Energy & Environmental Physics	Laser Physics & Spectroscopy
Theoretical Physics	Condensed Matter Physics
Bio & Medical Physics	Nuclear Physics
Astronomy	Quantum Technology

MSc in Geology

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

Tracks

Economic Geology

Petroleum Geology

Palaeontology

Geo-Hydrology

Sedimentology And Stratigraptiy

Research Thesis: 27 credit hours

MSc in Statistics

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

Executive Master in Hydrogeology

Capstone Project: 36 credit hours

Executive Master in Forensic Pure Science

Capstone Project: 30 credit hours

Executive Master in Environmental Impact Assessment

Capstone Project: 35 credit hours

MSc in Horticulture

Research Thesis: 31 credit hours

Tracks

Pomology

Ornamental Plants & Landscape
Horticulture

MSc in Range Science and Forestry

Research Thesis: 31 credit hours

Tracks

Range Science

Forestry

MSc in Crops Science

Research Thesis: 31 credit hours

MSc in Plant Pathology

Research Thesis: 29 credit hours

MSc in Pesticides

Research Thesis: 29 credit hours

MSc in Entomology

Research Thesis: 29 credit hours

MSc in Agricultural Economics

Research Thesis: 39 credit hours

MSc in Soil Sciences

Research Thesis: 28 credit hours - Capstone Project: 34 credit hours

MSc in Agricultural Extension

Research Thesis: 27 credit hours

MSc in Farm Animals

Research Thesis: 33 credit hours

MSc in Poultry Production

Research Thesis: 33 credit hours

MSc in Human Nutrition

Research Thesis: 33 credit hours - Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

MSc in Food Sciences

Research Thesis: 37 credit hours

MSc in Biodiversity

Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

MSc in Environmental Sciences

Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

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2. Master Programs in Health & Medical Sciences

A. Programs Outline

The Master of Science (MSc) in Health & Medical Sciences at KSU are designed for professionals aiming to advance their expertise through rigorous academic study, preparing them for careers in healthcare, biotechnology, or doctoral research. These programs feature a dynamic curriculum that blends core and elective courses, enabling students to apply medical science principles to complex real-world health challenges. In some programs, students can choose between two culminating experiences: Research Thesis, Capstone Project. Both pathways foster technical expertise, adaptability, and problem-solving abilities, empowering graduates to excel in diverse health & medical science fields. KSU offers a range of MSc health & Medical Sciences programs to support varied career aspirations.

Research Thesis	Capstone Project
Ideal for those pursuing in-depth research, this pathway sharpens investigative and analytical skills for academic or research-oriented careers in medical sciences	Focused on practical application, this option equips professionals with hands- on skills for clinical or industry roles in healthcare and biotechnology

MSc in Pharmacy (Pharmacology)	MSc in Pharmacy (Toxicology)	MSc in Pharmacognosy
MSc in Pharmaceutical Chemistry	MSc in Pharmaceutics	MSc in Clinical Pharmacy
MSc in Pharmaceutical Outcomes and Policy	MSc in Quality Control in Pharmacy	Executive Master of Drug Regulatory Affairs
MSc in Nursing	MSc in Clinical Nutrition	Master of Public Health
Executive Master in Health Promotion and Education	MSc in Clinical Laboratory Sciences	MSc in Physiotherapy
MSc in Optometry	MSc in Radiological Sciences	MSc in Anatomy
MSc in Physiology	MSc in Medical Education	MSc in Dentistry

C. Program Components:

MSc in Pharmacy (Pharmacology)

Research Thesis: 28 credit hours

MSc in Pharmacy (Toxicology)

