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#### IEQA Manual Review and Approval Workflow

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#### Introduction

The Mohamed bin Zayed University of Artificial Intelligence's (hereafter 'MBZUAI' or 'University') Institutional Effectiveness and Quality Assurance Manual (hereafter the 'IEQA Manual' or 'Manual') outlines the process for planning, executing, monitoring, and enhancing the quality of all programs and services offered by the university. This Manual describes the quality assurance system and defines what is to be assessed, by whom, when, and how. For each area of the institution, it describes the type of evidence to be collected and analyzed to evaluate effectiveness, the instruments to collect that data and how the results will be assessed and incorporated into institutional and program enhancement.

The IEQA Manual documents the quality assurance system and institutional planning that the institution operates. The manual identifies the institution's planning leadership, committee structure, time frame and how the analysis of data from institutional research relates to short-term and long-term planning and the setting of budget priorities<sup>1</sup>. The IEQA system describes an annual cycle and appropriate phased timetable for all data gathering, assessment, evaluation, and planning activities, listing the assessment tools and analysis methods. The IEQA office remit is maintaining and improving institutional effectiveness and quality.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> CAA 2019 Standard 2.1 and Stipulation 4: Quality Assurance Manual



#### 1. Reference Policies and Related Documentation

The following documents relate to this manual; thus, they should be read in conjunction with this manual:

No.	Document	Description
1	The MBZUAI Policies and Procedures Staff/Student Intranet	Documents that set the rules and guidelines within the university. All MBZUAI approved policies, procedures, and guidelines are available on the Policies and Procedures intranet.
2	The Commission for Academic Accreditation Standards 2019 (CAA – MOE)	Accreditation requirements which the MBZUAI is expected to fulfill under the Ministry of Education, UAE <a href="https://www.caa.ae/Pages/Guidelines/Licensure.aspx">https://www.caa.ae/Pages/Guidelines/Licensure.aspx</a> <a href="https://www.caa.ae/Pages/Guidelines/Standards.aspx">https://www.caa.ae/Pages/Guidelines/Standards.aspx</a>
3	MBZUAI – Catalogue 2023-24 MBZUA – Student Handbook 2023- 24	MBZUAI documents that provides an overview of the university, campus facilities, admission requirements the details of each program, and how the program maps to the National Qualifications Framework, the Program Learning Objectives, program semester plan, and degree requirements, the curriculum, and course descriptions.  https://mbzuai.ac.ae/study/university-catalogue/https://mbzuai.ac.ae/study/campus-facilities/https://mbzuai.ac.ae/wp-content/uploads/PDF/Student_Handbook.pdf
4	Abu Dhabi Department of Education (ADEK) Criteria, Guidelines, and Procedures for Authorization of new and reauthorization of exiting Higher Education Institutions in the Emirate of Abu Dhabi – ADEK and Criteria, Guidelines, ADEK Substantive Change Procedures and Procedures for Authorization of new programs in the Emirate of Abu Dhabi – ADEK	Guidelines for the HEI risk-based review requirements, uScore details as per the timeline requirement, and the required documents to seek new program and substantive change approval.  https://www.adek.gov.ae/en/Education-System/Higher-Education
5.	ADEO – Abu Dhabi Executive Office (ADEO) and Abu Dhabi Performance Management Strategy Planning (ADPM)	The quarterly and annual performance reporting data and process.

No.	Document	Description
6	Central Higher Education Data Store (CHEDS) CHEDS Data Model	Requirements to report data as per the CHEDS semesterly schedule on the official platform. https://cheds.moe.gov.ae/
7.	MBZUAI Strategic Planning Manual MBZUAI Strategic Internal Planning Procedures	Documents the Strategic and annual planning process.  The documents are under the Strategy, Institutional Effectiveness and Quality Assurance Policies and Procedures site on the intranet.
8.	Framework for the Compliance Inspection of Higher Education Institutions 2023	The Inspection Framework describes the process used to inspect Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) in accordance with Federal Law by Decree No. (16) of 2020. It outlines the guidelines for a compliance inspection and includes the 'standards for compliance inspection of higher education institutions (standards). The standards are based on relevant UAE laws, Federal Bylaws, international best practices and MoE regulations. https://www.moe.gov.ae/En/ImportantLinks/Pages/Control-Sector.aspx

#### 2. Governance and Organizational Structure

MBZUAI is a government body in Abu Dhabi, affiliated with the Abu Dhabi Executive Council with a mandate from the Abu Dhabi Executive Office (ADEO) on the leadership, the mission, strategic objectives, and performance of its core academic, research, and Artificial Intelligence (AI) functions. MBZUAI is also tracked against the local and national leadership's mission and objectives regarding research, education, and innovation in AI.

The University has a Board of Trustees (BoT), presided by the board's Chairman and formed through a resolution offered by the Chairman of the Executive Council. The BoT exercises all the powers needed to supervise the management of the university's affairs and achieve its objectives.

Additionally, there are two Board Committees, (the Advisory Committee, and the Audit Committee), established to provide recommendations and advice for the Board or to handle a task on the Board's agenda. All Committees have the power and authority as specified by the Board from time to time. The President establishes the Management Committees to handle the day-to-day management of the University as defined in the Committee Charter or as delegated by the President. All Management Committees must adhere to the MBZUAI Governance Framework and Templates



Please refer to MBZUAI BoT Charter and Bylaws, MBZUAI Governance Framework.

#### 2.1 MBZUAI Vision

Drive excellence in knowledge creation, transfer, and use of AI to foster economic growth and position Abu Dhabi as a hub for the international AI community.

#### 2.2 MBZUAI Mission

Establish and continually evolve interdisciplinary, collaborative research and development capability in the field of AI, while educating students to be innovators and leaders with the breadth and depth to grow technology and enterprise n the UAE and globally.

#### 2.3 MBZUAI Strategic Objectives

As a unique institution, purpose built to lead the world in AI research, MBZUAI seeks to be a paradise for transformative research; a cradle for the best minds in computer science; and a hub for startups and high-tech innovation.



Figure 1: MBZUAI Strategic Objectives



#### 2.4 MBZUAI Strategy 2021- 2025



Figure 2: MBZUAI Strategy 2021-2025

#### 2.5 MBZUAI KPIs

#### THIS IS HOW WE'LL MEASURE SUCCESS

PILLAR	KPI	Unit	Rep ort	2021	2021 Actual	2022	2023	2024
	CSRankings(Globally)*	Ranking	position	Beinglisted	Listed		120	
	<ul> <li>GitHub Repositories/Patents/Copyrightsaunched, Contributed, or Filed</li> </ul>	#	Annual	5	3	15	20	2.5
ACADEMIC &	■ De part ment æstablished	#	Total	3	3	4	6	7
IIII RESEARCH	<ul> <li>Publications intier 1 conference and academic journals</li> </ul>	#	Annual	25	50	75	100	130
EXCELLENCE	<ul> <li>Top Al conference hosted</li> </ul>	#	Annual	0	0	1	1	2
	<ul> <li>Faculty recruit edrom top 100 All institutions</li> </ul>	#	Total	10	13	25	35	40
	<ul> <li>Ph.D.+ level researchers(postdocs, research scientists, engineers)</li> </ul>	#	Annual	10	18	20	40	60
	■ PhD and MSc degree soffered	#	Total	6	6	6	8	10
	<ul> <li>Studentsenrolled from bestin-class undergraduateinstitutions**</li> </ul>	96	Annual	9	9	20	25	30
EDUCATION &	<ul> <li>Professionaland executive training delivered</li> </ul>	#	Annual	4	7	6	10	12
TRAINI NG EXCELENCE	<ul> <li>En rolle dUAE nationalistudents(excl. any special program offered to nationals)</li> </ul>	96	Annual	20	17	20	20	2.0
5000000000	<ul> <li>MBZUAlgraduateem ploymentor further study rate in 6 months ***</li> </ul>	96	Annual		*		80	85
	<ul> <li>Expat stude nt sretained in UAE 1 year after graduation</li> </ul>	96	Annual				2	30
	Majoraca demic part nershipsesta bi ishe d	#	Total	2	2	2	3	4
CATALYZATION	<ul> <li>Majorindustry agreementses tablished</li> </ul>	#	Annual	2	2	3	4	6
THE RESIDENCE OF THE PARTY OF	<ul> <li>Majorinitiatives with government all entities</li> </ul>	#.	Annual	- 4	4	6	7	8
	<ul> <li>Industry based funding for research within the year (additional new fundings)</li> </ul>	AED m m	Annual	0	12	15	25	35
	<ul> <li>Start upsincubated by MBZUAI faculty and students</li> </ul>	#	Annual	1	0	2	4	8
- Income and a second content of	Globaltoptier op-ed, features or interviews	#	Annual	3	3	8	14	23
MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS	<ul> <li>Contributionto leads and student applications (website and social media)</li> </ul>	96	Annual	20	40	40	45	50
	<ul> <li>Number of earned media mentions</li> </ul>	#	Annual	2,500	4,600	4,500	4,725	5,00

Figure 3: MBZUAI KPIs 2021-2025 (for more information refer to the MBZUAI Strategic Planning Manual)



#### 2.6 Mission, Vision, Strategy Periodic Review Process

The BoT approves the MBZUAI Mission, Vision, and Strategy. These are reviewed every five years with continuous improvement based on regular annual assessments and evaluations. However, due to the dynamic factors of external change and AI, a review may be required earlier. The core statements are reviewed annually and can be modified with the approval of the BoT based on recommendations from the President.

The annual strategic planning exercise is initiated by the Strategy and Future Team and requires input from all department leads and guidance from the Senior Management Team. The annual strategic plan follows the same strategic framework as the five-year development plan (hence they must align logically. It encourages the business owners to develop an objective for their respective departments as well as setting up a vision for the upcoming year. The annual strategic plans contribute to the annual budget plan and the strategic planning for the Department of Finance (DoF) and ADEO. Once the draft is finalized and approved by the President, it is submitted to the BoT for its approval.

Afterwards, the business owners provide a high-level implementation plan by listing out the strategic projects and priority initiatives with targets, broad timeline, high-level budget information, and owners.

Only the institutional KPI outcomes are presented to the Board of Trustees during the quarterly Board of Trustees meeting.

Item	Who initiates	When
5-year Plan	President	Every five (5) years
Institutional KPI	Senior Management Team	Based on business need
Institutional KPI targets	Senior Management Team	Based on business need before the reporting year
Strategic plan	Strategy Team with input from department heads	May/June every year
Annual Departmental KPI targets	Department heads and IEQA	Quarter four (4) of each year
Operational plan	Strategy and IEQA	Quarter four (4) of each year

Each June/July ADEO meets with the MBZUAI Strategy and IEQA team to initiate and prepare the annual strategic plan for the following year, including establishing the KPIs, and overview of the



projects (with milestones and budgets). The ADEO Annual Strategic plan is driven by MBZUAI's annual strategic plan. The ADEO Annual Strategic plan is approved by MBZUAI President and submitted to ADEO. This plan is uploaded by IEQA into the ADEO Abu Dhabi Performance Management (ADPM) system. The strategic planning module houses the objectives, KPIs and Projects for each Abu Dhabi entity. IEQA is responsible for collecting the quarterly outcome data from each department at the end of each quarter.

The data collected is reporting on the specific quarter and includes the following areas:

- Key Achievements.
- Key Challenges.
- The action with Action Status with justification/narrative.
- Evidence to support the action.

This data is audited by ADEO every quarter and any queries are to be acted upon by IEQA prior to the final outcomes being reported to the ADEO Board.

#### 2.7 Department Operational Planning

The Strategy and IEQA team and the department leads reference the MBZUAI vision and strategy document and ascertain which of those pertain to the department. Using that as a basis they develop department objectives which are a sub-category of the institutional objectives. The business owners develop the desired outcomes for each objective for the upcoming year, using the Department Plan Template (Figure 4) to document the details.

# Department Department Department Department SubDepartment SubDepartment L2 Department Lead Project Type (Strategic of Operational) Timeline (Strategic of Operational)

Figure 4: MBZUAI Department Plan Template

Based on the departmental objectives, the departments develop a list of intended outcomes they want to achieve. The intended outcomes are translated to KPIs to measure the achievement of objectives with clear milestones, budget allocation and timeline depending on the applicability. The Strategy and IEQA team ensure the departments are aligned with the university's vision and objective and then provides strategic guidelines for developing the annual plan. The purpose of the Department Planning exercise is to develop a comprehensive list of projects and activities that



departments plan to deliver in the upcoming year, aligned with their objectives and which will contribute to meeting their annual goals.

#### **Department Operational Plan (Yearly) Process**

- 1. Strategy & IEQA conduct awareness sessions to explain the process and the template September to October.
- The Department develops the departmental Plan with the Actions, KPIs, Action completion timeline, activities milestones., assigns responsibility and details budget or resources required - October to November.
- 3. Strategy & IEQA review the plan and meet with the department to discuss feedback October to November.
- 4. Department finalizes the Department Operational plan November.
- 5. The plan is verified and validated by Strategy & IEQA December.
- 6. The Department plans are reviewed by the President and approved December.

Once the annual operations plans have been approved the IEQA team monitors the process. Each quarter they collect the data from the departments on how they are progressing with relation to their annual plans. Part of the process is for the department to provide evidence and narrative of their achievement, and challenges, as well as any recommendations that may be required to support the success of the plans. The progress of operational projects is reported during the quarterly review. The required action will be taken if the data collected indicates a trend towards not achieving the agreed target. At the end of each calendar year, the IEQA Team collects the end-of-year results and rates each KPI according to three categories:

- "On Target".
- "Needs Attention" (10% deviation from the target).
- "Off target" (more than 10% away from the target).

#### **Department Quarterly Reporting Timeline**

Quarter	Start Date	End Date	Department Reporting deadlines
Q1	01-01-2024	31-3-2024	Reminder: first working day after end of Quarter  Deadline: first Friday after end of Quarter
Q2	01-04-2024	30-6-2024	Reminder: first working day after end of Quarter  Deadline: first Friday after end of Quarter
Q3	01-07-2024	30-9-2024	Reminder: first working day after end of Quarter  Deadline: first Friday after end of Quarter



Q4	01-10-2024	31-12-2014	Reminder: first working day after end of Quarter
			Deadline: first Friday after end of Quarter

#### 2.8 Department Self-Evaluation and Improvement action plans

MBZUAI has made a significant commitment to measuring and reporting system-wide performance by adopting a comprehensive institutional performance management framework comprising the Vision, Mission, Strategic Objectives, and related KPIs. This framework directly supports the four (4) pillars of Training and Research Excellence, Education and Training Excellence, Ecosystem Catalyzation, and Marketing and Communications.

Strategy and IEQA support departments in developing their strategic objectives, operational plans and KPIs. IEQA collects the reporting data and compliance results and works with the department leads in developing, implementing, and monitoring their actions towards achieving the targets.

Strategy & IEQA work with all departments to ensure they complete standardized documentation for their 2024 Department Annual plans, self-evaluation, and improvement action plans.

The following are the critical components of the assessment of MBZUAI non-academic support departments, according to the non-academic quality assurance framework outlined in Figure 5:

- Development of the department's strategic objectives, projects, and key performance indicators.
- Mapping the department's strategic objectives and key performance indicators to the MBZUAI Strategic Objectives.
- Self-evaluation and improvement action Plans.
- Selecting and designing instruments for performance measurement (direct and indirect).
- Setting the targets.
- Data analysis and compliance of assessment results.
- Distribution of the assessment results.
- Reviewing the assessment results, further developing improvement actions.
- Setting a plan for implementing improvement actions.
- Monitoring the implementation of the actions.



