

# Hawler Medical University

## Overview

Based in the city of Erbil, Hawler Medical University is a public university set up by the Council of Ministers of the Iraqi Kurdistan Regional Government in the year 2005. The university was established to include the medical group colleges that belonged to the University of Salahaddin-Erbil. The overall aim of the development of Hawler Medical University was to improve the medical education in the Kurdistan region as well as to have better and more effective management of the colleges.

Being the first medical group of a university in Iraq, Hawler Medical University offers undergraduate and postgraduate studies in different medical and health Sciences. The university currently encompasses five colleges – College of Medicine, College of Dentistry, College of Pharmacy, College of Nursing, and College of Health Sciences. It has two main campuses which are located in Erbil city.

With the endorsement by the Council of Iraqi Federal government in March 2006, Hawler Medical University has progressed to establish itself as a modern and successful center for medical and health education and research. It is backed up by the efforts of committed and talented staff and the support of Iraqi Kurdistan regional government. Hawler Medical University's success is intended to increase its service to the community in Kurdistan region as a whole.



## Vision and Mission

Hawler Medical University is intended to be an innovative center of excellence in learning and research while supporting students and researchers committed to assisting the community. The aim is to promote the development of students to reach their true potential in becoming competent, ethical, caring and inquiring doctors, dentists, pharmacists, nurses, midwives, and laboratory technicians as well as visionary leaders.

Hawler Medical University is committed to academic freedom and the principles of equal opportunity with no discriminations in delivering its services and applying knowledge with high standards of intellectual, educational, and research productivity. It is intended to become a learning institution that provides education and research services in all fields of health and education like a modern medical university in a well-developed country.

## University Logo

The straight lines inside the emblem and the short upper lines refer to Erbil Citadel, which is the symbol of Erbil city and its ancient history and civilization.

The nail and snake: the nail is the first symbol of writing by the human being, and it shows that the place is very ancient. The snake is a symbol of wisdom, health, and medicine.

The eagle is a symbol of determination, proud, strive, and revolution of our nation.

The lines around the Citadel are symbols of the scientific route and the way of the university which goes with wisdom and preciseness. It is also a symbol of communication between the history, past, present, and future.



## Hawler Medical University at a Glance More than Just Education

The university caters to student education and overall development with utmost dedication and in the same regards, likes to conduct complete review and revisions of the curriculum and learning methodologies in different colleges.

Within the College of Medicine, it has been successful in shifting from the classical medical curriculum towards the spiral integrated medical curriculum model. According to the university, there has been a focus on applying small group teaching and problem-based learning. The important topics of communication skills, scientific debate, critical thinking, professionalism, and ethics have been incorporated into the study program. All the colleges in the university started to apply these changes in their study programs. Some of the colleges are working to shift the study program toward a credit-based system based on the Bologna process.

Additionally, keeping keen eyes on new trends and technology advancements, the university has taken important steps toward digitalization of the learning and management systems. Its new Moodle System has been installed successfully and is used as an online learning platform. The University has successfully achieved digitalizing of the professional development and faculty portfolio systems. Moreover, a new and contemporary website has been launched for the university.

In terms of scientific research, the university includes an advanced and well-equipped scientific research center, and the university encourages the staff to conduct research and publish their papers in internationally reputed journals. Training and

Capacity development programs are continuously provided to the faculty staff and postgraduate students.

The Center for Research and Education in Women's Health has been established at Hawler Medical University to promote research on women's health and gender differences related to health. The center supports a network of faculty members in multiple disciplines who are interested in research collaborations to study various aspects of women's health and women's rights to health.

When it comes to ranking, the University has seen rapid advancement in the ranking process at the national and international level. It is currently ranked in the first groups of universities in the National University Ranking in Iraqi Kurdistan Region. Round University Ranking ranks Hawler Medical University at 5th place in Iraq, and it has been bestowed with the highest ranking in the Iraqi Kurdistan Region in the faculty staff ranking domain.

On teaching level, the University has an excellent teacher-to-student ratio. The academic staff is experienced in both clinical and research aspects, and the ratio of those with full professorship and assistant professors is remarkably high compared to the other universities in the region and Iraq as a whole. This feature has helped in applying small group teaching.

The University also has a well-equipped and advanced medical research center with experienced researchers working in different medical fields. It also includes the Center for Research, Education in Women Health.