Research Thesis: 28 credit hours

MSc in Pharmacognosy

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

MSc in Pharmaceutical Chemistry

Research Thesis: 25 credit hours

Tracks

Medicinal Chemistry

Analytical Pharmaceutical Chemistry

MSc in Pharmaceutics

Research Thesis: 28 credit hours

MSc in Clinical Pharmacy

Capstone Project: 41 credit hours

MSc in Pharmaceutical Outcomes and Policy

Capstone Project: 39 credit hours

MSc in Quality Control in Pharmacy

Capstone Project: 46 credit hours

Executive Master in Master of Drug Regulatory Affairs

Capstone Project: 36 credit hours

MSc in Nursing (MSN)

Research Thesis: 38 credit hours - Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

Tracks

Nursing Administration	Adult Medical Surgical Nursing
Pediatric Nursing	Maternal Nursing
Nursing Midwifery	Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing
Community Health Nursing	Primary Care Nursing

MSc in Clinical Nutrition

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

Executive Master in Health Promotion and Education

Capstone Project: 36 credit hours

MSc in Clinical Laboratory Sciences

Research Thesis: 32 credit hours - Capstone Project: 39 credit hours

Tracks

Medical	Medical	Medical
Microbiology	Biochemistry	Haematology

MSc in Physiotherapy

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

MSc in Optometry

Research Thesis: 30 credit hours - Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

MSc in Radiological Sciences

Research Thesis: 32 credit hours - Capstone Project: 32 credit hours

Tracks

Medical Radiation Protection

Nuclear Medicine & Molecular Imaging

Medical Ultrasonography

Magnetic Resonance Imaging Technology

MSc in Anatomy

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

MSc in Physiology

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

MSc in Physiology

Capstone Project: 34 credit hours

MSc in Dentistry

Tracks

Restorative Dentistry

Research Thesis: 44 credit hours

Prosthodotics

Research Thesis: 44 credit hours

Orthodontic

Research Thesis: 44 credit hours

Pediatric Dentistry

Research Thesis: 41 credit hours

Endodontics

Research Thesis: 44 credit hours

Periodontics

Research Thesis: 44 credit hours

Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery

Research Thesis: 43 credit hours

Diagnostic Oral Sciences

Research Thesis: 40 credit hours

Master of Public Health

Capstone Project: 34 credit hours

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3. Master Programs in Business & Management

A. Programs Outline

The Master of Science (MSc) in Business and Management at KSU is tailored for professionals seeking to elevate their expertise through advanced academic study, preparing them for leadership roles in corporate management, entrepreneurship, or doctoral research. These programs offer a comprehensive curriculum that integrates core courses in business strategy, financial management, and organizational behavior with elective courses in areas such as marketing analytics, supply chain management, and global business trends. This structure enables students to apply business and administrative principles to complex real-world challenges, from optimizing operational efficiencies to navigating dynamic market environments. In some programs, students can choose between two culminating experiences: Research Thesis, Capstone Project. Both pathways cultivate critical competencies in strategic decision-making, leadership, and adaptability, empowering graduates to thrive in diverse business sectors, including finance, technology, and international trade.

Research Thesis Capstone Project Designed for practical application, Suited for those pursuing in-depth this option equips professionals with academic exploration, this pathway hands-on skills for industry leadership hones investigative and analytical skills, roles. Projects often involve developing ideal for careers in business research. business plans, conducting market consulting, or academia. Students analyses, or implementing organizational undertake rigorous studies, contributing change initiatives, preparing graduates to fields like strategic management or for immediate impact in corporate or economic forecasting entrepreneurial settings

Master in Public Administration	Executive Master in Public Administration	Executive Master in Governance and Public Policies
MSc in Finance	MSc in Health Administration	MSc in Health Administration
Executive Master in Health Administration	Master of Professional Accounting	MSc in Economics
Executive Master in Economics	MSc in Business Administration	MSc in Human Resources
MSc in Decision Sciences	MSc in E-business	Executive Master in Business Administration
Executive Master in Insurance	Executive Master in Business Analytics	