Figure 5 illustrates the non-academic quality framework process:

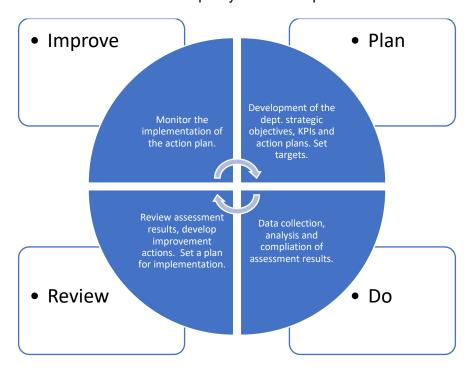


Figure 5: Non-Academic Quality Assurance Framework

Each objective may have several Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) or Performance Indicators (PIs). The KPIs are mapped to Department annual objectives. The baseline is based on the data available for the last year, and appropriate targets for KPIs are set for the following year.

In consultation with Strategy and IEQA, each department will determine appropriate assessment measures, as in:

- **Indirect measures:** Assesses the level of satisfaction from those they assist (instruments used are feedback surveys)
- Direct measures: Measures of performance indicators and achievement of Project and KPIs (specific evidence that indicates the attainment).

#### MBZUAI Self-Evaluation and Improvement action plan Process

- 1. IEQA conduct awareness sessions to explain the process and the template September to October.
- 2. The Department completes the Self-Evaluation and Improvement Action plan template October to November.

- 3. IEQA reviews the department's document and meets with the department to discuss feedback (if required) October to November.
- 4. Department finalizes the Self-Evaluation and Improvement Action Plan November.
- 5. The plans are verified and combined into one document that is submitted to the Strategy and Budget committee to review and ascertain any resource implications. December.
- 6. The MBZUAI Self-Evaluation and Improvement action plans are reviewed by the President and approved December.
- 7. All Improvement Action plans will be monitored by IEQA with the quarterly operational reporting, adjustments are made as required.

All MBZUAI departments complete their Self-Evaluation Report which defines their achievements, challenges, and issues and lists five areas requiring improvement within their department. Additionally, the following working groups are required to complete a Self-Evaluation Report with improvement action plans:

- 1. Employer Advisory Committee
- 2. Student Support Services
- 3. Academic Advising
- 4. Learning Resource Centre
- 5. Contractual Relationships
- 6. Social Responsibility & Engagement Activities
- 7. Learning Management System & IT Services

The cycle commences annually every October with the approval for the following year's plans to be completed by 15 December.

#### 2.9 Annual Personal Performance Management

The goal of performance management is to promote and improve employee effectiveness. It is a continuous process where direct reports and managers work together to plan, monitor, and review an employee's work objectives or goals and their overall contribution to the MBZUAI. Because faculty and non-faculty staff roles differ, each employee category has developed separate evaluation systems. Individual objectives and action plans are informed by the department goals and KPIs. All non-academic employees agree on their objectives and actions with their line manager in January. A mid-year review is undertaken in June and a final review in December. Ad hoc meetings will be held throughout the year to review progress and adjust action plans as required.

An MBZUAI Annual Report is produced at the end of each fiscal year, (as the government reporting and financial reporting is based on a fiscal year). For the current cycle the report will be published at the end of 2024.

The MBZUAI BoT has ultimate responsibility for the university, its policies organization, finance, and governance. The BoT appoints the President and delegates all operating responsibilities for the university to the President. The BoT provides ongoing counsel to the President, sets strategic direction, and approves budgets and specific policies. The President, in collaboration with the BoT and members of the university community, appoints the senior administration, including the Provost who oversees the educational mission of the university and the academics.

For further detailed information please refer to the Delegation of Authority Policy, 2022, MBZUAI Strategic Planning Manual, Strategic Internal Planning Process, and the Institutional Effectiveness & Quality Assurance Policies.

#### 2.10 IEQA Organizational Structure

The Director of Strategy and IEQA reports directly to the President and is responsible for ensuring that the strategy, institutional effectiveness, and quality assurance activities are planned, executed, and evaluated to enhance the quality of programs and services provided by the university. Figure 5 illustrates the location of IEQA within MBZUAI.

The Head of IEQA reports to the Director of Strategy and IEQA. The office of IEQA is supported by an Institutional Effectiveness Specialist, a Business Intelligence Specialist, and a Quality Assurance Specialist, all of whom have expertise in Institutional Effectiveness and Quality Assurance. Fiscal resources are provided in sufficient measure to support the organizational function of Institutional Effectiveness and Quality Assurance. The Head of Strategy and Special Projects also reports to the Director of Strategy and IEQA with a team of specialists. Figure 5 displays the senior management team organizational structure. Figure 6 displays the position and team of Institutional Effectiveness and Quality Assurance and Strategy in the organization.

#### **MBZUAI Senior Management Team**

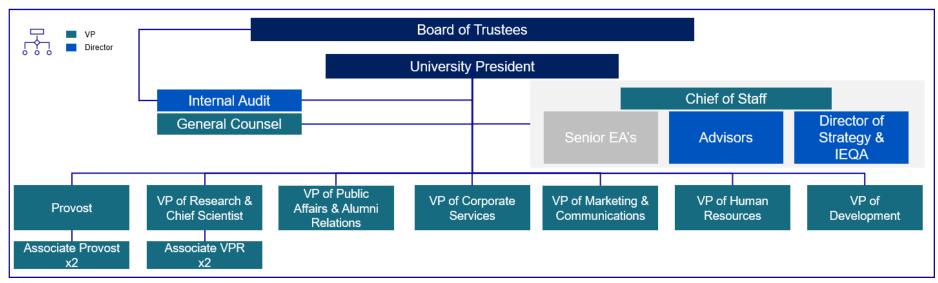


Figure 5: Organizational Structure MBZUAI Senior Management Team (currently in the approval process with relevant government entities)



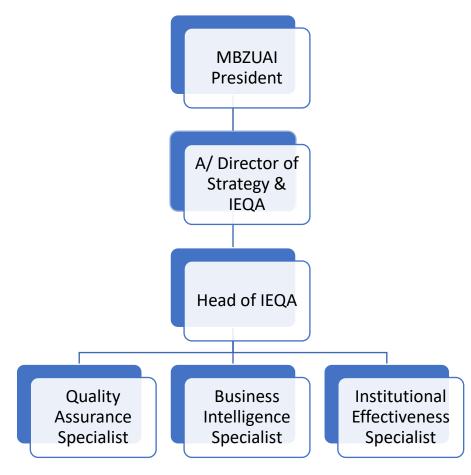


Figure 6: Organizational Structure – IEQA (currently in the approval process with relevant government entities)

#### 3. IEQA Departmental Role

#### 3.1 MBZUAI's Institutional Effectiveness Model

IEQA plays a vital role in providing relevant, pertinent information for the development and assessment of operational plans across all departments at the university. The Institutional Effectiveness Model displayed in Figure 7 guides the university evaluation and improvement actions toward continuous improvement.

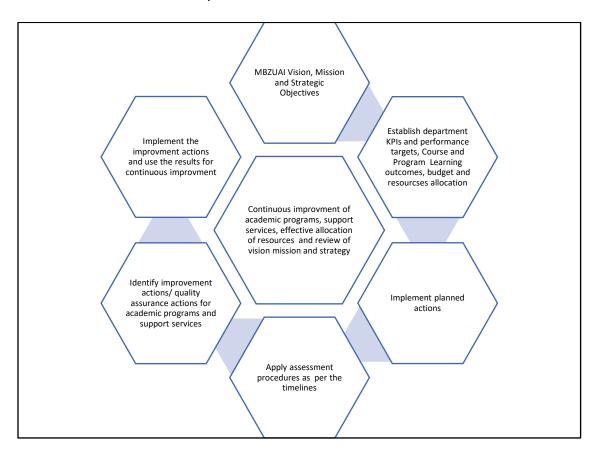


Figure 7: MBZUAI's Institutional Effectiveness Model

MBZUAI adapts a continuous Plan-Do-Review-Improve cycle, as below:

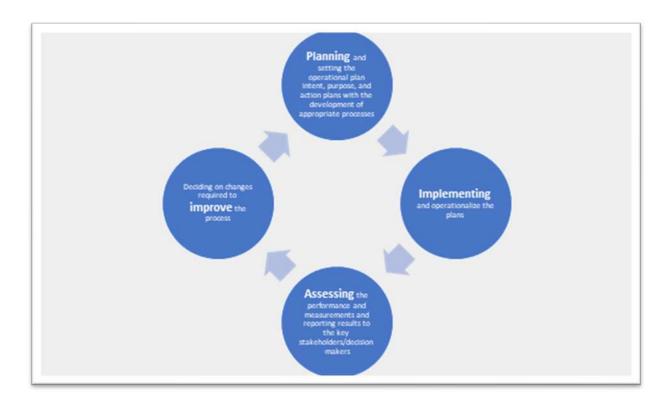


Figure 8: MBZUAI's Plan-do-Review-Improve Cycle

MBZUAI encourages a culture of critical reflection so that strengths and weaknesses may be identified and addressed. MBZUAI uses evidence-based practice and utilizes data to evaluate decision-making and strategy. Each quarter the department leaders report on their achievements and how they relate to their objectives and KPIs with details on their achievements, the challenges, any associated risks and make recommendations towards improvements. This data is reported to ADEO each quarter on the Abu Dhabi Performance Management (ADPM) system. MBZUAI is assessed by ADEO on its performance in relation to the annual strategic plan, KPI achievement and project achievement against the plans.

MBZUAI demonstrates its commitment to continuous improvement through its planning and performance cycle, which includes measuring its performance on a range of key indicators across all MBZUAI departments. This process is currently being improved upon by using standardized templates and the process discussed in the Strategic Planning Manuel. Additionally, there is a clear cycle of periodic reviews for academic departments, policies, and courses monitoring, reviewing, and evaluating the effectiveness of all aspects of its operations and programs.

The Policy review process is discussed in Section 3.6.1 (MBZUAI Policy Approval and Review Process). The course and program monitoring and review cycle is detailed in Section 7 of this manual – (Table 1 – MBZUAI Schedule and Responsibility for Course and Program Review, reporting, and improvements).

Assessment tools are categorized into:

- Quantitative assessment tools: Quantitative assessment involves looking at the results relating to the institutional department's accomplishments or the ability of the target audience to receive the desired outcome once provided with the department's services. These include recruiting results, graduation and retention rates, number of staff/faculty trained, count of program participants... etc.
- 2. **Qualitative assessment tools**: Qualitative assessment tools involve looking at target audience perceptions relative to the outcome achieved. These include surveys, exit interviews, focus groups, and any equivalent assessment, with the purpose of:
  - 2.1 undertaking a range of student and stakeholder surveys to improve the quality of teaching, learning, student experience, and staff wellbeing and satisfaction.
  - 2.2 undertaking a range of internal and external audits and reviews focused on productivity and student and staff satisfaction.

During the quarterly reporting process all departments are required to conduct a self-study using the MBZUAI templates on their unit and produce improvement action plans. Data is collected throughout the academic and fiscal operating years at the required reporting periods. Academic data is reported and finalized at the end of the academic year whereas Support Department data is reported and finalized at the end of the fiscal year.

The IEQA team assesses and evaluates the level of achievement against the targets and identifies any required gaps, corrective action, or potential continuous improvements. This information is reported to the President's and Provost's twice a year and on approval then disseminates the data to the department leads for implementation. The previous year's progress is evaluated, and further recommendations made if required.

The data is summarized in the Annual Continuous Quality Enhancement Report. The elements used in the analysis are aligned with the regulator's requirements (MoE, CAA, CHEDS, ADEK and ADEO):

- Analysis of program alignment to MBZUAI Mission, Vision, Strategic objectives, and The UAE AI Strategy.
- MBZUAI Annual Critical Self-Evaluation with analysis of the effectiveness of all departments.
- All departments quarterly reporting against MBZUAI KPIs and ADEO Reporting.
- Institutional Risk Evaluation using CAA Form 1 2020.
- Analysis of all Program Reports.
- Analysis of Survey results and Institutional Research and improvements made based on the data.
- Review of the Academic integrity Framework and action.

Program Department Chairs complete an Annual Program Report covering the following elements:

- Previous academic year's program continuous improvement.
- General comments and recommendations relating to course review analysis for the current academic year.
- A summary of all course changes by program.
- PLO Assessment analysis.
- Analysis of the institutional research data (course pass rate, enrolment, progression, enrolment, satisfaction levels, KPI achievement).
- Analysis of the effectiveness of the resources for the program.
- Analysis of the physical and technical facilities.
- Analysis of the teaching and learning resources.
- Analysis of the external stakeholder feedback.
- The following academic year action plan.

Every December the MBZUAI Survey Administration Calendar is reviewed and updated in consultation with the stakeholders. The full calendar is available in Section 6 (*Survey Calendar*), with the currently approved Survey Templates in Appendix A of this manual. The surveys planned for this year are as follows:

- End of semester Course, Graduate Assistant, Teaching Assistant and Faculty Evaluation.
- Employee of the Month (each month).
- Student Motivation and Perceptions and Onboarding experience.
- Prospective Employers and Student surveys for the planned new programs.
- Student Progress Evaluation (360) each semester.
- Graduate Exit.
- Employer /Industry Satisfaction with Interns (administered by the Careers and Internships team).
- Graduate Employer/Employee Satisfaction (administered by the Careers and Internships team).
- Management Committee Evaluation
- Staff Engagement and Internal Communication
- Staff Satisfaction (administered by Abu Dhabi Department of Government Enablement in 2024).
- Faculty onboarding (administer by Faculty Affairs).
- Student and Staff onboarding.

IEQA develops a report for each of these surveys with detailed analysis and recommended action plans. Three months after this report has been distributed IEQA requests an update on actions taken which are then reported to the relevant stakeholders.

Please refer to Strategic Planning Manual, Strategic Internal Planning Process, Quarterly Review meeting Reports, Annual Program Report, IEQA Annual Report, MBZUAI 2023-24 Survey Administration Calendar.

#### 3.2 IEQA Department Responsibilities

The office of the Institutional Effectiveness and Quality Assurance (IEQA) provides support to the Mohammed bin Zayed University of Artificial Intelligence (MBZUAI) community towards the achievement of the MBZUAI mission. The IEQA contributes significantly to the implementation of MBZUAI strategic objectives in different areas such as planning, teaching/learning, research, institutional and program accreditation, and services. The IEQA is responsible for setting and monitoring quality standards that lead to local and international accreditation as well as community satisfaction. It also seeks to provide accurate, timely, and reliable information to all offices of MBZUAI enabling them to design, develop, and implement strategies and techniques to improve the effectiveness of all departments.

IEQA main responsibilities are classified into six categories:

#### 1. Academic Programs Accreditation & Compliance

The IEQA coordinates and manages the (national and international) accreditation processes of all academic programs.

#### 2. Academic, Administration/Support Outcomes Assessment

The IEQA monitors and coordinates the university-wide Academic Programs and Administrative/Support department outcomes. It evaluates and assesses the MBZUAI adherence to the regulator's standards and requirements. Where gaps are found, IEQA works with the department to incorporate improvements to ensure adherence and continuous improvement.

## 3. Department Self-evaluation, Quality Assurance, and improvement of the Institutional Effectiveness

The IEQA assesses appropriate measurements are in place for the MBZUAI programs and departments by working with them to complete annual self-evaluation plans with improvement action plans which are aligned to their operational plans and their KPIs. IEQA monitors the actions on a quarterly basis and recommends improvements as required. IEQA incorporates the Plan-Do-Review-Improve cycle towards continuous improvement. Improvement to programs and support systems are routinely monitored and evaluated for effectiveness.

#### 4. Institutional data and Surveys

IEQA submits all required data to the Centre for Higher Education Data and Statistics (CHEDS) to the Ministry of Education (MoE), Abu Dhabi Department of Education and Knowledge (ADEK), the UAE Commission for Academic Accreditation (CAA), the relevant accreditation agencies and all documents requested to the Abu Dhabi Executive Office (ADEO) including but not limited to the Strategic plan, operational plans, KPIs and project data. IEQA manages all internal surveys, provides summary reports with analysis and recommended action plans based on the data collected. IEQA records the action taken and reports to the stakeholders.