### **Accomplished Alumni**

The university has a career development center, which is administered by experienced and well-trained staff and organizes regular activities and job fairs. All the graduates of the different colleges of Hawler Medical University are recruited by the Iraqi Kurdistan Ministry of Health to serve in the public health sector. Graduates also work in the private health sector in private hospitals, clinics, laboratories, and pharmaceutical companies. The graduates who opt to work outside of the country and move to Europe or the US, are successful in obtaining jobs, equalizing their degrees, and pursue postgraduate studies.

### **Education for Tomorrow**

The University keeps itself in line with the future to be ready for the ever-evolving medical field. For this, it regularly conducts a complete review of the syllabi and academic programs. The University is moving forward toward the application of spiral integrated medical curriculum model, small group teaching, expanding the clinical skills labs, and application of the Bologna process and credit transfer system in some colleges.



## **Undergraduate Studies**

Students are admitted to undergraduate studies through a central admission system and on an equal and competitive opportunity basis. Candidates for undergraduate studies must have completed the secondary school/scientific branch with high grades depending on the college. In addition to the grade of graduation, a high grade is required in three subjects; Biology, Chemistry, and Physics.

Before admission and commencement of studies, the concerned colleges conduct individual interviews with the prospective students.

The undergraduate studies are free of charge for most of the local students who are admitted through the central admission. The university also provides accommodations for students coming from outside Erbil city.

Each year a limited percentage of the students are admitted through the parallel system that involves tuition fees. International students are welcomed and encouraged to study at the university and participate in our academic learning experience through the parallel system.

## **Post-graduate Studies**

MSc and Higher Diploma study programs

Postgraduate studies of MSc and higher diploma require a university degree and a certain period of experience depending on the specialty. Admission is through a competitive and equal opportunity basis. Candidates have to pass a special examination in the related subject. English language competency test is also necessary for admission to postgraduate studies.

The higher diploma program (professional degree) consists of two years. The first year program consists of taught courses in basic medical studies, biostatistics, and relevant fields. The second year is for research. The students will also be engaged in clinical practice during the two years. Admission to the program requires two year experience in the relevant fields for the medical and surgical specialties.

The MSc program consists of two years. The first year is composed of intensive taught courses in basic medical studies, biostatistics, and relevant fields. The second year is for research and thesis of around 120 pages.

Students to be chosen for completing their PhD should have an MSc degree. Two years of experience after getting the MSc are required as well as a special exam in the related subject in order to be qualified for PhD study. Selection of candidates is also made on a competitive basis. The PhD program consists of 3 years, of which six months are for taught courses in basic medical studies and the relevant fields, while the remained period is for research and writing thesis of around 200 pages.

## **Structure of Hawler Medical University**

Hawler Medical University is composed of the following institutions:

- College of Medicine
- College of Dentistry
- College of Pharmacy
- College of Nursing
- College of Health Sciences
- Medical Research Center



## **University Council**

The University Council is the highest governing body of the university. The council holds regular meetings to discuss the general strategy and plans of the university, make decisions on issues that are at authority of the Council and make suggestions to the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research.

The University Council comprises of the following members:

Assist. Prof. Dr. Dara O. Meran, University President,  
Head of Council

Assist. Prof. Dr. Kamaran Y. Mohammadamin, Vice  
President for Admin and Financial Affairs, Member

Assist. Prof. Dr. Nazar P. Shabila, Vice President for  
Scientific Affairs and Postgraduate Studies, Member

Assist. Prof. Dr. Hawre M. Baker, Vice President for  
Students Affairs, Member

Professor Dr. Ali A. Dabbagh, Dean of College of  
Medicine, Member

Assist. Prof. Dr. Dara HR Saed, Dean of College of  
Dentistry, Member

Assist. Prof. Dr. Alaadin M. Naqishbandi, Dean of College  
of Pharmacy, Member

Assist. Prof. Dr. Yousif Y. Gardi, Dean of College of  
Nursing, Member

Assist. Prof. Dr. Hamdia M.  
Ahmed, Dean of College of Health Sciences, Member

Assist. Prof. Dr. Yasin Karim Amin, Director General  
of Medical Research Center, Member

Dr. Aveen HM Fattah, Secretary

## University President

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The University President is responsible for overseeing all activities and issues of the university and its colleges.