C. Program Components:

Master in Public Administration

Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

Tracks

Local Administration Budget & Public Policies

Leadership & Strategic Management

Executive Master in Public Administration

Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

Executive Master in Governance and Public Policies

Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

MSc in Finance

Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

MSc in Health Administration

Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

Tracks

Health Insurance

Health Care Quality

Health Policies

Executive Master in Health Administration

Capstone Project: 36 credit hours

MSc in Accounting

Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

Master of Professional Accounting

Research Thesis: 30 credit hours - Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

MSc in Economics

Research Thesis: 32 credit hours - Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

Executive Master in Economics

Capstone Project: 30 credit hours

MSc in Business Administration

Capstone Project: 48 credit hours

Tracks

General	Finance
Marketing	Operationals

MSc in Human Resources

Capstone Project: 45 credit hours

MSc in Decision Sciences

Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

MSc in E-business

Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

Executive Master in Business Administration

Capstone Project: 43 credit hours

Executive Master in Insurance

Capstone Project: 36 credit hours

Executive Master in Business Analytics

Capstone Project: 36 credit hours

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4. Master Programs in Social Sciences and Humanities

A. Programs Outline

The Master of Arts (MA) in Social Sciences and Humanities at KSU is crafted for individuals seeking to deepen their expertise through advanced academic study, preparing them for careers in policy analysis, cultural research, education, or doctoral studies. These programs offer a rich curriculum that integrates core courses in social theory, cultural studies, and historical analysis with elective courses in disciplines such as anthropology, sociology, political science, or literary studies. This interdisciplinary framework enables students to apply critical perspectives to complex real-world issues, such as social inequalities, cultural identity, or global migration. In some programs, students can choose between two culminating experiences: Research Thesis, Capstone Project. Both pathways cultivate essential competencies in critical thinking, cross-cultural understanding, and ethical reasoning, empowering graduates to thrive in diverse fields, including education, public policy, cultural preservation, and international development. KSU's MA Social Sciences and Humanities programs offer flexible specializations, such as gender studies, environmental humanities, or global cultural studies, to align with diverse career aspirations. Supported by archival resources, community partnerships, and expert faculty, students are well-equipped to address pressing societal challenges and contribute meaningfully to the advancement of human knowledge and social progress.

Research Thesis

Suited for those pursuing in-depth academic inquiry, this pathway hones investigative and analytical skills, ideal for careers in academia, research, or policy development. Students undertake rigorous projects, contributing to fields like social justice, cultural heritage, or political theory.

Capstone Project

Designed for practical application, this option equips professionals with hands-on skills for roles in community development, cultural institutions, or advocacy. Projects may include designing community outreach programs, analyzing policy impacts, or curating cultural exhibitions, preparing graduates for immediate impact in public, nonprofit, or cultural sectors.

MA in Arabic Language	MA in History	MA in National History of KSA
MA in Geography	MA in Geographical Information Systems	MA in Sociology
MA in Social Service	Executive Master in Family Sociology	Executive Master in Social Service
Executive Master in Family counselling	MA in Information Science	MA in Psychology
MA in Teaching Arabic to Speakers of Other Languages	MA in Development skills of Teacher of Arabic as a Second Language	MA in Translation Studies (French Language)
MA in Translation (English Language)	MA in Applied Linguistics	MA in English Literature
MA in Theoretical Linguistics	MA in Comparative Literary and Cultural Studies	Executive Master in Justice Administration
MA in Physical Education	Executive Master in Physical Education	MA in Sports and Recreation Management
Executive Master in Sports and Recreation Management		

C. Program Components:

MA in Arabic Language

Research Thesis: 27 credit hours

Tracks

Literature & Literary Criticism

Grammer & Language

MA in History

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

Tracks

Ancient History

Islamic History

Modern History

MA in National History of KSA

Capstone Project: 47 credit hours

MA in Geography

Research Thesis: 32 credit hours

Tracks

Sustainable Regional Development Environment & Natural Resources

> **Population & Development** Cartography

MA in Geographical Information Systems

Research Thesis: 27 credit hours - Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