#### 5. Reports and publications

The IEQA office prepares and manages the annual updates of the IEQA Manual, MBZUAI Fact book, The Continuous Quality Enhancement Report, the MBZUAI Institutional Self-Study and Improvement action plans, MBZUAI Surveys Calendar and reports associated to the surveys and other reports. IEQA is responsible for managing, developing, and revising the updates of the MBZUAI Policies and Procedures.

#### 6. Records Management

IEQA records management (RM) encompasses the documentation created, received, and maintained as evidence and information by all administrative offices of MBZUAI (including contractors and external service providers), in pursuance of legal obligations or in the transaction of business. These can include such records as meeting agendas and minutes, departmental records, course accreditations and university publications e.g. The Fact book, records of student and alumni organizations etc. IEQA archives will absorb those records deemed valuable to the public and not containing personally identifiable information (PII). IEQA RM is responsible for:

- Fulfilling the mandate for the University records in line with the MBZUAI Vision and strategy
- Facilitating University administrative compliance with all applicable UAE laws and government requirements, including, but not limited to, MoE and ADEO documentation and retention periods.
- Building a body of documentation to create a researchable institution.

In MBZUAI, The IEQA department acts as the governing body and the custodian of quality improvement efforts within the university. IEQA aims to facilitate the planning, execution, and monitoring of all quality assurance efforts across the institution. As such, the department coordinates with all institutional departments to:

- promote quality assurance in all the services offered by MBZUAI.
- guide the quality improvement plans.
- lead, monitor, and report on quality Improvement across the institution.

#### 3.3 IEQA Government Reporting

#### 3.3.1 Abu Dhabi Executive Office (ADEO)

IEQA adheres to and reports all quarterly and annual objectives, projects and KPI performance data set requirements. IEQA reports the details for MBZUAI concerning the Annual Strategic Plan, KPI attainment, special project progression and the required analysis and evidence to the Abu Dhabi Performance Management (ADPM) System. Annually, in June IEQA inputs the MBZUAI Annual Plan into the ADPM system, for the following year. Afterwards, all quarterly reports are submitted with the required evidence.

#### 3.3.2 Abu Dhabi Department of Education and Knowledge (ADEK)

ADEK has advised all Abu Dhabi based universities are required to report on Risk-based review requirements and data in their uScore program system. Annually at the end of February, MBZUAI must report on the performance indicators ADEK has requested. The Academic data is based on the previous academic year and the financial data is based on the previous fiscal year.

#### 3.3.3 Central Higher Education Data Store (CHEDS)

As per the CHEDS Data Model, IEQA provides all data for the reports aligned with the MoE timeline and requirements. Datasets are categorized into semesterly submissions (typically November/December for the Fall semester and April/May for the Sprong Semester), or annually (only during the Spring submission). The distinction is mandated by the Academic Planning department in the MoE, although students and employees-related data are required on a semester basis, while institutional-wide data are required annually.

#### 3.4 Institutional Research

As an aid to strategic and operational decision-making processes, IEQA provides an institutional research function to meet the university's assessment cycle. The activities include providing analytical and technical support in planning and operational decision-making, producing the University Factbook, providing required data to the relevant government departments, creating the central database of student enrolment, academic performance, retention, attrition, and graduation rates, and contributing to the MBZUAI Annual Report. IEQA benchmarks its quality and performance against the best local and international practices. Additionally, it provides the institutional data required by accreditors, conducts stakeholder satisfaction surveys, and analyses the results to support planning and institutional effectiveness. IEQA ensures timely, accurate, and easily accessible information for MBZUAI.

IEQA conducts relevant surveys in regular time intervals as part of the continuous university improvement plan and cycle. Feedback is collected from both internal and external stakeholders and all data is maintained, duly analyzed, and reported accurately to facilitate planning, policy development, and relevant decision-making at MBZUAI. All stakeholders are involved in developing and reviewing the institution's surveys and updating the questionnaires if required.

Please refer to the MBZUAI survey calendar in section 6 of this manual and the survey templates in Appendix A for further information.

#### 3.5 Institutional and Program Accreditation

IEQA serves as a bridge between academic and institutional quality assurance activities and works with all stakeholders in the institution to develop self-study reports for institutional licensure and quality review of all program accreditation applications.

As part of the MBZUAI quality assurance and continuous improvement process, IEQA evaluates, on an annual basis, each academic program and the support offices' service compliance with accreditation requirements. The criteria used are based on best practices and consultation with different stakeholders. Standardized accreditation requirements are identified and shared. Ongoing support is provided with examples of supporting documents as evidence. Annually, each program conducts a self-evaluation, and the outcomes are reported to the IEQA. In the Annual Program Report, actions for improvement are documented and IEQA monitors those improvement plans on a quarterly basis.

IEQA is responsible for advising ADEK or CAA of any substantive changes at Institutional Level. Requirements specified by ADEK regarding MBZUAI plans to make substantive changes are defined as follows:

- Location ADEK approval is location specific and if MBZUAI plans to move their operations to another area, zone, or geographic location they require further approval from ADEK.
- **New Partnerships** Any new institutional partner must undergo the procedure outlined in the ADEK guidelines and obtain a No Objection Certificate (NOC) before the institution, the partner, or their joint entity commences any activity in the Emirate of Abu Dhabi.
- **New Programs** All new programs require a NOC from ADEK before delivery can commence. ADEK encourages the growth of institutional capacity if the growth is strategically aligned with the needs of the Emirate of Abu Dhabi.
- Changing Nomenclature of Category ADEK approval is required if MBZUAI seeks to change the name, mission, or operate with a different purpose for which it was originally approved.

CAA specifies that MBZUAI must inform CAA of any planned or actual changes listed below:

- Change the legal status or form of control of the institution, including a change in ownership or a merger with another institution.
- Significantly alters the mission or goals of an institution.
- **Relocate** the primary campus or establish instruction at a new location such as a branch or additional campus.
- Close one of the institution's locations.
- Close one or more of the institution's programs.
- Make significant changes in the **organizational structure**, such as separating one unit or institution into two or joining two separate units.
- Establish a **contractual relationship** with **another organization** to provide teaching and learning services.
- Offer non-credit courses or other activities that affect the mission or alter faculty or professional staff workload.

Refer to 2019 CAA standards and 2016 ADEK guidelines and Annual program reports.

#### 3.6 MoE Compliance Framework

IEQA is responsible for ensuring compliance with the MoE HEI Inspection framework which is based on the UAE Laws and degrees, International Best Practice, World Rankings Indicators and the CAA Standards for Institutional Licensure and Program Accreditation. The HE Compliance team has three types of compliance inspections:

	Full Compliance	Progress Review	Purpose-oriented
	Inspection	Inspection	Inspection
Standards	Standard 1 to 13	Related to Corrective Action Plan	Inquiry-driven/ Theme- related
Compliance Indicators (CI)	CI 1 to 20	Related to Corrective Action Plans	Inquiry-driven / Theme- related
Inspection Duration	4 to 5 Inspection days	2 to 3 Inspection days	1 to 2 Inspection days.

#### **Full Compliance Inspection (FCI)**

FCI covers 13 standards, which are discussed in the framework. The framework consists of standards and compliance indicators. FCI is based on gathering and analysis of HEIs institutional documents, previous inspection reports, publicly available data, staff, faculty, and student interviews, to measure the degree to which the HEI is compliant with the HEI inspection framework. The overall outcome of the FCI will result in a *compliant*, *partially complaint* or a *non-compliant* judgment for the HEI.

#### **Progress Review Inspection (PRI)**

*PRI* measures progress with the HEI's Corrective Action Plan (CAP). PRI focuses only on metrics judged partially complaint, and/or non-compliant at the previous inspection. However, further inquiries may arise during the inspection process.

#### **Purpose-oriented Inspection (POI)**

*POI* may arise from the need for classification by the MOE or lines of inquiry resulting from information received from other stakeholders. POI are unannounced and the lines of inquiry are confidential until after the inspection.

#### **Change of HEI Circumstances**

The MoE reserves the right to make an unscheduled inspection if there are changes to the HEI operations or circumstances highlighted by key stakeholders. Changes of circumstance may include, but are not limited to:

- Senior Leadership.
- Financial Status.

- Declining Student completion Rates.
- Student Numbers.
- Change in the Mode of Delivery.
- Whistle blowers.
- High levels of complaints.
- Concerns relating to quality and/or Assessment Standards.

To ensure compliance IEQA will audit four standards each year and will ascertain any partial or non-compliant areas and develop improvement action plans as required.

#### **HEI Compliance Framework IEQA Audit Plan**

Standards to be audited during 2024	Standards to be audited during 2025	Standards to be audited during 2026
Standard 4 - Curriculum	Standard 1 – Policies &	Standard 2 – Strategic
Management	Procedures	Leadership
Standard 9 – Infrastructure	Standard 8 – Student	Standard 3 – Continuous
Services	Provision	Quality Enhancement
Standard 6 – Human	Standard 13 – Occupational	Standard 7 - Admissions
Resources	Environment, Health, and Safety	
Standard 11 – Regulatory	Standard 5 – Research and	Standard 10 – Financial
Disclosure	Innovation	Management
		Standard 12- Social
		Responsibility and
		Engagement

#### 3.7 Quality Assurance

The IEQA department has an annual cycle with a phased timetable for data gathering, assessment, evaluation and planned activities with assessment tools and methods of analysis. The manual that complies with all CAA requirements regarding the Quality Assurance components listed in Standards for Licensure and Accreditation (2019) – Standard 2.1, Stipulation 4 – Quality Assurance Manual Requirements, and Annex 8: Quality Assurance Manual. The manual specifies the role of IEQA in survey, operational planning and preparing annual reports, it discusses the role of working with the program and operational units in conducting self-studies and evaluating their performance with relation to the improvement actions plans, KPI attainment and operational plans.

To ensure compliance with CAA standards, stipulations and annex a three-year audit cycle is developed in specific areas to evaluate the need for process improvement or improvement action plans. This audit cycle is updated every three years.

#### **CAA Compliance Audit Schedule**

Stipulation/Annex to be audited during 2024	Stipulation/Annex to be audited during 2025	Stipulation/Annex to be audited during 2026
CAA Annex 16: Course Files	CAA Annex 16: Course Files	CAA Annex 16: Course Files
(December)	(December)	(December)
CAA Annex 22: Website (June-	CAA Annex 22: Website (June -	CAA Annex 22: Website (June -
July)	July)	July)
CAA Annex 4: Catalog (Jun-July)	CAA Annex 4: Catalog (Jun-July)	CAA Annex 4: Catalog (Jun-July)
CAA Annex 7: Student Handbook	CAA Annex 7: Student Handbook	CAA Annex 7: Student Handbook
(July)	(July)	(July)
CAA Annex 3: Policies and	CAA Annex 3: Policies and	CAA Annex 3: Policies and
Procedures Manual (March)	Procedures Manual (March)	Procedures Manual (March)
Stipulation 1: Governance and	Stipulation 4: Research and	Stipulation 6: Students
Management	Scholarly Activities	
Stipulation 11: Community	Stipulation 8: Learning Resource	Stipulation 10: Legal Compliance
Engagement	Centre	and Public Disclosure
Stipulation 2: Quality Assurance	Stipulation 5: Faculty and Professional Staff	Stipulation 3: Educational Programs

#### 3.8 MBZUAI Policy and Procedure development and review

IEQA oversees institutional policies and procedure development and measures the effectiveness of these documents. All policies and procedures are reviewed every two years. Sometimes, the evaluation may be required earlier if there is a legislative or regulatory requirement for a specific change from external stakeholders.

All policies follow the <u>Policy and Procedure Guidelines and Framework and use the Policy or procedure templates developed by IEQA</u>. These guidelines have been designed to contribute positively to the development process of policies and ensure full consultation across the institution. All current relevant approved policies and procedures are available on the MBZUAI Staff and Student intranets.

An annual policy compliance check is the responsibility of the policy owner. Compliance will be assessed against criteria including, but not limited to, alignment with any relevant legislation, currency, relevance, conformance with the policy framework, alignment with other university policy instruments, etc.

IEQA measures the effectiveness of policies and procedures by:

- Conducting quality reviews checks across offices, functions, and their respective activities, policies, procedures, and processes.
- Leading follow-up quality checks and overseeing proper implementation of corrective actions in a timely and efficient manner.
- Acting on Internal Audit findings and recommendations.
- Providing the necessary training as required based on the quality reviews or supporting policy and procedure development.

The Institutional Effectiveness Specialist conducts awareness sessions and has scheduled meetings with each department throughout the year to continue to review, develop and ascertain any documents that may be required to improve the productivity of the department and the institution.

#### Policy and Procedures Awareness Sessions and Department Meetings Schedule

	Policy and Procedure Awareness Session	Department Policy and Procedure review Meeting
Q1	Orientation for all new staff (Faculty and	Legal, Public Affairs and Alumni Relations, Human
	Professional Staff) - January	Resources
Q2		Corporate Services, Admissions & Registrar, Educational Affairs
Q3	Orientation for all new staff (Faculty and	Research, Academic Administration, Strategy & IEQA,
	Professional Staff) - August	Marketing & Communications
Q4		Academic Affairs & Program Departments, Executive
		Programs, Special Projects

All policies are reviewed every two years. Annually in January a plan is developed for the following thirteen months detailing which policies are due for review during that period. All policy owners are advised of this schedule of the policy review and are asked to submit any changes if required by the due review date. Additionally, the review date is on all policies. Although a policy can be reviewed and updated earlier if required.

IEQA produces a monthly report on the status of the policies, procedures, and guidelines to the Director of Strategy & IEQA. An email detailing new approved policies and procedures is sent each month to all staff with the hyperlink to the newly approved/updated document.

#### 3.8.1 MBZUAI Policy Approval Process

IEQA coordinates the policy approval process and ensures version control and access to the relevant stakeholders. IEQA ensures the President is kept informed on the status of all policies and follows up on any queries, following the Delegation of Authority (DoA) for the policy approval workflow. The various stakeholders involved in the policy approval process are as follows:

1. **Policy Owner**: Is the subject matter expert concerning the policy document content and is responsible for developing, reviewing, interpreting, and implementing the policy document. They monitor the policy for effectiveness and compliance.

- 2. **Head of IEQA**: reviews policy and provides feedback if required.
- 3. **Legal team**: Provides formal advice on the legal aspects within the policy document and ensures compliance with the relevant legislative requirements and mandates.
- 4. **Management Committees:** Where required specific committees have responsibility for reviewing policies before submission to the President. The President may call an ad-hoc or standing committee if required.
- 5. **Provost:** Endorses the academic policies before final approval by the President.
- 6. **Director of Strategy & IEQA:** Reviews all policies before they are submitted to the President.
- 7. **President**: Is delegated the "Approver" responsibility by the BoT for all policies except Financial, Procurement, and HR policies.
- 8. **The Abu Dhabi Executive Office:** Is responsible for approving all Financial, Procurement, and HR policies.

Please refer to the Policy Framework and procedure guidelines for the process map and further details on the policy approval process. Please refer to the Delegation of Authority for the policy approver details. <u>Access to all MBZUAI Policy and Procedures is available on the MBZUAI Intranet.</u>

#### 3.9 Benchmarking

When conducting institutional benchmarking, MBZUAI uses data whose dimensions center on:

- Courses and Students,
- Staff and Administration services,
- Funding and Finance,
- Curricula and Academic Services,
- Research and Publications,
- Promotion, and Marketing,
- Non-Academic Services, (Campus, Community life and engagement).

This benchmarking approach goes beyond metrics to focus on policy and practice. MBZUAI does cross-country comparison and peer learning to support the developmental areas of performance measurement and management to inform policy design, implementation, and evaluation.

MBZUAI uses the Computer Science (CS) ranking<sup>2</sup> as a reference point to ensure we are benchmarking with the global best AI universities. The institution benchmarks its quality and performance against the best local and international practices wherever possible. The benchmarking research is used to improve programs and services and is part of continuous quality improvement. Once implemented the improvements are monitored and evaluated.