### About the President

Helming affairs at the University as its **President** is **Dr. Dara O. Meran**. He holds a BSc from the University of Mosul, an MSc and a Ph.D. from Poznan Academy Poland. In his illustrious career, Dr. Meran has played diverse roles in the education sector and has an extensive experience in higher education management and administration. He previously held positions of Vice President for Administration and Financial Affairs at the University of Salahaddin (1998-2004) and the Dean of the Colleges of Science (2000), Physical Education (1998 and 2004-2008), and Pharmacy (2010). He has taken part in different management and educational training courses in and outside the country.

During his tenure at HMU, at first, he was University's Vice President for Admin and Finance Affairs (2008-2015) and later in 2015 he was selected as the University's President. Under his leadership, the university has advanced well in changing and developing the medical programs toward the spiral integrated medical curriculum model and in many other role developments, digitalization of the learning process, and research.

Dr. Meran has been instrumental in the conception of new departments and increasing the enrollment rate of undergraduate and postgraduate students. When it comes to his contribution in addition and accreditation of study programs, his efforts have led to a rise of the ranking of the university in the local and world university rankings. Overall, he has uplifted the whole university and as a result, HMU is now in the top group of universities in Kurdistan region.



### **Vice President for Administration and Finance Affairs**

Assistant Professor Dr. Kamaran Y. Mohammadamin, PhD

Vice President

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The Vice President for Administration and Finance Affairs oversees all activities related to administration, personnel, finance, warehousing, legal office, engineering, and media.

Specific activities include:

Approve the personnel issues related to the recruitment of staff, promotion, increases in salaries, etc.

Approve and follow-up of administrative, procurement and financial activities

Review and comments on minutes of colleges councils' meetings

Supervise the contractual and construction matters

Supervise the supply of equipment and furniture and manage the warehousing and logistics activities

Supervise the university activities related to the graduation ceremony, scientific trips, etc

### **Vice President for Scientific Affairs and Postgraduate Studies**

Assistant Prof. Dr. Nazar P. Shabila, PhD

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This division oversees all activities related to the departments of scientific affairs and postgraduate studies, international academic relations and quality assurance in addition to the Center for Research and Education in Women's Health, capacity development courses and the university scientific journals.

Goals of the division:

Actively contribute to building the institutional strength and reputation of Hawler Medical University.

Assist in maximizing student learning, engagement and success and creating an environment for students to excel.

Provide an encouraging environment for faculty staff to plan and implement research projects.

Build institutional quality.

Foster external community involvement.

Specific responsibilities and activities:

Prepare the annual postgraduate studies plan and manage its implementation through the five colleges

Recommend sending faculty members and university/faculty staff to participate in training and conferences

Manage the application for scholarship programs and recommend on granting financial assistance to students who obtain scholarships or study offers from international universities

Manage and follow up degree equalization examination for the degrees obtained from abroad

Head the scientific titles granting committee to new faculty members  
Maintain high level relations and communications with the international universities  
Build-up the libraries in the five colleges and enrich them with resources and facilities  
Supervise and coordinate the work of the central scientific promotion committee  
Oversee the quality assurance work in the university and the colleges including the continuing academic development, students' feedback, and faculty portfolio activities  
Supervise the work related to the university ranking within the Kurdistan National University Ranking and other international ranking systems  
Oversee the contact and collaboration with international universities and institutions  
Oversee the scientific journals of the university

### **Vice President for Students Affairs**

Assistant Professor Dr. Hawre M. Baker, PhD

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The Vice President for Students Affairs oversees all activities related to undergraduate studies, registration, students' representativeness, dormitories, sport, and social activities, and other students' affairs.

Specific activities include:

Oversee the work of the university general registrar and the registrars at the colleges.

Oversee the transfer and hosting of undergraduate students.

Oversee the preparation and implementation of the calendar year.

Oversee the work of the directorate of dormitories and approve accepting students in the dormitories and ensure the supply of requirements and provision of services.

Plan and implement sport and social activities.

Supervise the health and safety activities

Supervise the IT department

Supervise the alumni activities

Act as a key contact with the students' representatives and convey their concerns to the University President and the University Council.

### **Directorate of International Academic Relations**

The Directorate of Academic Relations is responsible for the following activities:

Develop and maintain academic relationship and communication with other universities and academic institutions in and outside Iraq.

Assist in the management of the application for scholarships and processing of scholarships.

Assist in the organization of seminars, workshops, and conferences within the university in cooperation with other departments of the university.

Advise students about the application process to the international universities and any other academic issues related to their study

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### **Directorate of Quality Assurance**

The Directorate of Quality Assurance at Hawler Medical University was established in 2009. The directorate overlooks issues related to quality assurance and accreditation in the educational system.