MA in Sociology

Research Thesis: 28 credit hours - Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

MA in Social Service

Research Thesis: 28 credit hours

Executive Master in Family Sociology

Capstone Project: 30 credit hours

Executive Master in Social Service

Capstone Project: 30 credit hours

Executive Master in Family counselling

Capstone Project: 30 credit hours

MA in Information Science

Research Thesis: 29 credit hours

MA in Psychology

Tracks

Measurement & Evaluation

Research Thesis: 31 credit hours Capstone Project: 36 credit hours

Social Psychology

Research Thesis: 31 credit hours Capstone Project: 36 credit hours

Developmental Psychology

Research Thesis: 31 credit hours Capstone Project: 36 credit hours

Counseling Psychology

Research Thesis: 37 credit hours Capstone Project: 44 credit hours

Psychological Services for Extraordinary People

Research Thesis: 31 credit hours Capstone Project: 36 credit hours

Industrial Psychology

Research Thesis: 31 credit hours
Capstone Project: 36 credit hours

Educational Psychology

Research Thesis: 31 credit hours Capstone Project: 36 credit hours

Clinical Psychology

Research Thesis: 37 credit hours Capstone Project: 45 credit hours

MA in Teaching Arabic to Speakers of Other Languages Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

MA in Development skills of Teacher of Arabic as a Second Language Research Thesis: 37 credit hours - Capstone Project: 37 credit hours

MA in Translation Studies (French Language)

Research Thesis: 42 credit hours

MA in Translation (English Language)

Research Thesis: 36 credit hours - Capstone Project: 36 credit hours

MA in Applied Linguistics

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours - Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

MA in English Literature

Capstone Project: 39 credit hours

MA in Theoretical Linguistics

Research Thesis: 31 credit hours - Capstone Project: 34 credit hours

MA in Comparative Literary and Cultural Studies

Capstone Project: 36 credit hours

Executive master in Justice Administration

Capstone Project: 32 credit hours

MA in Physical Education

Research Thesis: 32 credit hours

Executive Master in Family Sociology

Capstone Project: 36 credit hours

MA in Sports and Recreation Management

Research Thesis: 37 credit hours

Executive Master in Sports and Recreation Management

Capstone Project: 36 credit hours

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5. Master Programs in Law & Legal Studies

A. Programs Outline

The Master of Arts (MA) in Law and Legal Studies at KSU is designed for individuals seeking to advance their expertise through rigorous academic study, preparing them for careers in legal analysis, policy development, advocacy, or doctoral research. These programs offer a comprehensive curriculum that integrates core courses in legal theory, constitutional law, and jurisprudence with elective courses in areas such as international law, human rights, criminal justice, or environmental law. This interdisciplinary framework enables students to apply legal principles to complex real-world challenges, such as access to justice, regulatory compliance, or global governance.

In some programs, students can choose between two culminating experiences: Research Thesis, Capstone Project. Both pathways foster critical competencies in legal reasoning, ethical decision-making, and effective communication, empowering graduates to excel in diverse fields, including legal consultancy, public policy, judicial administration, and international law. KSU's MA Law and Legal Studies programs offer flexible specializations, such as corporate law, civil rights, or global legal studies, to align with varied career aspirations. Supported by access to legal databases, moot court opportunities, and expert faculty, students are well-equipped to address pressing legal challenges and contribute meaningfully to the advancement of justice and societal progress.

Research Thesis

Ideal for those pursuing in-depth academic inquiry, this pathway sharpens investigative and analytical skills, perfect for careers in academia, legal research, or policy analysis. Students undertake rigorous projects, contributing to fields like constitutional law, legal ethics, or international human rights.

Capstone Project

Focused on practical application, this option equips professionals with hands-on skills for roles in legal practice, advocacy, or public policy. Projects may involve drafting policy briefs, analyzing case law, or developing legal reform proposals, preparing graduates for immediate impact in government, nonprofit, or legal sectors.