When conducting program benchmarking, MBZUAI assesses the academic programs against equivalent HEIs (typically one national and two international peers per program), to measure our

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Homepage: https://csrankings.org/

programs' effectiveness, quality, strategies, and courses. MBZUAI uses publicly available data from the websites of the selected institutions. The main elements used are as follows:

- Program Structure.
- Program Goals.
- Program Learning Outcomes.
- Assessment.
- Admission.
- Work Placement.
- Graduation Project/Thesis.
- Support Services.
- · Research.

The main findings are summarized and MBZUAI uses this data towards continuous improvement and self-study reports.

Please refer to the Feasibility studies report and the Annual Program Benchmarking Reports.

#### 4. External Reviews

External reviews are a significant element of the MBZUAI quality assurance framework. MBZUAI undergoes several external reviews towards improving its quality at both the institutional and program level. A range of processes occurs at the institutional level, self-evaluating and complying with certification, statutory and regulatory bodies. MBZUAI has used the regulatory requirements and assessments to build our improvement strategies. MBZUAI periodically uses external consultancy companies to conduct a scrupulous, systematic review of IEQA and advise us on further improvements. This will become an ongoing process to aid the MBZUAI focus on continuous improvement and compliance.

At governmental level, cyclical reviews are conducted by the MoE Inspection Department, CAA, CHEDS, ADEK, and ADEO.

#### **4.1 Ministry of Education**

The Ministry of Education conducts compliance inspection audits on all Higher Education Institutions (HEI) in the UAE. The focus is on compliance with UAE Laws and decrees, international best practices, World ranking indicators and the Commissions for Academic Accreditation Standards for Institutional Licensure and Accreditation 2019. If action is required, all relevant offices are advised, and plans are made to address the requirements within the timeline requested.

#### 4.2 Commission for Academic Accreditation – UAE (CAA)

MBZUAI received Initial Institutional Licensure (IIL) on April 7, 2020. MBZUAI must submit a Renewal Self-Study (RIL) nine months before the expiry of the institutional license. The RIL will evaluate the institution's performance in meeting the Standards for Initial Licensure (SIL) during its period of licensure and will require critically reflective, clear, detailed evidence and appropriate documentation that the institution is accomplishing its mission and offering and delivering educational programs of high quality, consistent with current international practice.

A new addition to the *Standards for Institutional Licensure and Program Accreditation 2019* (the *Standards*) has introduced the 'risk-based approach' to Institutional Licensure and Program Accreditation by the CAA. This context-sensitive assessment of institutional performance is determined against baseline regulatory requirements which originate from the *Standards*. The risk level of institutions is identified according to the threshold risk level, as determined by the CAA, through a two-part process. The risk levels form the basis for decisions related to the ongoing licensure and accreditation review arrangements for HEIs, on a schedule of 3-, 5-, or 7-year visit cycles. The CAA reserves the right to re-classify an institution's risk status as a sanction for violations of the *Standards*.

The determination of risk is undertaken by the External Review Team (ERT) at the conclusion of the Licensure Review, and is based on two equally weighted elements:

**Part A** of the Risk Evaluation considers the extent to which the MBZUAI (at the time of the Licensure review) has provided evidence of meeting the requirements of the *Standards*.

**Part B** of the Risk Evaluation evaluates the risk of strategic, operational, legal, and financial, academic, and international dimensions as applied to specific risk statements, which consider the risk analysis area. The ERT will utilize its professional judgment in following this structured approach to evaluating risk.

Refer to CAA Supplementary Guidance to the Standards 2019, IEQA Policies and Procedures for the documents required for the RIL and all templates.

MBZUAI received the Initial Program Accreditation on March 5, 2020, for the Master of Science programs and Doctor of Philosophy programs in Computer Vision, Machine Learning, and Natural Language Processing. After the program has graduated its first and second cohort of students, a further review, (Renewal of Program Accreditation RPA), is undertaken by the CAA. The review requires a critical self-study and an additional evaluation by an External Review Team (ERT) to ensure that the program's anticipated outcomes are being achieved, including the maintenance of academic standards in keeping with the international norms and the nature of the student experience.

- The first cohort of Master of Science Computer Vision (MSc CV) and Master of Science in Machine Learning (MSc ML) students graduated in January 2023.
- The second cohort in June 2023. The first cohort of the Master of Science in Natural Language Processing (MSc NLP) graduated in June 2023.

- The first cohort of Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Vision (PhD CV), Doctor of Philosophy in Machine Learning (PhD ML), and Doctor of Philosophy in Natural Language Processing (PhD NLP) will graduate in December 2024.
- The second cohort in June 2025. Please refer to Table 2 for the detailed timeline for the renewal of the programs. Program Renewal of these programs will be actioned by 15 June 2025.

Refer to CAA Standards 2019, IEQA Policies and Procedures for the documents required for the RPA and all templates.

Please refer to Table 2 – CAA Program Renewal Timeline.

The CAA may also use other sources to inform its monitoring of MBZUAI. Based on yearly monitoring data or other sources of information, the CAA may carry out additional risk assessments, require additional monitoring and efficiency studies of individual institutions or take such further action as may be necessary.

All new programs require CAA approval before being advertised or commenced at MBZUAI. The process of new program development is defined in the 2019 CAA Standards and the 2019 CAA PMIPA Procedure Manual. IEQA and the Academic team are to develop and complete the CAA Initial Program Accreditation (IPA) document with all supporting evidence following the CAA standards and procedures. CAA may take between six to eight months to approve a new program. CAA may impose requirements that will require swift action. CAA usually requires an External Review Team (ERT) visit before approving the new program. After receiving approval MBZUAI may commence the marketing of the program and student recruitment. Student Affairs will update the catalogue using the curriculum syllabi and program specifications developed by the Academic team. The catalogue will be displayed on the MBZUAI website.

Please refer to Table 3 – MBZUAI New Program Timeline.

Refer to 2019 CAA Standards and Procedures and MBZUAI Academic Policies and Procedures.

#### 4.3 Abu Dhabi Department of Education (ADEK)

Abu Dhabi Department of Education (ADEK) specifies that MBZUAI is required to obtain a "No Objection Letter (NOL)" from ADEK before applying for approval to offer any new programs in the Emirate of Abu Dhabi or make a substantive change to a current approved program. ADEK requires the Self-Study for the new program application to be submitted four (4) months before proposing it to the CAA. The ADEK criteria evaluates the quality of educational provision, access to higher education, alignment with the national development plans as well as an aspiration to establish a knowledge-based society through assessing the impact and the 'value added' that the new programs bring to the HE system and the Emirate of Abu Dhabi society at large.

ADEK requires MBZUAI to adhere to the risk-based review (RBR) requirements by reporting uScore details annually. Annual at the end of February each HEI is required to provide data on a range of metrics that are relevant to their performance, including student enrollment, staff

information, program information, research activities, and more. The information is uploaded to the ADEK platform enabling the computation of standardized metrics that are aligned with international standards. The objective of uScore is to centralize information in a consistent way, creating system-wide metrics that are constantly available to the MoE, ADEK, and each HEI in the system. This ensures that the MoE and ADEK have access to accurate and reliable information on the performance and compliance of HEIs.

The data inputs required by uScore are categorized into three main layouts: the HEI data layout, the program data layout, and the graduation data layout. IEQA collects the required data and reports the information to ADEK. The ADEK re-authorization is conducted through a two-stage RBR methodology:

**Stage 1** - A mandatory annual data collection process for all types of HEIs in the Emirate. HEIs without identified risks will not need any further procedure for the given academic year and can receive an NOL to proceed with CAA's re-licensure. The NOL is provided upon the written request of the HEI and in line with the CAA's granted validity term for licensure (e.g., 3, 5 and 7 years). HEIs identified at risk will be required to undergo Stage 2.

**Stage 2** – HEIs with identified risks will be required to submit a self-evaluation report and may be subject to an external review if applicable. The ADEK RBR is based on a comprehensive analysis of HEI performance in terms of three critical risk areas:

Risk to students: The ultimate success of the institution depends on the success of its students and the recognition of the HE's outcomes/awarded qualifications. The measurement metrics in this group, cumulatively, help to form an understanding of potential risks to students and ensure the HEI takes steps to safeguard students throughout their learning period and beyond.

Risk to financial performance: The financial health of the HEI is crucial for the sustainability of the institution and its long-term contribution. Hence, the measurement metrics in this group are identified to specifically measure financial performance in terms of viability and long-term sustainability.

Risk to Abu Dhabi higher education performance against the set strategic priorities: The measurement metrics in this group are linked with the Abu Dhabi Strategic priorities and cumulatively they will provide necessary knowledge on the HEI's performance quality and relevance.

The annual RBR is linked to the cyclical authorization of HEIs and when risk-free, HEIs are entitled to ADEK's NOL when required to undergo a CAA re-licensure. The re-authorization cycle depends on the HEI's annual risk confidence level rating/identified risks but must occur at least once every seven years. ADEK's decision on re-authorization of HEIs is carried out on a three-point confidence scale.

Confidence level is the degree of certainty that the likelihood or consequence score (assigned by the risk assessor) reflects reality. Based on the data collected by the HEIs and other available official sources through RBR Stage 1, ADEK annual generates an in-depth analysis of all registered HEIs in Abu Dhabi, with an emphasis on the identification of risks and assigning

levels of confidents to HEIs. Depending on the confidence level, a decision is made whether the HEI is to undergo Stage 2 of the RBR or not.

Confidence Level	Descriptor and Implications
	<ul> <li>No Risks or no issues in operation.</li> <li>There is clear evidence of the sustainable operations in the foreseeable future.</li> </ul>
High	<ul> <li>This classification is exempt for the external review Stage 2 of the RBR.</li> <li>Re-authorization of this classification level is required at least once every seven years.</li> <li>This classification level is still subject to the annual RBR to maintain their status.</li> <li>One, two three risks or issues for operation.</li> </ul>
Medium	<ul> <li>If there is clear evidence that the risks and issues could be mitigated in a very short time, then the external review in Stage 2 will only target identified risk areas.</li> <li>This classification level is still subject to the annual RBR to maintain their status.</li> </ul>
Low	<ul> <li>More than three or multiple risks or issues for operation.</li> <li>There is clear evidence that risks and issues cannot be mitigated in a reasonable timeframe.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>This classification is subject to an external review Stage 2 encompassing all three evaluation standards and dimensions (refer to the RBR Evaluation Framework).</li> <li>This classification level is subject to the annual RBR.</li> </ul>
None	<ul> <li>Risks or issues for operation across all three evaluation areas and dimensions.</li> <li>There is clear evidence of continued and repeated problems.</li> </ul>
None	<ul> <li>This classification is subject to a de-registration notification and a full review, with all further decisions being aligned with respective federal and/or Abu Dhabi entities.</li> <li>This classification level is subject to the annual RBR until official de-registration, if any.</li> </ul>

#### ADEK Risk-based review (RPR) Procedure3, as outlined in Figure 9 (next page)

- **Step 1.** Data Submission: HEI submits performance data through ADEK data collection system January to February annually.
- **Step 2.** Technical Review: ADEK conducts the technical review, generates an annual report, identifies risks March to April annually.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Refer to 2023 ADEK ReAuthorization of Higher Education Institutions in Abu Dhabi, 2023 ADEK Authorization of Substantive Changes at Higher Education Institutions, 2023 Authorization of New Higher Education Program in Abu Dhabi, 2023 ADEK uScore User Manual for HEI,2023 ADEK Inputs and Outputs Data Glossary

- Step 3. Consultation Meeting: ADEK conducts consultation meetings with HEIs identified as being at risk and discusses recommendations linked to the level of confidence May to June annually.
- SER & Risk Mitigation Plan Development: ADEK requests the submission of a full Self-Evaluation Report (SER) form HEWIs with medium, low or no confidence. The SER and risk mitigation plan should be analytical in and adhere to applicable ADEK re-authorization standards and guidelines. The SER should be submitted through the ADEK Higher Education Authorization Portal. July to August annually.
- **Step 5.** SER Pre-screening: ADEK conducts pre-screening of SER, risk mitigation plan and submitted evidence for technical compliance and decides if a further external review is required September.
- Step 6. Selection and Appointment of External Reviewers (ERP): The ADEK Procedure Coordinator identifies potential external reviewers and submits the list for approval to the Chairperson of ADEK HEAC, External reviewers are contracted, and sign required documents October.
- Step 7. Submission of Application for External Desk Review: The Full application package is submitted to the external reviews for desk review within one week of the ERP appointment.
- **Step 8.** External Desk Review: External reviewers conduct the desk review. 4 weeks upon receipt of the application package.
- **Step 9.** Site Visit (Optional & based on ERP Request) Led by ADEK, ERP undertakes a site visit up to 5 working days between October and November.
- **Step 10.** Joint Report Preparation ERP prepares a joint report, the final joint report approves or rejects the applicant.
- **Step 11.** Applicant Notification Applicant is advised the decision meets, partially meet, does not meet the standard. December
- **Step 12.** CAA Notification Once the decision is taken, ADEK informs the CAA of the results for their consideration within 10 working days upon decision making.

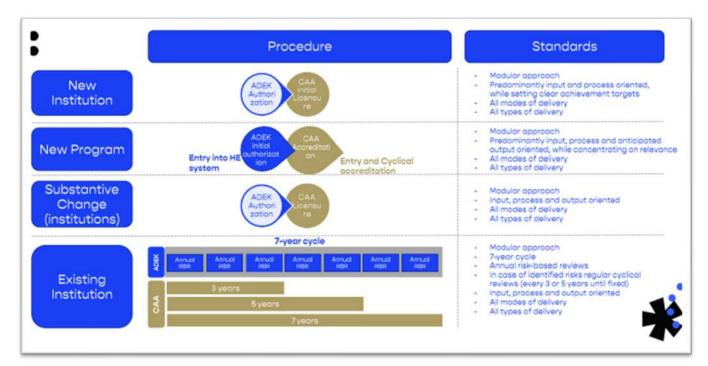


Figure 9: ADEK and CAA Procedure and Standards Ref: ADEK Authorization Revised Approach Final 21 Dec 2021

#### 4.4 Central Higher Education Data Store (CHEDS)

Continued registration as a licensed HEI is conditional on regular submission of data to the Centre for Higher Education Data and Statistics (CHEDS) for monitoring, and completing periodic institutional reviews, and program reviews for accreditation or recognition.

CHEDS is the MoE's infrastructure for collecting and managing data relating to higher education. The role of CHEDS is to provide reliable higher education data efficiently and in a timely fashion. Information supplied by CHEDS is used principally by:

- the MoE's Department of Assessment and Quality of Higher Education Institutions, so that
  decisions about institutional classification are well informed, and information about HEIs
  in the National Register is accurate and current.
- the CAA, so that institution's performance can be monitored systematically, and potential issues identified and addressed effectively and in good time.
- HEIs, so they can more effectively review and benchmark their data and performance.

Data must be submitted by an HEI to CHEDS online each semester in the following five tables:

- Applicants
- Enrolments
- Graduates
- Faculty load

Operations

Data must be submitted by an HEI to CHEDS online annually in the following three tables:

- Institution overview
- Faculty publications
- Financial data

As per the CHEDS Data Model, IEQA will report the CHEDS timeline and requirements.

#### 5. Academic Program Quality Review and Evaluation

#### **5.1 Program Review**

Academic Affairs ensures all programs must adhere to the 2019 CAA Standards for Licensure and Accreditation requirements, ensuring they keep the required evidence as per the standards including, but not limited to:

- Program specifications CAA Annex 10
- Course Syllabi CAA Annex 13
- Course Files CAA Annex 16
- Guidelines for Good Practicum Internships and Practicums of the Standards CAA Annex 12
- Any Substantive Changes to the program require CAA approval as per CAA Annex 17 and the ADEK 2023 Substantive Changes approval.