Specific activities include:

Develop an overall strategic plan for quality assurance, and accreditation to assist in improving the quality of the academic programs and that of their graduates.

Oversee the continuing medical education, teacher portfolio, and faculty evaluation by students.

Ensure that the process and achievement of quality are within the national and international standards and that the quality of learning opportunity, research, and community involvement are appropriate and fulfill the expectations of the range of stakeholders.

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Director of Quality Assurance

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### **Director of Scientific Affairs and Postgraduate Studies**

The directorate is composed of 4 staff members. The directorate is responsible for the following activities:

Assist in preparation of the yearly postgraduate studies plan

Assist in the implementation of postgraduate studies plan through the four colleges

Assist in the management of the application for scholarships and processing of scholarships

Draft correspondence related to the approval process of degrees obtained outside the country

Statistical data collection from colleges

Follow up of correspondences with the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research

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Director

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## **Directorate of General Registration**

Specific responsibilities:

Issuance of university orders for

Accepting students in the colleges

Relocation of students from and to other universities in and outside the region

Relocation of students to other colleges

Exchange of correspondences with colleges, and other related bodies.

Preparation and issuance of certificates for the graduates

Check the authenticity of all graduates' certificates

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General Registrar

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## **Directorate of Health and Safety**

The Directorate of Health and Safety works to ensure that all environmental health and safety hazards are appropriately addressed. Through training and consultation with the university personnel and local officials, the department commits itself to the safety of the university facilities and the surrounding broader community.

Specific responsibilities:

Promote health and safety as a part of every classroom, laboratory, and the worksite in order to enhance knowledge of safe and healthy practices.

Provide the means by which each university member can take charge of his/her own personal health.

Provide accessibility and advice on health and safety regulations, procedures, and standards and help ensure continued compliance.

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## **Website development and digitalization of the learning process**

This unit supervise and implement activities related to website development and digitalization of the learning process including provision of training and advice to the different committees and units in the university and its colleges. It also work on digitalizing the admin and personnel activities in the university.

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## **Career Development Center**

The Career Development Center works to develop skillful and active students and engage with the private sector so they can have more opportunities for employment in the private sector. The center is the right place to start your career. The mission of the center is to provide career services and to train to students to prepare them for successful employment after graduation. It provides students with training, tools, and resources to support them in their job search in specific fields.

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## **Center for Research and Education in Women's Health**

The Center for Research and Education in Women's Health is intended to be a unique research and academic center for women's health in Kurdistan and in Iraq by providing training to a diverse team of future academic leaders in women's health, promoting a multidisciplinary agenda in women's health research and working toward improving the life and status of women in the community.

The mission of the Center for Research and Education in Women's Health is to improve the health of all women through leadership in research, education, advocacy, and community partnership projects.

The center aims to promote research on women's health and on gender differences related to health by supporting a network of faculty members in multiple disciplines who are interested in research collaborations to study various aspects of women's health and women's right to health.

### **Goals**

- To promote the development of interdisciplinary research teams around specific topics; provide mentoring opportunities for students and junior faculty members, and facilitate the preparation of grant applications.
- To contribute to the development of health promotion, disease prevention, health services delivery, and health policy approaches to improving women's health and wellbeing.
- The center will promote women's health in a variety of ways:  
**Research:** center members will conduct scientific research related to promoting and improving the health of women and girls across the lifespan.

**Education:** the center will offer seminars and conferences on women's health for the university and the greater community.

**Training:** the center will sponsor internships and fellowships for student trainees and junior faculties in women's health.

**Community projects:** center members will actively maintain research and education partnerships with community organizations and individuals interested in women's health.

### **Contact**

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Director

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## **Scientific Journals**

Hawler Medical University has three scientific journals;

### **Zanco Journal of Medical Sciences**

Zanco Journal of Medical Sciences (Zanco J Med Sci) is the scientific journal of Hawler Medical University. Zanco J Med Sci is a peer-reviewed, open access journal with eISSN: 1995-5596, pISSN:1995-5588 and DOI: 10.15218/zjms. The journal is published three times per year in both hard and electronic copies.

Zanco J Med Sci is indexed in the Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ) and is included in Hinari, IMEMR, and the Iraqi Academic Scientific Journals (IASJ) database.