B. List of Programs

MA in Political Science	Master of Law in Public Law
Master of Law in Private Law	Executive Master in Taxation Law

C. Program Components:

MA in Political Science

Tracks

Political Sciences	International & Regional Organizations
Political Sciences Research Thesis: 29 credit hours Capstone Project: 42 credit hours	International & Regional Organizations Capstone Project: 36 credit hours

Master of Law in Public Law

Research Thesis: 29 credit hours - Capstone Project: 45 credit hours

Master of Law in Private Law

Research Thesis: 32 credit hours - Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

Executive Master in Taxation Law

Capstone Project: 34 credit hours

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6. Master Programs in Arts, Design & Communication

A. Programs Outline

The Master of Arts (MA) in Art, Design, and Communication at KSU is crafted for individuals seeking to advance their creative and analytical expertise through rigorous academic study, preparing them for careers in visual arts, graphic design, media production, or doctoral research. These programs offer a dynamic curriculum that integrates core courses in art theory, design principles, and communication strategies with elective courses in areas such as digital media, illustration, branding, or visual storytelling. This interdisciplinary framework enables students to apply creative and communicative principles to complex real-world challenges, such as engaging diverse audiences, shaping cultural narratives, or innovating user experiences.

In some programs, students can choose between two culminating experiences: Research Thesis, Capstone Project. Both pathways foster critical competencies in creative problem-solving, visual literacy, and effective communication, empowering graduates to excel in diverse fields, including advertising, museum curation, digital content creation, and user experience design. KSU's MA Art, Design, and Communication programs offer flexible specializations, such as interactive media, environmental design, or global communication studies, to align with varied career aspirations. Supported by state-of-the-art studios, industry partnerships, and expert faculty, students are well-equipped to address contemporary creative challenges and contribute meaningfully to the advancement of art, design, and societal engagement.

Research Thesis

Suited for those pursuing in-depth academic inquiry, this pathway sharpens investigative and analytical skills, ideal for careers in art criticism, curatorial research, or academia. Students undertake rigorous projects, contributing to fields like contemporary art, design history, or media theory.

Capstone Project

Focused on practical application, this option equips professionals with handson skills for roles in creative industries, marketing, or media production. Projects may involve designing multimedia campaigns, creating exhibition installations, or developing branding strategies, preparing graduates for immediate impact in commercial, cultural, or nonprofit sectors.

B. List of Programs

MA in Archeology	MA in Heritage Management
Executive Master in Tourism and Hospitality	MA in Mass Communication

C. Program Components:

MA in Archeology

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours

Tracks

MA in Heritage Management Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

Executive Master in Tourism and Hospitality

Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

MA in Mass Communication
Research Thesis: 33 credit hours

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7. Master Programs in Education & Teaching

A. Programs Outline

The Master of Arts (MA) in Education and Teaching at KSU is designed for individuals seeking to advance their expertise through rigorous academic study, preparing them for careers in teaching, educational leadership, curriculum development, or doctoral research. These programs offer a comprehensive curriculum that integrates core courses in educational theory, pedagogy, and classroom management with elective courses in areas such as special education, instructional technology, literacy development, or culturally responsive teaching. This interdisciplinary framework enables students to apply evidence-based educational principles to complex real-world challenges, such as fostering inclusive classrooms, enhancing student engagement, or addressing diverse learning needs.

In some programs, students can choose between two culminating experiences: Research Thesis, Capstone Project. Both pathways foster critical competencies in instructional design, reflective practice, and collaborative leadership, empowering graduates to excel in diverse fields, including classroom teaching, educational consulting, school administration, and professional development. KSU's MA Education and Teaching programs offer flexible specializations, such as STEM education, early childhood education, or educational policy, to align with varied career aspirations. Supported by field-based practicums, partnerships with local schools, and expert faculty, students are well-equipped to address contemporary educational challenges and contribute meaningfully to the advancement of teaching and learning.