Academic Affairs manages the course and program development and adheres to the Academic Programs Policy and Program Development Policy, these policies aim to:

- Provide a framework to guide decisions regarding MBZUAI's academic program development, delivery, assessment, and improvement.
- Provide a framework to guide decisions regarding academic performance and progression.
- Set clear responsibility and accountability for management of academic programs and courses
- Provide a framework to ensure that appropriate and high-quality advice is available to students to assist with the planning, execution, and successful completion of their studies.
- Provide a guide to academic program development and sets clear roles and responsibility for the development of academic programs and courses.

Currently the course change process is actioned using change forms with a set approval workflow which involves Faculty, the Program Chairs, and the Provost. Afterwards the change requests are submitted to the Curriculum Committee for review, feedback, and approval.

MBZUAI is implementing a curriculum management software system during quarter four of 2023 to automate this process.

IEQA assesses the compliance to the relevant CAA specifications and standards by auditing a sample of courses and programs each academic year. The results are published in the annual Continuous Quality Enhancement Report with improvement plans if required.

Refer to Academic Programs Policy, and Annual Program Report Template. Program Specifications Template, Course change form, Course Change Summary Report, and IEQA Policies.

All MBZUAI Master's and Doctorate programs have goals for the program and standardised KPIs. Table 4 details the generic KPIs for each Master's Program and Table 5 details the generic doctorate KPIs in Section 8 Tables. These are reviewed each year.

The attainment of the academic KPIs is analysed in the Annual Program Report with timed action plans developed for the following academic year. The Annual Program Report is completed each academic year by the Program Department Chair which summarizes and analyses:

- Previous Program Continuous Improvement.
- Course changes.
- PLO Assessment using Direct and Indirect Methods.
- Institutional Research and Assessment Data.
- KPI achievement and analysis.
- Effectiveness of Resources.
- Analysis of the Physical and Technical Facilities.
- External Stakeholder Feedback.
- And develops a continuous improvement action plan.

Refer to Academic program policies and Annual Program Report Template

#### **5.1.1 Program Learning Outcome Assessment**

The assessment of Program Learning Outcomes (PLO) is an ongoing process of evaluating the overall level of student learning in the HEI's academic programs. It measures the extent to which students have attained program-wide learning outcomes, and the results of the study are used for the continuous review and improvement of the specific program.

At MBZUAI all PLOs are assessed annually. PLO assessment utilizes both direct and indirect assessments, and the results feed into the program quality review reports (Annual Program Reports and CAA Self-studies).

#### **PLO Measurement**

Direct	Indirect
Assessments (Formative and summative) using grade book capabilities in Moodle and Power BI Dashboard analysis.	Students' perception:  • Student course evaluation and feedback.
<ul><li>Average GPAs.</li><li>Graduate outcomes.</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Graduate Exit Survey (which includes PLO attainment perception).</li> </ul>
<ul><li>Attrition Rate.</li><li>Time to Completion of the program.</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Employer Internship evaluation.</li> <li>Alumni survey.</li> <li>Employer survey (six months after first graduation).</li> </ul>

As per CAA standards 2019, an institution is required to demonstrate how the program learning outcomes are aligned with the appropriate Level Descriptors of the QFEmirates (QFE). This is displayed in the curriculum mapping of each program. During the mapping process program goals and KPIs are reassessed annually to confirm they are relevant and aligned with MBZUAI's strategic objectives.

Once the mapping and assessment definition is completed by the content experts and the students have completed all assessments for the academic year, the IEQA team provides a detailed analysis that summarizes:

- PLO Attainment for the Program using the CLO to PLO mapping. This identifies any gaps
  that may require curriculum updates to ensure all PLOs are adequately covered by the
  core courses and research.
- Student PLO Attainment by the program using the results from the anchor assessments for each course and the CLO-PLO mapping.

This data is summarized and analyzed in section 3 of the Annual Program Report with a continuous improvement recommendation if required. Additionally, survey data will be correlated and compared with the outcomes of the direct assessment.

Please refer to the Program Learning outcome Assessment Guidelines, The Program Curriculum Mapping, and the Program Annual Report.

#### 5.1.2 Student 360 Evaluation

The Student 360 Progress Evaluation is a process MBZUAI undertakes every semester to collect feedback from the student specifically on their perception of their ongoing academic and extracurricular progress. The process allows the Faculty and Chairs to assess the student progression across all their courses, research, thesis progress, publications, department service, internship progress and provide feedback to the students on their learning journey.

At the end of each semester, students are asked to meet with their supervisor(s) to discuss the evaluation questions before submitting them. The evaluation questions are self-reflective and

summarize the learning journey throughout the semester according to the following elements (categorized as sections in the evaluation):

They are in sections as follows:

- **Section 1. Courses:** The system displays their completed courses and grades and the courses they are registered into for this semester. Then the student is asked to check if the data is correct and then comment on their semester goals and how they have progressed on these goals.
- **Section 2. Research:** The student is asked if the registered research topic has changed and to briefly describe their current research project and any valuable contributions, they have had towards their research this semester. They are asked what their research plans are for next semester and about their research activities and conferences attended or presented.
- **Section 3. Publications:** The student is asked to upload any new papers that have been accepted or submitted this semester or papers in progress.
- **Section 4. Community & Department Service:** Students are asked to comment on how they feel they progressed whilst being a Graduate Assistant or any other community and department services they have undertaken this semester.
- **Section 5. Internship:** Students discuss their internship, evaluation and any upcoming or proposed internships.
- **Section 6. Overall Evaluation:** Students are asked to rate their stress level and comment on why they gave that rating. They are asked to advise if there is anything else they feel faculty should be aware of when evaluating their progress.

This information is then submitted to the Primary Supervisor to provide their review, then similarly the Secondary Supervisor and the Department Chair for comments (as an optional step, as they could admit unfamiliarity with the student or specify not sufficient contact was conducted to reliably provide an evaluation).

During the last week of the semesters, (typically, mid-December and Mid-May respectively)- an all-faculty meeting is presided by the Provost for all faculty members to discuss each evaluation and reviewing future actions or improvements are required based on the information provided and additional feedback upon discussion. When the Provost, Chairs, and Faculty are satisfied that all information is complete, the Student 360 evaluation is released back to the students for them to ascertain their overall evaluation and for further reflection for the following semester.

The data is provided as a summary and by entering the specific area more detailed information is provided. The Student and the relevant faculty have access to previous semester's submissions to review comments and outcomes throughout the individual student learning journey.

## 5.1.3 Schedule and Responsibilities Course and Program Assessment, Reporting, and Improvements

Every semester a timeline on when course and program reviews and assessments take place. This schedule along with roles and responsibilities is detailed in Section 7, Table 1.

Please refer to Table 1 – MBZUAI Schedule and Responsibility for Course and program Review, reporting, and improvements.

#### **5.1.4** Substantive Changes to a Program

For all substantive changes to a program, MBZUAI is required to seek approval from CAA. A substantive change is defined as a change that modifies a program's characteristics such as its goals, learning outcomes, basic structure, or mode of delivery. MBZUAI will inform CAA of changes falling into the following categories:

- Significantly change the aims of the learning outcomes of a program.
- Establish instruction in a significantly different format (such as an intensive term) or method of delivery (such as e-learning).
- Introduce or close one or more concentrations within a program.
- Increase or decrease the number of actual or notional learning hours awarded for successful completion of a program or the length of the program.

MBZUAI will submit the substantive change report to CAA at least six months before the date on which the change is to be implemented. The report will include the following:

- A description of the proposed changes.
- The rationale for the proposed changes.
- Evidence of authorization by the governing body and other relevant parties, and a projection of any developments anticipated because of the change.

#### **5.1.5** New Program Timetable

All new programs require approval from CAA and ADEK before they may commence. ADEK specifies the process in the Criteria Guidelines and Procedures for ADEK Authorization of a new Program. Figure 11 illustrates the Institutional and Program Approval process for the emirate of Abu Dhabi. Please refer to Section 7, Table 7 for the detailed timeline.

MBZUAI plans to develop two new programs in 2024, and 2025; therefore, is in the process of following the below timeline.

CAA advises an institution applying for Initial Program Accreditation (IPA) must follow the timetable for review as outlined below:

 The Commission typically reviews completed and accepted Applications submitted by November 1 during the following spring semester.

- The Commission typically reviews completed and accepted Applications submitted by May 1 during the following fall semester.
- Given that there are often required responses in the IPA process, the total amount of time from Application to the completion of the process may take longer depending on how the institution responds to any queries from the initial ERT review.

CAA has documented all the initial program accreditation requirements in the Procedural Manual for Initial Program Accreditation 2019. Documentary evidence and a self-study displaying adherence to the standards are required to seek approval to commence a new program.

MBZUAI has a Program Development Policy that provides a guide regarding MBZUAI's academic program development and sets clear responsibility and accountabilities for the management of academic programs and courses.

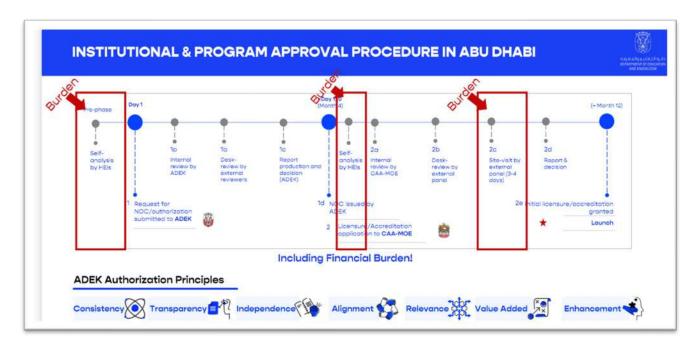


Figure 11: ADEK and CAA New Program Procedure and Timeline Ref: ADEK Authorization Revised Approach Final 21 Dec 2021

# 6. MBZUAI 2023-2024 Survey Administration Calendar and 2024-2025 Survey Administration Calendar

### MBZUAI 2023-24 Survey Administration Calendar

#	Survey	Target Population	Proposed Dates		Survey Duration	Survey Owners	IEQA Analysis & Dashboards
1.	The employee of the Month	All Support Staff	Monthly	1-14 of each month	Two weeks	HR	Report 15 of each month
2.	Student Faculty Evaluation Survey, Graduate Assistant Evaluation Survey & Course Evaluation	Current Students Attending Classes	Fall End of Semester Week 16-18, 1 – 15 Dec 22	Spring End of Semester Week 16-18, 22 Apr – 13May	Three weeks	Academic	Reports during: End of Semester
3.	Student Motivation and Perceptions Survey	All students	Annually – during orientation	September	Three weeks	MARCOM	Report Mon and Thurs each week and final report
4.	Prospective Employers survey (new programs)	All Employers	Annually	1 – 21 Sept	Three weeks	Careers & CAA	Final Report

5.	Prospective Student survey (new programs)	All Employers	Annually	1 – 21 Sept	Three weeks	MARCOM	Final Report
6.	MoE Student Satisfaction Survey	All Students	Annually	March	One week	MoE	Not administered MBZUAI
7.	Staff and Faculty Satisfaction (CHEDS)	Staff and Faculty	Annually	17 April – 30 April	IEQA	IEQA Report required for CHEDS	
8.	Student Progress Evaluation (360)	Current Students	Fall Completed by 15 December Students – 25/10 Faculty – 10/12 Chair – 14/12	Spring Completed by 22 May Students – 1/5 Faculty – 22/5 Chair – 21/5	One month in total	Academic	Full Report Required
9.	Graduate Exit Survey	Graduates	Annually	Spring Week 17-19	Two weeks	Academic & All MBZUAI	Full Report Required
10.	Employer / Industry Satisfaction Survey (future) 3 years after graduation	Employers of Graduation Cohort	Annually	June Commencing in 2025	Two weeks	IEQA	Full report required
11.	Employer /Industry Satisfaction with Interns	All Students who attend Internships	End of each internship	August / Sept (360 employer & peers survey)	One month	Academic & Student Affairs	Full report required

12.	Alumni Survey (future)	Registered Alumni	Annually	September Commencing in 2024	Two weeks	Public Affairs & Alumni Relations	Full report required
13.	Management Committee Evaluation	All Management committees	Annually	from June	Two Weeks	Legal and Committee Chairs	Full report required
14.	Staff Engagement & Internal Communication Survey	All MBZUAI Staff	Annually	September	Two weeks	HR & MARCOM	Full report required
15.	Student Satisfaction with Services Survey, including IT User Survey	All Students	Annually	November	One week	IEQA	Full report required
16.	The	All Support	Annually	1-7 of	One week	HR	Report 10 of
	Department/Team of the Year	Staff	,	December			December
17.	•	• •	Annually	December	Six weeks	MoE	•

All surveys in dark blue are administered by external parties not MBZUAI. All approved survey templates are in Appendix A of this document. Some surveys are still in the development process and are not included in this version of the IEQA Manual.

### **MBZUAI 2024-25 Survey Administration Calendar**

#	Survey	Target Population	Proposed	Dates	Survey Duration	Survey Owners	Analysis & Results
1.	Faculty Evaluation Survey, Graduate Assistant Evaluation Survey & Course Evaluation	Current Students Attending Classes	Fall Mid Semester 2 Open ended Qs Week 8-9 End Semester Week 16-17	Spring Mid Semester 2 Open ended Qs Week 8-9 End Semester Week 16-17	Two weeks	Faculty & Academic Development	Mid Semester Week 11 End of Semester Week 17
2.	Student Motivation Perceptions & Onboarding Survey	All students	Annually (orientation)	August (12 August - 12 Sept 24)	One month	MARCOM & Registrar	Report each week and two final reports (MARCOM & Registrar)
3.	Prospective Student Interest with New Program Survey	External/pot ential students	Annually – to gauge new interest	Jan – 17 Feb 25	Three weeks	MARCOM & CAA	As required
4.	MoE Student Satisfaction Survey	All Students	Annually	March-June	One month	MoE	Not administered by MBZUAI

5.	Student Progress Evaluation (360)	Current Students	Fall Week 14-18 Completed by 13 December Students – 30/11 Faculty – 11/12 Chair – 12/12	Spring Week 17-21 Completed by 9 May Students – 30/04 Faculty – 6/05 Chair – 8/05	One month in total	Faculty & Educational Affairs	Dashboard
6.	Graduate Exit Survey	Graduates	Annually (post final exams)	Week 21-23 15-31 May	Two weeks	Faculty & Academic Development & Educational Affairs	Full Report
7.	Industry (Strategic) Partners Satisfaction Survey	MBZUAI Industry Partners	Annually	June	Two weeks	PAAR	Administered by the PAAR Department
8.	Employer / Industry Satisfaction Survey (3 years after graduation)	Employers of Graduation Cohort	Annually	June Commencing in 2025	Two weeks	IEQA	Full report
9.	Employer Satisfaction with Interns Survey	All Students who attend Internships	Annually every summer (End of each internship)	September 24 (360 employer & peers-to-peer survey)	One month	Academic & Educational Affairs	Administered by the Careers Team
10.	Graduate Employer / Employee Survey (360)	Graduates and Employers	3-months afte (Sept 2024		One month	Careers & MBZUAI	Full report

#	Survey	Target Population	Proposed	d Dates	Survey Duration	Survey Owners	Analysis & Results
11.	Alumni Satisfaction Survey	Registered Alumni	Annually	September 2024	Two weeks	PAAR	Administered by the PAAR Department
12.	Management Committee Evaluation Surveys	All Manageme nt committees	Annually Nov	ember 2024	Two Weeks	Legal & Committee Chairs	Full report
13.	Staff Internal Communication Survey	All Staff	Annually	September	Two weeks	HR & MARCOM	Full report
14.	New Joiners' Satisfaction Survey	All new Staff	Quarterly	January, April, July, October	Two weeks	HR	Full report
15.	Staff & Faculty Satisfaction with Services	All Staff	Annually (Incorporating CHEDS requirements)	November	One month	IEQA	Full report
16.	Student Satisfaction with Services Survey	All Students	Annually	1 – 14 November	Two weeks	IEQA	Full report
17.	Supplier Satisfaction with MBZUAI Procurement Survey	Suppliers	Annually	November	One month	Procurement	Administered by the

							Procurement Team
18.	Event & Exhibitions Surveys	All involved in the Event	After each event	After each event	Two weeks	PAAR	Full Report after event
19.	Annual Operational Planning Survey	All involved in the process	Annually	January	Two weeks	Strategy	Cleaned data and Full report
20.	MOE Graduate Destination Survey	Graduation Cohorts (9 months post- graduation)	Annually	TBA	Six weeks	MoE	Not administered by MBZUAI
21.	MOE Longitudinal Graduate Destination Survey	Graduation Cohort in 3 years - 2025	Annually	TBA	Five weeks	MoE	Not administered by MBZUAI

All surveys in **green** are administered by other MBZUAI departments, not IEQA.