[zjms.hmu.edu.krd](http://zjms.hmu.edu.krd)

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### **Erbil Dental Journal**

Erbil Dental Journal (EDJ) is published by the College of Dentistry, Hawler Medical University. EDJ is a peer-review, open access journal, which is published two times per year. EDJ aims to publish peer-reviewed manuscripts of Iraqi, regional and international interests. Submissions on basic sciences, clinical or laboratory investigations of relevance to dentistry come within the scope of its publications. Original articles, review articles, case reports, brief communications, insights, and letters to the editor are all considered.

[edj.hmu.edu.krd](http://edj.hmu.edu.krd)

### **Erbil Journal of Nursing and Midwifery**

EJNM is the official journal of the College of Nursing/Hawler Medical University in Erbil City. EJNM is a peer-review, open access, online and print system journal, which is published biannually. The journal welcomes submissions of original and significant contributions.

EJNM aims to publish peer-reviewed manuscripts of regional and international interest. The editors welcome papers that develop and promote knowledge and practice that is directly relevant to all spheres of health care, especially nursing and midwifery globally.

[ejnm.hmu.edu.krd](http://ejnm.hmu.edu.krd)

### **Scientific Conferences**

Hawler Medical University holds a number of important regular national and international scientific conferences including;

The International Scientific Conference of Hawler Medical University

The International Scientific Conference of the College of Medicine

Hawler Pharmaceutical Sciences Conference

Women's Health Conference

[conferences.hmu.edu.krd](http://conferences.hmu.edu.krd)

## **College of Medicine**

The College of Medicine of Hawler Medical University is the oldest medical institution in the Kurdistan region of Iraq. It was founded in 1977 as part of Sulaimaniyah University; then became one of Salahaddin University's colleges in 1981. The College then came under the management of Hawler Medical University in 2005.

The period of study in the College is 6 years. Students will be awarded the degree of M.B.Ch.B (Bachelor in Medicine and General Surgery) upon completion of their study. English is the language of instruction throughout the period of study.

Admission to the College is through the Ministry of Higher Education's Central Admission Office. Each year an average of 140 students are admitted. Students get clinical training at 7 affiliated teaching hospitals in Erbil City.

The College of Medicine provides education and training for Higher Diploma students in majority of clinical specialties including some subspecialties. It is also a recognized center for MSc and PhD students in almost all basic and a number of clinical medical sciences.

Since the last couple of years, and as part of the quality assurance process, the college has started changing curriculum and adopted the recent methods of medical education including small group teaching for the 4th, 5th, and 6th year medical students. A new skills lab was also established and students started using it for training purposes. The college has recently initiated and adopted an outcome-based integrated spiral curriculum for medical education.

Students: 919 undergraduate students, 110 postgraduate students

Teaching staff: 13 professors, 44 assistant professors, 158 lecturers, 36 assistant lecturers

## **Scientific Departments**

The College of Medicine is comprised of the following scientific departments;

Department of Basic Sciences

Department of Community Medicine

Department of Medicine

Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology

Department of Psychiatry

Department of Pediatrics

Department of Surgery

Dean of the College

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## **College of Dentistry**

The College of Dentistry of Hawler Medical University was founded in 1995 at the University of Salahaddin-Erbil. Then, it became under the management of Hawler Medical University when the university was established in 2005. The College receives up to 70 students each year. The study in the college is 5 years and the students get a B.D.S (bachelors degree). The college also provides opportunity of postgraduate studies including MSc and PhD degrees in different specialties of dentistry.

The college has 7 scientific departments. The college has good relation with the community as it provides best available treatment to patients attending the teaching clinics. The teaching clinics at the college offer all types of treatment to people by the 4th and 5th study year students as well as the MSc and PhD candidates under the supervision of the university teaching staff.

Students: 427 undergraduate students, 84 postgraduate students  
Teaching staff: 3 professors, 16 assistant professors, 41 lecturers, 56 assistant lecturers

## **Scientific Departments**

Department of Conservative Dentistry  
Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery  
Department of Periodontology  
Department of Pedodontics, Orthodontics and Preventive Dentistry (POP)  
Department of Prosthodontics  
Department of Basic Sciences  
Department of Oral Diagnosis and Oral Medicine

Dean of the College

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## **College of Pharmacy**

The College of Pharmacy of Hawler Medical University was the first college of pharmacy established in the Kurdistan region, Iraq. The college was founded in 1997 at the University of Salahaddin-Erbil. Then, it became under the management of Hawler Medical University when the university was established in 2005. The college offers BSc degree in Pharmacy. The college admits around 70 undergraduate students each year. The college also offers MSc degree in different topics of pharmacy in addition to PhD degree in a number of topics.