Research Thesis

Ideal for those pursuing in-depth academic inquiry, this pathway sharpens investigative and analytical skills, perfect for careers in educational research, policy analysis, or academia. Students undertake rigorous projects, contributing to fields like learning sciences, educational equity, or curriculum theory.

Capstone Project

Focused on practical application, this option equips professionals with hands-on skills for roles in teaching, school administration, or curriculum design. Projects may involve developing lesson plans, designing professional development workshops, or implementing innovative teaching strategies, preparing graduates for immediate impact in K-12 schools, higher education, or educational organizations.

B. List of Programs

MA in Qur'anic Recitations	MA in Tafseer (Qur'anic Interpretation)	Master of Islamic Studies (Creed/ Sunnah and its Sciences/Jurisprudence and its Fundamentals)
MA in Educational Administration	MA in Education (Fundamentals of Education/Adult Education and Continuing Learning)	MA in Educational Policies
MA in Early Childhood Education	MA in Teaching Techniques	MA in Special Education
MA in Education: Curriculum and Instruction (General Curriculum and Instruction)	MA in Education: Social Science Instruction	MA in Education: Mathematics Instruction
MA in Education: Islamic Sciences Instruction	MA in Education: Arabic Language Instruction	MA in Education: Computer Instruction
MA in Education: Art Education Instruction	MA in Education: Physical Education Instruction	MA in Education: English Language Instruction
MA in Education: Teaching English to Speakers of other Language		

C. Program Components:

MA in Qur'anic Recitations

Research Thesis: 32 credit hours

MA in Tafseer (Qur'anic Interpretation)

Research Thesis: 32 credit hours

MA of Islamic Studies (Creed/ Sunnah and its Sciences/ Jurisprudence and its Fundamentals)

Research Thesis: 32 credit hours

Tracks

Islamic Studies - Believe

Sunnah & its Sciences

Islamic Studies - Figh & Usul Figh

MA in Educational Administration

Research Thesis: 34 credit hours - Capstone Project: 45 credit hours

MA in Education (Fundamentals of Education/ Adult Education and Continuing Learning)

Research Thesis: 34 credit hours

Tracks

Fundamentals Of Education

Adult & Continuing Education

MA in Educational Policies

Research Thesis: 37 credit hours - Capstone Project: 39 credit hours

MA in Early Childhood Education

Research Thesis: 33 credit hours - Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

MA in Teaching Techniques

Research Thesis: 31 credit hours - Capstone Project: 44 credit hours

MA in Special Education

Research Thesis: 26 credit hours - Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

Tracks

Behavioral & Emotional Disturbance	Learning Disabilities
Hearing Disability	Intellectual Disability

MA in Education: Curriculum and Instruction (General Curriculum and Instruction)

Research Thesis: 32 credit hours

MA in Education: Science Instruction

Research Thesis: 32 credit hours - Capstone Project: 44 credit hours

MA in Education: Social Science Instruction

Research Thesis: 32 credit hours

MA in Education: Mathematics Instruction

Research Thesis: 32 credit hours

MA in Education: Islamic Sciences Instruction

Research Thesis: 27 credit hours - Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

MA in Education: Arabic Language Instruction

Research Thesis: 32 credit hours

MA in Education: Computer Instruction

Research Thesis: 35 credit hours - Capstone Project: 40 credit hours

MA in Education: Art Education Instruction

Research Thesis: 32 credit hours - Capstone Project: 43 credit hours

MA in Education: Physical Education Instruction

Research Thesis: 28 credit hours - Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

MA in Education: English Language Instruction

Research Thesis: 32 credit hours - Capstone Project: 42 credit hours

MA in Education: Teaching English to Speakers of other Language

Research Thesis: 42 credit hours



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