All surveys in dark blue are administered by external parties, not MBZUAI.

### 7. Tables

Table 1 – MBZUAI Schedule and Responsibility for Course and Program Review, reporting, and Improvements

Assessment Type	Frequency	Assessment Instrument(s)	Responsibility
Course Learning Outcomes	Each Semester	Written Examination; Lab examination, Computer simulations, projects, Oral presentations, Research Reports, Case studies, Assignments, etc.	Academic Faculty
Course Review - Minor, Major changes	Each Semester	Course change form.	Academic Faculty
Program Learning Outcomes (PLOs)	Each Academic year	Annual Program Report.	Program Chair/
		Program Learning Outcome Assessment Guidelines.	Department Chair
New Course Proposal	As required based on feedback from stakeholders	New course form, including proposed syllabus.	Academic Faculty
Student Course Evaluation	Each semester	Student Course Survey.	Academics and IEQA
Faculty Course Review	Each Semester	Faculty Course Review.	Academics & IEQA
360 Evaluation	Every semester	360 Evaluation form.	Academics and IEQA
Exit Survey	Each Academic year	Exit Survey Form.	Academics and IEQA

Exit Interviews	Each Academic Year	Face-to-Face meeting.	Program Chair
Alumni Survey	Every three years	Alumni survey Form/ Telephone Interview.	Academics and IEQA
Employer Survey	Every three years	Employer survey Form /Telephone Interview.	Academics and IEQA
Annual Program Report completed for all active programs	End of each academic year	Annual Program Report.	Program Department Chair
Continuous Quality Enhancement Report	End of each academic year	IEQA Annual Report.	IEQA
Self-Study Audit of Program	Every two years in Spring MSc (Jan/Feb) – Academic Dept Self Audit. (commencing in 2024)	Academic Dept. Check compliance with all CAA Standards.	CAA RPA Self- Study check template (Appendix D)
	Every four years for a PhD (commencing in 2025)		Check compliance and develop an improvement plan for any gaps
Recommendations reviewed by the Curriculum Committee	As required.	Curriculum Committee Charter and minutes of meetings.	Curriculum Committee
	Annually	Evaluation Survey of Committee.	
Substantive changes will require CAA and ADEK submission and approval. Substantive changes to its educational programs significantly modify its key characteristics, goals, intended learning outcomes, basic structure, and mode or place of delivery.	The deadline is 1 April and changes will not be made until approval is received – CAA requires six months before the date on which the change is to be implemented	Substantive Change to CAA.	Academic and IEQA

Regular monitoring of the implementation of improvement plans	Ongoing	Continuous improvement.  Continuous Improvement Annual Report and MBZUAI Annual Report.	KPI reporting and Academic reports Academics and IEQA
External Review of Academic Programs	Periodically (depending on External Accreditation Schedule)	National Accreditation.	CAA Renewal of Program Accreditation Self- Study

Table 2 – CAA Program Renewal Timeline

What	When	Who	Document
Master of Science (MSc) Program Renewal  All-Academic Programs complete the self-assessment using the IEQA CAA Renewal of Program self-study template (RPR).  Develop Improvement plans if required.	3 months	Academic Dept – Academic Development Department and Program Department	IEQA CAA RPR Self- study template and checklist
IEQA conduct a self-study gap analysis for the Renewal of Program Accreditation (RPA) and commence the RPA task force process for all Master programs	1 month	IEQA and Master programs taskforce	CAA RPA Self Study
Writes the ADEK Program Renewal Authorization Report  Writes the CAA Renewal of Program Self-Study (RPA)	3 months	IEQA and Master programs taskforce	ADEK Program Renewal "no objection"
Writes the OAA Renewal of Program Sen-Study (RPA)			

Collect all evidence, review, and approvals by the management team			CAA RPA Self Study
Submit Renewal of Master Program Review Self- Studies (clustered with PhD)	Fall 2024	IEQA and program taskforces	CAA RPR Self-Study
Expect MSc CAA External Review Team (ERT) Visit (clustered with PhD)	Spring 2025	CAA ERT	
MBZUAI Institutional Renewal  IEQA conduct a self-study gap analysis for the Renewal of Institutional Licensure Self-study (RIL) and commence the RIL task force process	1 month	IEQA	CAA RIL
Update and finalize RIL based on feedback from the management team	3 months	IEQA and Taskforce	CAA RIL
Finalize and seek approval for the RIL document for CAA	1 month	IEQA and Taskforce	CAA RIL
Submit Renewal of Institutional Licensure (RIL) Self- Study	May 2024	IEQA and taskforce	CAA RIL Self-study
PhD Program Renewal  IEQA conduct a self-study gap analysis for the Renewal of Program Accreditation (RPA) and commence the RPA task force process for all Ph.D. programs	1 month	IEQA and Master programs taskforce	CAA RPA Self Study
Write RPA, Collect all evidence, review, and approvals by the management team	2 months	IEQA and Master programs taskforce	CAA RPA Self Study

Submit Renewal of Ph.D. Program Review Self-Studies (clustered with MSc)	Fall 2024	IEQA and Program taskforces	CAA RPA Self-Study
Expect PhD CAA ERT Visit (clustered with MSc)	Spring 2025	CAA ERT	

Table 3 – MBZUAI New Program Timeline

What	Document	Purpose	Responsibility	Timeline
Assess the need for the new program	Complete Feasibility study ensuring all details required by CAA Stipulation 3 and CAA Annex 9 is in the Study	To verify data confirms the need for the program and sustainably of the program	Academic	2 months
New Program Formal Approval by MBZUAI	Email or sign off to proceed	Formal approval is required internally before continuing. DoA states approval is required by Provost, Academic Committee, President, and BoT	Provost, Curriculum Committee, President, and BoT	1 month
Recruit Specialized Faculty	Recruitment Plan	Recruit the required faculty	Academic Administration	6 months
Develop Program Curriculum	Document to include Program Learning outcomes, program description, program semester plan, program core courses, and elective courses	Used as a guide for the following documents. The program curriculum is done in conjunction with the development of the Program specifications and course curriculum	Academic– program specialist /s	1 month

Develop Program Specifications	Using MBZUAI template that incorporates CAA Annex 10 Includes PLOs and QF <i>Emirates</i> Mapping, program completion requirements, structure and typical schedule, Teaching and Learning Strategies, Assessment Strategy, Admission requirements	Explains the Program specifications	Academic– program specialist/s	1 week using the Program curriculum as the guide
Develop new core courses and elective syllabi and curriculum	Course syllabi	Develop a topic guide and assessment strategy guide. Ensure the CLOs are mapped to the PLOs	Academic– program specialist/s	2 months
New programs required ADEK "No Objection Certificate (NOC)"	Develop ADEK New Program Authorization Application with all related evidence for each program.  Follow the ADEK guidelines for a new program	Submit to ADEK seeking a NOC.	Academics and IEQA	1 month  One year before commencing the program.  In Aug/Sept the following year
Complete the CAA Initial Program Accreditation document	Use 2019 CAA standards and follow the CAA 2019 Procedural Manual for Initial Accreditation (PMIPA)	Adhere to all CAA 2019 standards	Academics and IEQA	2-3 months
Seek approval from CAA	Submit IPA to CAA for approval to commence the program	Seek approval.	Academic and IEQA	3-6 months

		Prepare for and host in- person or virtual ERT site visits.		
After approval, commence marketing program and recruitment	Update catalogue and recruit students, schedule classes	The catalogue must include the newly approved program and be aligned with information on the website.	Academics, Admissions and Marketing	2-6 months
Commence the new programs	Commence semester 1 of the program		Academics	August/Sept

**Table 4: Master's Program Generic KPIs** 

#	MSc XXX Program KPI Description
1.	It is intended that at least <b>one</b> peer-refereed article will be published by Master's students before completing their program.
2.	It is intended that students will participate in at least <b>one</b> conference before completing their program.
3.	It is intended that <b>80</b> % of master's researchers surveyed will be satisfied with the timeliness and quality of constructive feedback received from supervisors, following assessments and submission of draft work.
4.	It is intended that 80% of master's researchers surveyed are engaged in the research environment and culture at MBZUAI.
5.	It is intended that <b>80%</b> of master's researchers surveyed will be satisfied with the timeliness, level and quality of support provided by the supervisory team.
6.	It is intended that <b>80</b> % of master's researchers surveyed will be satisfied with the level of contact and number of meetings held with their supervisors.
7.	95% of students successfully pass their Program Name Master's Thesis.
8.	10% of Masters students' progress to PhD at MBZUAI.
9.	70% of students complete the program on time.

10.	80% of Program Learning Outcome (PLO) achievement.
11.	90% first-year retention rate.
12.	90% of conditionally accepted students' progress to semester two.
13.	Number of plagiarism cases reported per program per year.
14.	7:1 Faculty-student ratio per academic program.

**Table 5: PhD Program Generic KPIs** 

#	PhD XXX Program KPI Description
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1.	It is intended that at least <b>two</b> peer-refereed articles will be published by PhD students before completing their program.
2.	It is intended that students will participate in at least <b>two</b> conferences before completing their program.
3.	It is intended that <b>80%</b> of PhD researchers surveyed will be satisfied with the timeliness and quality of constructive feedback received from supervisors, following assessments and submission of draft work.
4.	It is intended that 80% of PhD researchers surveyed are engaged in the research environment and culture at MBZUAI.
5.	It is intended that <b>80%</b> of PhD researchers surveyed will be satisfied with the timeliness, level and quality of support provided by the supervisory team.
6.	It is intended that <b>80</b> % of PhD researchers surveyed will be satisfied with the level of contact and number of meetings held with their supervisors.
7.	95% of students successfully pass their Program Name PhD Thesis.
8.	70% of students complete the program on time.
9.	80% of Program Learning Outcome (PLO) achievement.
10.	90% first-year retention rate.
11.	90% of conditionally accepted students' progress to semester two.
12.	Number of plagiarism cases reported per program per year.

**Table 6: PLO Measurement** 

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Direct	Indirect			
<ul> <li>Assessments (Formative and summative) using grade book capabilities in Moodle and Power BI Dashboard analysis.</li> </ul>	Students' perception –			
Average GPAs	Student course evaluation and feedback  Out dust a Full Course (which includes BLC)			
Graduate outcomes	<ul> <li>Graduate Exit Survey (which includes PLO attainment perception)</li> </ul>			
Attrition Rate  Time Complete Complete  Time C	Employer Internship evaluation			
Time to Completion of the program	<ul><li>Alumni survey</li><li>Employer survey (six months after first graduation)</li></ul>			
	Employer survey (six months after first graduation)			

Table 7 – CAA and ADEK New Program Timeline

What	Document	Purpose	Responsibility	Timeline
New programs required	Develop a new program authorization application with all related evidence for each program.  Follow the ADEK guidelines for new programs.	Submit to ADEK seeking a no- objection letter (note ADEK is currently changing its procedures – further changes could follow).	Academics and IEQA	One year before commencing the program.
Seek approval from CAA	Submit Initial Program Application (IPA) self-study to CAA for approval to commence the program	Seek approval, answer any queries asked, prepare for an External Review Visit, or it may be done virtually	Academics and IEQA	Four (4) months after the ADEK application approved

Host External Review Team (ERT) at MBZUAI	CAA ERT Report	Evaluation of the new program and assess MBZUAI eligibility to commence the program	CAA	1 Week
Respond to ERT Report	CAA ERT Response Report	Provide evidence of implementation of CAA requirements	IEQA & Academics	Two – four months
Receive approval from CAA to commence a new program	Receive approval letter from CAA	MBZUAI cannot commence recruitment or advertisement of the program until approved by the CAA	CAA	Six-to nine months after the application submitted
Commence the new programs	Update catalogue, website, schedule, and arrange an intake	Summary of feedback from all stakeholders – Academic department to develop an action plan based on feedback.	Academic	One year after the initial ADEK application

### Appendix A – All approved Survey Templates for 2023-2024



### Management Committee Self-Evaluation

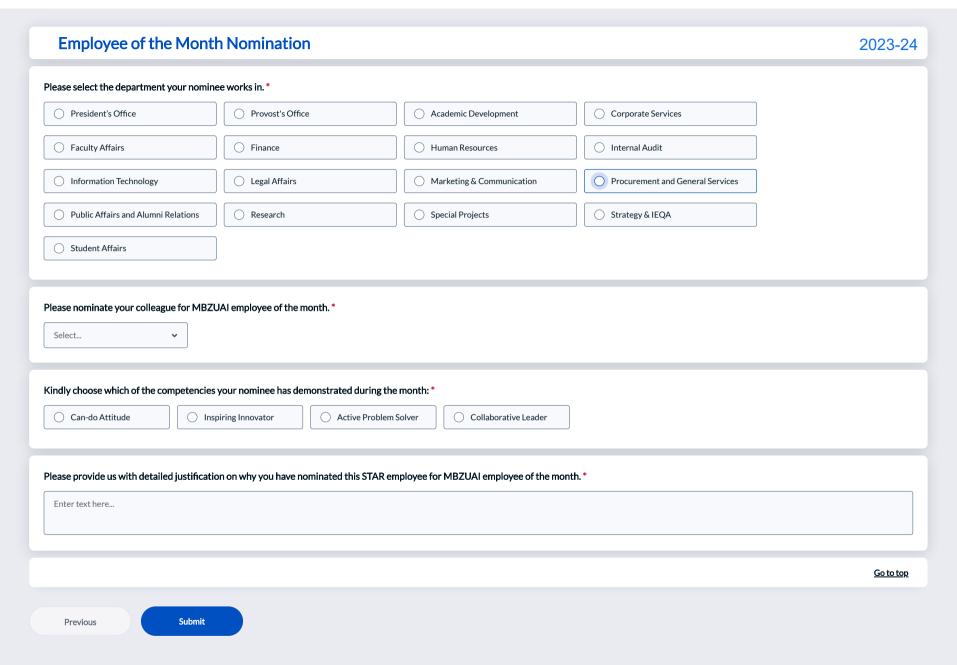
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Role of the Committee *						
	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	
The purpose and responsibilities of the Committee are well understood by its members.	0	0	0	0	0	
The Committee adequately covers its purpose and responsibilities.	0	0	0	0	0	
The Committee members have the appropriate skills, background, and competencies for the role.	0	0	0	0	0	
Committee meetings *						
	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	
Committee meetings are well organized.	0	0	0	0	0	
Meetings are sufficiently frequent to manage the committee's business effectively.	0	0	0	0	0	
Sufficient time is provided for the consideration of agenda items.	0	0	0	0	0	
Committee agenda, papers and minutes are made available in enough time to allow adequate review.	0	0	0	0	0	
The agenda and papers contain appropriate information in an accessible and understandable format.	0	0	0	0	0	
Meeting Minutes reflect the views and recommendations of the Committee.	0	0	0	0	0	
Oversite of Committee Policy, Issues, Risks, and Reporting *						
	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	
The Committee considers and reviews Policy, Issues, Risks, and reporting as related to its purpose and responsibilities.	0	0	0	0	0	

	Support for Committee Members *							
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree		
	New committee Members are provided with relevant briefing/orientation material.	0	0	0	0	0		
Responses saved.								
	What is your overall assessment of the performance of the Committee?*	•						
	Enter text here							
	Please provide additional comments on any aspect of the Committee.							
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### End of Course Evaluation 2023-24

Course							
Plese rate your level of satisfaction with the following statements. *							
	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly agree		
The course learning outcomes were clear.	0	0	0	0	0		
The learning resources (textbooks, presentations, course notes, homework assignments etc.) supported me achieving the course learning outcomes.	0	0	0	0	0		
The assessments used in the course were relevant to the course learning outcomes.	0	0	0	0	0		
The learning activities provided by the lecturer were of a high quality.	0	0	0	0	0		
The course workload was manageable.	0	0	0	0	0		
The course was valuable to my program of study.	0	0	0	$\circ$	0		
Overall, how would you rate the course?*  1 2 3 4 5	6 0 7	<u> </u>	<u> </u>				
What were the best aspects of the course?  Enter text here							
What were the worst aspects of the course?  Enter text here							

What improvements would you make to the course?