The College of Pharmacy is committed to the education of professional and graduate students who, upon graduation, can meet the public need for safe and effective pharmaceutical care. Students and college staff generate and disseminate knowledge contributing to the education and continual professional growth of pharmacists, educators, scientists, and other healthcare professionals. The characteristics of quality instruction, basic and applied research, community and professional service, and extensive instruction in all types of pharmacy practice settings contribute to making the College of Pharmacy programs rewarding and satisfying experiences.

Students: 453 undergraduate students, 39 postgraduate students  
Teaching staff: 1 professor, 13 assistant professors, 17 lecturers, 37 assistant lecturers

## **Scientific Departments**

Department of Pharmacognosy  
Department of Pharmaceutical Chemistry  
Department of Pharmacology  
Department of Pharmaceutics  
Department of Clinical Analysis

## **Dean of the college**

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## **College of Nursing**

The College of Nursing of Hawler Medical University is a dynamic center of educational excellence and a community of integrity and caring. The college was founded in 2002 at the University of Salahaddin-Erbil. Then, it become under the management of Hawler Medical University when the university was established in 2005

The faculty staff and administration of the college work together to prepare competent and caring professional nurses and midwives for leadership roles in the healthcare community.

The College of Nursing is one of the most comprehensive nursing schools in Iraq with undergraduate and graduate programs. It is one of the largest colleges of nursing in Iraq and Kurdistan Region. The college has a reputation for excellent academic performance, clinical knowledge, and leadership ability of its students and graduates.

The college offers BSc degree in Nursing and BSc degree in Midwifery. The college also offers MSc degree in different topics of nursing in addition to PhD degree in a number of topics.

Students: 606 undergraduate students, 40 postgraduate students  
Teaching staff: 3 professors, 6 assistant professors, 12 lecturers, 43 assistant lecturers

## **Scientific Departments**

Department of Nursing  
Department of Midwifery

### **Dean of the college**

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College of Nursing

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Erbil, Iraq

[hmu.edu.krd/en/colleges/college-of-nursing](http://hmu.edu.krd/en/colleges/college-of-nursing)

## **College of Health Sciences**

The College of Health Sciences was founded in 2012 to include two departments; Department of Medical Microbiology, Department of Clinical Biochemistry and Department of Physiotherapy.

The aim of the College of Health Sciences is to prepare highly qualified and trained medical laboratory technologists in healthcare system that become expertise in a wide range of disciplines including diagnosis of hospital-associated infections. The college aspires to be a recognized contributor in creating and applying new knowledge and technologies to improve health outcomes through a renowned college's program.

The college offers BSc degree in Medical Microbiology and BSc degree in Clinical Biochemistry.

Students: 405 undergraduate students

Teaching staff: 6 assistant professors, 7 lecturers, 13 assistant lecturers

## **Scientific Departments**

Department of Medical Microbiology

Department of Clinical Biochemistry

Department of Physiotherapy

## **Dean of the college**

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## **Medical Research Center**

The Medical Research Center of Hawler Medical University was founded in 2008. The Medical Research Center is a governmental, non-profit institute. The center is intended to become a pioneer research center in Erbil and the Kurdistan region.

The center provides training on various stages of research and supports the university researchers to undertake high quality research in different areas of interest.

Training is provided on research methodology, biostatistics, research writing and reference management, use laboratory equipment such as conventional and real time PCR machines gel electrophoresis and DNA testing.

Equipment and facilities are available to the researchers from the different colleges of Hawler Medical University as well as the other universities of Kurdistan to undertake research in different fields.

Researchers: 1 assistant professor, 3 lecturers, 5 assistant lecturers

## **Scientific Departments**

Department of Epidemiology and Environmental Health  
Department of Molecular Medicine  
Department of Cancer Research and Drug Development  
Department of Nutrition  
Department of Women's Health

Director General of the Medical Research Center

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## Teaching Hospitals

Hawler Medical University is connected to 7 teaching hospitals that provide facilities for practical training of students from the five colleges:

Rizgary Teaching Hospital – 400 beds

Erbil Teaching Hospital – 500 beds

Maternity Hospital – 200 beds

Raparin Paediatrics Hospital – 150 beds

Rojawa Emergency Hospital – 85 beds

Rojhalat Emergency Hospital – 60 beds

Emergency Medical Center – 40 beds



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