

King Saud University Vice Rectorate for Graduate Studies and Scientific Research External Joint Supervision Program



What is EJSP?

The King Saud University (KSU) in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia has a program called **External Joint Supervision Program** (**EJSP**) through which female lecturers and demonstrators of KSU receive full financial support to obtain higher degrees at renowned international Universities. The EJSP is based on a split-site joint-supervision mode of study for a full-time PhD program.

KSU is offering the EJSP to those who have difficulty in staying abroad for long periods of time. The program is an effort to enable them to obtain their PhD degree from well-known international universities while reducing the time spent at the university to approximately 2 months per year. **The resulting degree would be a degree your institution offers** and the student would have to adhere to your institution's rules and regulations governing this degree.

There would be a main supervisor from your institution and a co-supervisor from KSU. The main supervisor can visit KSU to supervise the progress of the student's research work once or twice per year (5 days per visit) on an as-needed basis. The visits of the main supervisor will be funded by KSU (tickets, accommodation), help with obtaining a visa will be provided. In case a supervisory team was assigned, any member of that team can visit in place of the main supervisor. Similarly, if necessary, the KSU supervisor would visit your institution once per year, at the same time that the student will be visiting so that all parties will meet.

There is a complete administration handling all issues related to EJSP at KSU. Starting from the time a lecturer/demonstrator applies to the program, following her status while searching for an acceptance at an international university, facilitating student and supervisor visits, all the way until her graduation following up on the required bi-annual reports as well as the visit reports.

This program would not only benefit the student, but would also lead to building up collaborations in research in addition to exchanging expertise between faculty members of our institutions.

We hope that this brief introduction has been useful. If you have any questions about the EJSP model, or if you would like more details about tuition and financial matters, please do not hesitate to contact us. The Director of the EJSP is Dr. Ibrahim AlHarkan. Dr. Nadia Al-Ghreimil is his Assistant Director; she can be reached at ghreimil@ksu.edu.sa.

With best wishes, EJSP Administration

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