Instructor							
Questions * [C\$FN][C\$LN]							
Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Very Good			
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What did you like best about this lecturer's teaching?

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Responses saved.

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What did you like least about this lecturer's teaching? [C\$FN][C\$LN]							
Enter text here							
Would you have liked the lecturer to have done anything differently?  [C\$FN][C\$LN]  Enter text here							
Lab Supervisor							
Questions * [C\$FN][C\$LN]							
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Very Good		
Organization and preparation for every lab.	0	0	0	0	0		
Clarity in explaining the lab material.	0	0	0	0	0		
Encouragement (motivation and engagement) given to students to participate in lab activities.	0	0	0	0	0		
Assistance, when needed, with lab activities.	0	0	0	0	0		
Clarity of the lab supervisor's voice.	0	0	0	0	0		
Communicating the course goals and activities, as well as the due dates for lab assignments and reports.	0	0	0	0	0		
Providing directions for improving my work.	0	0	0	0	0		
Communication with you outside of class.	0	0	0	0	0		

✓ Responses saved.

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	least about this lab supervis	or's teaching?					
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Questions About the Graduate Assistant \*
[C\$FN] [C\$LN]

✓ Responses save

		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly agree			
	The GA was generally well prepared.	0	0	0	0	0			
✓ Responses saved.	The GA was very knowledgeable in the subject matter.	0	0	0	0	0			
Responses saveu.	In presenting new material, the GA was well organized.	0	0	0	0	0			
	The GA was able to help pick out the more important material dealt with in the course.	0	0	0	0	0			
	The GA was able to answer most questions relating to the course material.	0	0	0	0	0			
	The GA spoke clearly.	0	0	0	0	0			
	The GA showed genuine interest in the academic progress of his/her students.	0	0	0	0	0			
	The GA was generally available for help outside class hours.	0	0	0	0	0			
	Overall, how would you rate the GA?*         [C\$FN] [C\$LN]         1       2       3       4       5       6       7       8       9       10								
	Any comments? [C\$FN] [C\$LN]  Enter text here								
	Please indicate the extent to which you achieved the course learning outcomes.								
	Placeholder #1*								

	O Not at all	
	○ A Little	
	○ Somewhat	
Responses saved.	○ ALot	
	Completely	
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MBZUAI Events Evaluation			2023-24
What is your overall rating of the MBZUAI experience Please rate your satisfaction from 0 to 10.	ence at this event?*		
Which category would you place yourself into?*			
☐ Invited Guest	MBZUAI Invited Staff	MBZUAI Staff working at the event at any stage	
Supplier & 3rd party supplier			
In which department are you currently employed? If Other, please state the full official name of the department, not at the department of the department, not at the department of the department, not at the department of the department, not at the department, not at the department of the department, not at the department of the department, not at the department of the departm			
In which sub-category would you place yourself?  MBZUAI Staff  Family & Friends of Staff  MBZUAI Alumni			•
MBZUAI MEP Alumni			

Family & Friends of Alumni						
Family & Friends of Students						
☐ Invited Guest from MBZUAI Staff						
Other						
If 'Other' is selected, please add a comment.						
How would you rate the following aspects of the G		ones in the future				
to build off our error is, please provide as with more comments on	now we could improve your experie	ence in the luture.				Comments
	Very satisfied	Satisfied 😊	Neither 😑	Dissatisfied ©	Very dissatisfied 😣	
Frequency and type of information received ahead of the	e event.	0	0	0	0	Enter text here
Event description and agenda.	0	0	0	0	0	Enter text here
Ease of access to the venue.	0	0	0	0	0	Enter text here
MBZUAI welcome and guide inside the venue.	0	0	0	0	0	Enter text here
Ease of locating MBZUAI's booth at the exhibition.	0	0	0	0	0	Enter text here
Quality and impact of MBZUAI's stand/booth.	0	0	0	0	0	Enter text here
How would you rate your satisfaction with the fol To build on our efforts, please provide us with more comments on						
						Comments
	Very satisfied 👙	Satisfied 😂	Neither 😜	Dissatisfied @	Very dissatisfied 😣	
Your role at the event	0	0	0	0	0	Enter text here
Your tasks and responsibilities	0	0	0	0	0	Enter text here
The brief you received prior to the start of the event	0	0	0	0	0	Enter text here

							Comments
	Very satisfied 👙	Satisfied 😊	Neither 😩	Dissatisfied	I <u>@</u>	Very dissatisfied 😣	
ender time and process	0	0	0	0		0	Enter text here
BZUAI Procurement	0	0	0	0		0	Enter text here
BZUAI Event team	0	0	0	0		0	Enter text here
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How would you rate your satisfaction with the following while working with MBZUAI for the event?



Module training			2023-24					
Please rate your level of satisfaction with the program training.*								
	Excellent 🔐	Good 🤤	Poor 😩					
Overall, how did you find this module for the Executive Leadership program?	0	0	0					
How did you find the training content in helping you acquire new knowledge/skills?	0	0	0					
Will you recommend this training for other leaders at MBZUAI?*  Please provide any details you think relevant in support of your answer.  Yes No  Comments  Enter text here								
Module trainer								
Please rate your level of satisfaction with the program trainer.*								
	Excellent 👙	Good 🥯	Poor 🥯					
How would you rate the trainer's knowledge and expertise on the training topic?	0	0	0					
How well did the trainer engage and interact with the participants?	0	0	0					
How responsive was the trainer to questions and concerns raised by the participants?	0	0	0					
Module location & facilities								
Please rate your level of satisfaction with the program location and facilit	ies.*							
	Excellent 👙	Good 🤤	Poor 🥯					

How would you rate the overall suitability of the training location/venue for the program?	$\circ$	0	$\circ$
How would you rate the services at the training location (e.g., restrooms, refreshments, restaurant) satisfactory?	0	0	0
Did the training location provide a conducive environment for learning and Please provide any details you think relevant in support of your answer.  Yes No	nd concentration?*		
Comments			
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Suggestions & recommendations			
Do you have any suggestions or recommendations to enhance future mod	dule?		
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MBZUAI Exhibitions Evaluation				2023-24
What is your overall rating of the MBZUAI experience at the Please rate your satisfaction from 0 to 10.	his event? *			
Which category would you place yourself into? *  MBZUAI Invited Staff  MBZUAI Staff working at the event at any stage				
In which department are you currently employed?  If Other, please state the full official name of the department, not an acronym  Marketing and Communication  Public Affairs and Alumni Relations  Procurement  General Services  IT  Educational Affairs  Other  If 'Other' is selected, please add a comment.	– e.g., Marketing and Communication			
How would you rate the following aspects of the event? * We take great interest in meeting your expectations, so please do provide us v				Comments
Ease of access to the exhibition venue.	Good	Fair	Poor	Enter text here
Frequency and type of information received ahead of the event.	0	0	0	Enter text here

Ease of locating MBZUAI's booth at the exhibition	0	0		0	Enter text here
Quality and impact of MBZUAI's stand/booth					
	0	0		0	Enter text here
Please answer the following questions in relation to your rathough not compulsory, you are welcome to provide additional comments to					
					Comments
		Yes		No	
Did you have a pre-determined/specific role at the exhibition?		0		0	Enter text here
Did you receive a clear brief on your tasks?		0		0	Enter text here
In case you had difficulties addressing a query or concern, was ther MBZUAI who could assist you and/or direct the person to the com	e someone from ect information?	0		$\circ$	Enter text here
Enter text here					
Please select the option below that best fit your role in you	ır team. *				
○ Team leader					
○ Team member					
Individual					
Other					
If 'Other' is selected, please add a comment.					
What was your working-day pattern at the event?*					
Full-day Half-day	○ All-exhibition duration				
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How long have you and your team worked at the event?*					
Event day(s) only	14-28 days 1 month	2 months	3+ mo	onths	

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what do you think was the key message MBZUAI wished to send to our customers and attendees?	
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What suggestions or recommendations do you have to help us improve the MBZUAI's presence to the event for next year?	
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## Graduate information Name: [R\$FN][R\$LN]Program: [R\$PROGRAM] Department: [R\$DEPT]

2023-24

Your experience at MBZUAI								
Your overall experience								
Please rate your overall experience with MBZUAI in the following areas *								
	Poor	Fair	Good	Very good	Excellent			
Overall academic experience at MBZUAI	0	0	0	0	0			
Overall quality of the graduate degree program	0	0	0	0	0			
Quality of the faculty teaching the program	0	0	0	0	0			
Overall satisfaction of departmental support related to research	0	0	0	0	0			
Relevance of the program content to my research goals and interests	0	0	0	0	0			
As a result of my research degree program, I feel better prepared for my future career	0	0	0	0	0			
Is there any experience or thought you would like to share which could he You will have the opportunity to provide feedback to specific feedback in later sections, but you are Enter text here								
Your experience at MBZUAI  Program Learning Outcomes								
Please rate your level of confidence in your ability in each of the program	Please rate your level of confidence in your ability in each of the program learning outcomes.*							
	Notatall	Alittle	Somewhat	Alot	Completely			

Explain the modern machine learning pipeline: data, models, algorithmic principles, and empirics.	0		0	0	0
Employ data-preprocessing and various exploration and visualization tools.					
Identify and differentiate the capabilities and limitations of the different forms of learning algorithms.	0	0	0	0	0
Critically analyze, evaluate, and continuously improve the performance of the learning algorithms.			0	0	0
Analyze computational and statistical properties of advanced learning algorithms and their performance.			0	0	
Apply and deploy ML-relevant programming tools for a variety of complex ML problems.	0	0	0	0	0
Problem-solve through independently applying machine learning methods to multiple, often ambiguous, complex problems.	0	0	0	0	0
Apply sophisticated skills in initiating, managing, completing, and communicating multiple project reports, highly complex ideas, and critiques on variety of machine learning methods using innovative and sustainable approaches.	0	0	0	0	0
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plement cutting-edge NLP algorithms and benchmark the achieved results.	0	0	0	0	0
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e and deploy NLP related programming tools for a variety of NLP problems.	0	0	0	0	0
ork independently as well as part of a team, in a collegial manner, on NLP ated projects.	0	0	0	0	0
fectively communicate experimental results and research findings orally and	0	0	0	0	0
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	Notatall	Alittle	Somewhat	Alot	Completely
Develop expertise in several specialized areas of research in computer vision.	0	0	0	0	0
Compare and contrast existing literature, apply reasoning, and master necessary skills and techniques to develop novel ideas that are recognized by the experts of the computer vision discipline.	0	0	0	0	0
Apply advanced problem-solving skills to analyze, design and execute nnovative solutions for the existing and/or new problems faced in both ndustry and academia.	0	0	0	0	0
nitiate, manage and complete technically challenging computer vision projects ind clearly communicate concepts, highly complex ideas, and key findings in the orm of technical reports, scientific publications, and oral presentations at elevant technical venues.	0	0	0	0	0
ielect and use programming tools, libraries, and other relevant resources to olve real-world computer vision problems.	0	0	0	0	0
Develop advanced ability to work independently with substantial authority or n team collaboration with professional integrity to complete highly challenging omputer vision projects in a timely manner.	0	0	0	0	0
evelop new knowledge in computer vision that makes students suitable for a ble in academia or industry.	0	0	0	0	0
ractice research ethics and commit to professional responsibilities while onducting cutting edge advancements in computer vision discipline.	0	0	0	0	0
rticulate legal, ethical, environmental, and socio-cultural ramifications of imputer vision technologies, and take a lead in making informed and fair ecisions on complex issues.	0	0	0	0	0
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	Notatall	Alittle	Somewhat	Alot	Completely
Devise cutting-edge NLP algorithms with applications to real-life.	0	0	0	0	0
mplement, evaluate, and benchmark existing state-of-the-art NLP scholarly ublications.	0	0	0	0	0
dentify open research problems, and the gaps in the existing body of nowledge, to formulate high impact research questions.	0	0	0	0	0
ndependently develop innovative solutions, through extensive research and cholarship, to resolve research problems in high-impact real-life applications of NLP.	0	0	0	0	0

	Invent innovative, sustainable, and entrepreneurial state of the art solutions to existing open research problems.	0	0	0	0	$\cap$
	Pursue an NLP project either independently, or as part of a team in a collegial manner, with minimal supervision.	<u> </u>	Ŭ	<u> </u>		
	Initiate, manage, and complete research manuscripts that demonstrate expert self-evaluation and advanced skills in scientifically communicating highly complex ideas.	0	O	O	0	0
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	Program environment					
	To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?*					
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree
	The program provided a stimulating intellectual climate	0	0	0	0	0
	I felt encouraged and supported in my program	0	0	0	0	0
	There was adequate interaction with the faculty	0	0	0	0	0
	The program provided opportunities to improve my teaching skills	0	0	0	0	0
	My skills in critically analyzing $\&$ evaluating findings and results have developed during my program	0	0	0	0	0
	Research facilities were appropriate to my needs and expectations	0	0	0	0	0
	My internship supported my research and learning at MBZUAI	0	0	0	0	0
	Research Supervisory Satisfaction					
	To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? *					
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree
	Overall, I am satisfied with the support and guidance provided by my supervisor for my thesis project.	0	0	0	0	0

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O I will be employed				
Uwill be self-employed				
I will be looking for career opporture	nities			
I will be engaged in further study				
I will be looking for further studies of	opportunities			
Returning to current employer (due	to study leave conditions)			
our status on graduation				
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Where will you be based (or are lookin ou can type: Uncertain/I am still looking	ng to be based)? *			
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Vhat will be your job title?*				
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To what extent will your job be related to the academic field you have studied *
Closely related, I feel confident my skills and experience match the requirements of the job
Somewhat related, but additional training may be required in-house or through external courses
Related, but I am having to learn new technologies, techniques and programs
Not related, there is a definite gap between the skills I acquired at MBZUAI and the opportunity I will be undertaking
☐ I am still looking
In which employment sector will you be working (or are you looking to be employed): *  If "Academia", "Research" or "Other" chosen, please specify
Select 🗸
Comments
Enter text here
What kind of employment contract has you been offered?*
○ Full-time
O Part-time
Contract/project based
O Paid internship
Other
If 'Other' is selected, please add a comment.
What are your agreed working hours?*

	Cess than 8 hours/day
	More than 8 hours/day
	More than 10 hours/day
Responses saved.	Flexible, based on project outcomes
	What is the value of your annual overall package? * (value only, AED equivalent)
	Enter text here
	Why did you choose this job? * Please do not choose more than 3 options
	Location
	Financial package offered
	Aligned with career interests
	Due to internship experience with this company
	Due to the reputation of this company
	Recommended by my network
	Headhunted by the company
	Only opportunity available at this time
	☐ I am still looking
	What was the primary method of finding or researching the job?*
	Please do not choose more than 3 options
	MBZUAI Opportunities Fair
	MBZUAI Student Careers Portal
	MBZUAI Student Opportunities LinkedIn page
	☐ Internship
	LinkedIn

External recruitment		
Company Website		
Headhunted by the company		
☐ Via your network (referral)		
Other		
If 'Other' is selected, please add a comment.		
Your status on graduation  Further study: If you are engaged in or looking for study	opportunities	
Title of program or course * Please state the level and name clearly: e.g., Ph.D. in Machine Lear  Enter text here	ning	
Location of the institution *		
Enter text here		
The name of the institution *		
Reason for choosing or thinking about this progra Please do not choose more than 3 options	n*	

	Related to my career aspirations	
	Related to my MSc or previous studies	
	Recommended by my network	
Responses saved.	Your status on graduation	
	Alumni Involvement	
	In the future, would you be interested in talking to current MBZUAI students about the recruitment process you experienced, your job role and your company? *  If "Yes", enter your Email / Phone Number	
	Select 🗸	
	If 'Yes' is selected, please add a comment.	
	Would you be interested in being an MBZUAI Alumni Mentor (supporting current MBZUAI students)?*	
	Select 🗸	
	Following on from your graduation with MBZUAI, would you be willing for the MBZUAI Marketing and Communications team to interview you to highlight your industry, research or study transition? *  Select	
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I trust the information I receive.

MBZUAI senior leadership is transparent and open.

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Internal Communications						2023-2	.4
How would you agree with the following stateme	ents? *						
	!	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	
I am familiar with MBZUAI's objectives, mission, vision a	and values.	0	0	0	0	0	
I know where to find information about people who wor	k at MBZUAI.	0	0	0	0	0	
I know where to find information about policies and pro- department at MBZUAL.	cesses relating to my	0	0	0	0	0	
I am aware of changes at MBZUAI, such as changes in le objectives or strategy.	adership, people,	0	0	0	0	0	
The communication I receive is relevant to me.		0	0	0	0	0	
The communication I receive is accurate.		0	0	0	0	0	
The communication I receive is timely.		0	0	0	0	0	
The frequency of communication I receive is enough.		0	0	0	0	0	
Management communication							
How would you agree with the following stateme	ents?*						
	Strongly Disagree	Disagre	e	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	
My line manager keeps me informed.	0	0		0	0	0	
My leadership team keeps me informed.	0	0		0	0	0	

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	Channels management
	Which channels do you rely on for news and information about MBZUA!?* Please select all that apply.
✓ Responses saved.	☐ Website
Nesponses savea.	LinkedIn
	Facebook/Instagram
	☐ Internal email
	Let's Get Social weekly newsletter
	☐ The Node quarterly newsletter
	☐ Intranet
	Line manager
	☐ Word of mouth
	Local news media
	Other
	If 'Other' is selected, please add a comment.
	Staff Intranet
	How often do you visit the Staff Intranet?*  Never Monthly Weekly Daily
	How user-friendly do you find it?*
	Not at all
	What is the main reason for your visit? * Select all that apply.
	Staff policies and procedures

	MBZUAI news and events					
	eServices					
	Departmental service request					
Responses saved.	Staff discounts and offers					
	Other					
	If 'Other' is selected, please add a comm	ent.				
	Internal newsletter					
	How often do you read the *					
		Never	Rarely	Occasionally	Frequently	Always
	weekly Let's Get Social newsletter?	0	0	0	0	0
	quarterly The Node newsletter?	0	0	0	0	0
	How relevant/interesting do you fi	and the topics on coverd in the *				
	now relevant/interesting do you in					
		Not at all	Alittle	Fairty	Very	Extremely
	weekly Let's Get Social newsletter?	0	0	0	0	0
	quarterly The Node newsletter?	0	0	0	0	0
	How would you rate the frequency	of circulation of the *				
		Not often enoug	gh .	Just right		Too often
	weekly Let's Get Social newsletter?	0		0		0
	quarterly The Node newsletter?	0		0		0

Senior leadership up	dates					
How aften would you li	ke to hear from senior leadershi	ip about the progress of the or	ganization and projects?*			
✓ Yearly	Quarterly One	nthly Fortnightly	Weekly			
In what format would y Select all that apply.	ou like to receive senior leaders	hip updates?*				•
☐ Written message /	Email All-H	lands event / All-staff town hall	Hybrid majlis / Q&A forum	☐ Video messages		
☐ In-person department	ent meeting					
How well was the infon	mation delivered at last year's A	II Hands end-of-year address?	How useful was it to understand	the progress of the organization?*		
○ Not at all		Fairly 0				
How would you agree v	with the following statements?*	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
I receive timely informatio	n on changes in the organization.	0	0	0	0	0
I feel informed about staff	comings, goings and promotions.	0	0	0	0	0
How do you receive tim  Official email  Director / Line man  Colleague / Word of Other  If 'Other' is selected, please	of mouth	he organization? *				





Recruitment process					2023-24
Please rate your level of satisfaction with the following support fields.*					
	Very satisfied 😜	Satisfied 🤤	Neither 😩	Dissatisfied @	Very dissatisfied 😣
Clarity of the interviewing process.	0	0	0	0	0
Quality of information that was shared with you during the time of the recruitment.	0	0	0	0	0
Availability of the recruitment team to answer your hiring-related queries and clarifications in a timely and quality manner	0	0	0	0	0
Overall, how satisfied were you with the recruitment process?*  Overy satisfied  Satisfied  Neither  Onboarding process	© Dissa	tisfied 💿 🚫 Very	y dissatisfied 😣		
Please rate your level of satisfaction with the following support fields. *					
	Very satisfied 😜	Satisfied 🥯	Neither 😀	Dissatisfied @	Very dissatisfied 😣
Clarity of the onboarding process.	0	0	0	0	0
Quality of information that was shared with you during the time of the onboarding.	0	0	0	0	0
Availability of the HR team to answer your employment-related queries and clarifications in a timely and quality manner	0	0	0	0	0
Overall, how satisfied were you with the onboarding process?  Very satisfied   Neither	© Dissa	tisfied 😳 🕒 Very	y dissatisfied 😣		

Do you have any comments you would like to share with us regarding your recruitment and/or onboarding experience?

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u are welcome to provide additional comments or reco		D	N. W.	•	IP. II.
	Highly disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Highly agree
m satisfied with the academic policies.	0	0	0	0	0
e research facilities are satisfactory.	0	0	0	0	0
e promotion policy is satisfactory.	0	0	0	0	0
ne teaching load is satisfactory.	0	0	0	0	0
ne working environment is satisfactory.	0	0	0	0	0
ne library is well-equipped.	0	0	0	0	0
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Onboarding & Engagement (section 1/5)	2023-2	4
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How would you rate the suppor	offered by MR7HALin	the following senects of	fvour onboarding evnerience?*
How would you rate the suppor	t omered by MBZUALII	i the following aspects o	r vour onboarding expenience:

You are welcome to provide comments for the individual services, experience and facilities offered at MBZUAI here, or in general terms in the next question.

		Comments					
	Very satisfied 🙄	Satisfied 😌	Neither 😩	Dissatisfied 😳	Very dissatisfied 😣	Not applicable	
Flightarrangement	0	0	0	0	0	0	Enter text here
Student ID	0	0	0	0	0	0	Enter text here
Medical check-ups	0	0	0	0	0	0	Enter text here
Emirates ID	0	0	0	0	0	0	Enter text here
Living arrangementa	0	0	0	0	0	0	Enter text here
Room deanliness	0	0	0	0	0	0	Enter text here
Laundry facilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	Enter text here
Online engagement plans	0	0	0	0	0	0	Enter text here
Orientation structure and content	0	0	0	0	0	0	Enter text here

Is there anything else you would like to share about your level of satisfaction with your onboarding experience?

Enter text here...

## General motivation (section 2/5)

How did each of the following motivate you to attend graduate school?\*

Please select all that apply.

None	Low motivation	Moderate motivation	High motivation		
0	0	0	0	Contribute to knowledge	
0	0	0	0	Become an expert in a research area	✓ Responses saved.
0	0	0	0	ntellectual stimulation	
0	0	0	0	ransferrable skills	
0	0	0	0	Unsuccessful job search	
0	0	0	0	Pursuit of more education is always better	
0	0	0	0	Passion about a subject matter	
0	0	0	0	ncreased opportunities for promotion add/or career advancement	
0	0	0	0	Earning following potential graduation	
0	0	0	0	Continued professional development	
0	0	0	0	Networking opportunities	
			enced your decision to attend MBZUAI	Please select up to five (5) statements below which most influ	
	University Research group	iculty	prospective students	Financial award package Current or	
	International experience/environment	nployment consideration	Er	☐ AI-focused program(s) ☐ Reputatio	
			tting	☐ Class size ☐ Campus se	
				Admissions (section 3/5)	
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		oplied for admission, excluding MBZ use acronyms for either field, or specific college		this format: Mohamed bin Zayed University of Ar	tificial Intelligence - United Arab Emirates.
Enter text here					
How many admission offers hav	ve you received?*				
0					
fluence to attend MBZUA	I (section 4/5)				
ow did each of the following fa	actors related to EQUIPMENT and	d FACILITIES influence your decisio	n to attend MBZUAI?*		
	High motivation	Moderate mod	tivation	Low motivation	None
search facilities	0	0		0	0
ademic facilities	0	0		0	0
equipment	0	0		0	0
ow did each of the following fa	actors related to FACULTY influer	nce your decision to attend MBZUA			
		High motivation	Moderate motivation	Low motivation	None
culty research interests		0	0	0	0
cessibility of faculty		0	0	0	0
ell-recognized faculty		0	0	0	0
portunity to work directly with fa	aculty on research projects	0	0	0	0
oportunity to publish with faculty		0	0	0	0
now people who studied/published	d/worked with faculty member(s)	0	0	0	0

Viewed presentations/lectures b	raculty member(s)				
Read/used textbook(s) by faculty	member(s)	0	0	0	0
		0	0	0	0
Read research papers by faculty i	nember(s)	0	0	0	0
Teaching quality of faculty					
International diversity of faculty		0	0	0	0
Size of faculty		0	0	0	0
,		0	0	0	0
How did each of the following	g factors related to PROGRAMS influ	ence your decision to attend MBZUA	?*		
	High motivation	Moderate motiva	tion	Low motivation	None
Program offering	0	0		0	$\circ$
Students-faculty ratio	0	0		0	0
Financial award package	0	0		0	0
Class size	0	0		0	0
Interdisciplinary work	0	0		0	0
How did each of the following	g factors related to REPUTATION infl	uence your decision to attend MBZU/	AI?*		
How did each of the following	g factors related to REPUTATION infl High motivation	uence your decision to attend MBZU		Low motivation	None
			notivation	Low motivation	None
Ranking	High motivation	Moderate n	notivation		
How did each of the following Ranking Advisor recommendation Family recommendation	High motivation	Moderate m	notivation	0	0

✓ Responses save

Partnerships with industry players

	0	0	0	0					
How did each of the following factors rel	How did each of the following factors related to CAREER PROSPECTS influence your decision to attend MBZUAI?*								
3	High motivation	Moderate motivation	Low motivation	None					
Career services offered to Alumni	0	0	0	0					
Career services offered as a student	0	0	0	0					
MBZUAI's connection to government entities	0	0	0	0					
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How did each of the following factors rel		influence your decision to attend MBZUAI?*		N					
	High motivation	Moderate motivation	Low motivation	None					
Weather	0	0	0	0					
Proximity to family	0	0	0	0					
Employment opportunities for significant other	· O	0	0	0					
Education opportunities for significant other	0	0	0	0					
Recreational opportunities	0	0	0	0					
International diversity	0	0	0	0					
Cultural alignment with home region/country	0	0	0	0					
Healthcare provided	0	0	0	0					
Sustainable approach of Masdar City	0	0	0	0					
Tourism/evens in Abu Dhabi	0	0	0	0					
Cosmopolitan lifestyle of Abu Dhabi	0	0	0	0					

Enter text here							
Vere there any concern	ns or barriers that yo	u had before deciding to come to N	1BZUAI? Please select up to	o three (3). *			
Being away from hor	me/different city						
Worried about a nev	w institution without hi	story					
Outside of CSRankir	ngs, MBZUAI is not feat	ured in University World Rankings					
Expenses and living	standards						
Quality of education	n/research						
Other							
		? Please select all that apply. *					
		? Please select all that apply. *	☐ My own resear	rch	Academic advisor		
low did you initially find	d out about MBZUAI				Academic advisor  Social media		
Faculty	d out about MBZUAI	Friends		rch publication page			
low did you initially find Faculty Recruitment/career	d out about MBZUAI	☐ Friends ☐ Conference ☐ Graduate school	Ranking/resea	rch publication page			
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Snapchat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TikTok	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Forums (e.g., Reddit)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Weibo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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What did you expect to b	be the primary source of fina			○ Employer	Family support	Loans	
Government  Are you open to being co	Fellowships/s	scholarships Per	rsonal earnings (	○ Employer nore details (and/or commer	Family support		
Are you open to being co	Fellowships/s	scholarships Per	rsonal earnings (				rey? *



Student Satisfaction					2023-24
Overall, how satisfied are you with yo	ur overall experience at MBZUA	N?*			
Very dissatisfied 🚇	Dissatisfied 😩 🕒 Ne	eutral 😀 Satisfied	Very satisfied 😂		
Is there anything you would like to sha	are in support of your score, wh	ich could help us support your experi	ience at MBZUAI to the best of our a	bility?	
You will have the opportunity to share feedback or Enter text here	n specific services, experiences and facilitic	es offered at MBZUAI in the next sections, but yo	ou are welcome to discuss your concerns as in-dep	oth as you wish.	
Educational experience					
How would you rate the following asp	ects of your educational experi	ence?*			
	Poor 😩	Fair 😩	Good 🥯	Very good 🤤	Excellent 🥞
Quality of teaching from faculty	0	0	0	0	0
Course availability	0	0	0	0	0
Access to teaching faculty	0	0	0	0	0
Fellow students' academic ability	0	0	0	0	0
Academic reputation of MBZUAI	0	0	0	0	0
Is there anything else you'd like to sha	re about your level of satisfaction	on with your educational experience	?		
Litter text nere					
Registrar's Office					
How would you rate the following asp	ects of vour experience with th	e Registrar's office?*			

				Good 🤤	Very good 😂	Excellent 🤩	Not applicable
Ease of access to their services, both in person	and through online channels	0	0	0	0	0	0
Helpfulness in solving difficulties with registrat	tion	0	0	0	0	0	0
Did you manage to register for all of your If you could not, please provide us more details so we could be yet as the yet of the yet							
What additional services or support wou  Enter text here  University services and facilities	ld you like to see from the Regist	rar's Office to better	r meet your needs?				
How would you rate the following service	es/facilities at the university?*						
How would you rate the following service	es/facilities at the university?* Poor 😩	Fair	9	Good ⊜	Very good 6	9	Excellent 💆
How would you rate the following service  Campus location and facilities		Fair		Good 😇	Very good (	9	Excellent 💆
	Poor 😂	_	)	_	_	•	
Campus location and facilities	Poor 😂	0		0	0	2	0
Campus location and facilities  Class and laboratory facilities	Poor 🖴	0		0	0		0
Campus location and facilities  Class and laboratory facilities  Career services and internships support	Poor 🖴	0		0	0		0
Campus location and facilities  Class and laboratory facilities  Career services and internships support  Library services	Poor 😩	0		0 0	0 0		0 0

itudent life					
low would you rate the following	aspects of student life at the univer	sity?*			
	Poor 😩	Fair 🔐	Good ⊜	Very good ⊜	Excellent 🤩
port and recreational facilities	0	0	0	0	0
lubs and students' organisations	0	0	0	0	0
tudent diversity	0	0	0	0	0
Campus and student safety	0	0	0	0	0
extracurricular activities	0	0	0	0	0

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