

The History of Ferdowsi University of Mashhad

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The first proposal for launching Ferdowsi University of Mashhad was announced concurrently with the establishment of Tehran University in 1934. However the first step was the opening of the higher Institute of Public Health rather than Medical School in 1949. Shortly after the institute had admitted its first medical students, in December 1949 this institute was officially inaugurated as the first Center for Medical Science in North-East Iran, by the Minister of culture, the late Dr. Zanganeh. Finally in 1956 after the foundation of the faculties of literature and Theology, the complex was named "Mashhad University" and in 1957. The rules and regulations for employment and education in this new university were conducted according to those of Tehran University.

Since then other faculties were gradually added according to the local demands; the Faculty of Science (1961), the Faculty of Education, Faculty of Agriculture (1973), the Faculty of Engineering (1975), the Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences (1987), the Faculty of Veterinary (1991), the Faculty of Mathematics (1996), the Faculty of Architecture, the Faculty of Urbanism and Islamic Arts, and the Faculty of Natural Resources and Environment (2001). In 1975 after the separation of Medical Sciences from the university, "Mashhad University" was renamed to "Ferdowsi University of Mashhad".

Ferdowsi University of Mashhad has now nearly seven decades of brilliant educational, research and cultural history and is well known among higher education institutes in Iran. It is currently one of the nation's top three universities and also the largest center of higher education in North-East of Iran.

At present, Ferdowsi University of Mashhad is composed of 12 faculties, 38 research centers, 7 centers of excellence, 820 faculty members (%50 of whom are professors or associate professors), over 20000 students (9996 undergraduate, 6143 Masters, and 3905 Ph.D. students), and 1050 Ferdowsi staffs.

Currently, 1279 foreign students are enrolled in different academic courses at Ferdowsi University of Mashhad. In addition, there are also 187 foreign students who are passing their six-month training courses in language at the International Center for Teaching Persian to Non-Persian Speakers. These students would begin their academic education when they pass this six-month course.

University Honors

Honorable persons

Dr. Ali Shariati, distinguished faculty member of History Professor Mohammad Taghi Fatemi, Professor of Mathematics Dr. Ali Akbar Fayyaz, Professor of Persian Language and Literature Dr. Gholam Hossein Yousefi, Professor of Persian Language and Literature Dr. Sayyed Jalal al-Din Ashtiyani, Professor of Islamic Philosophy Dr. Kazem Modir-shanechi, Professor of Quranic Sciences and Hadith Dr. Mohammad Vaezzadeh, Professor of Quranic Sciences and Hadith

University Distinguished Professors

Late Dr. Hossein Razmjoo, Department of Persian Language and Literature Late Dr. Mohammad Ali Rajaei Bokharaee, Department of Persian Language and Literature Late Dr. Lotf-Allah Mafakham Payan, Department of Geography Late Dr. Sayyed Mohammad Taghi Edalati Sharbaf, Department of Physics Late Javvad Hadidi, Department of French Language and Literature Dr. Sayyed Mohammad Alavi Moghaddam, Department of Persian Language and Literature Dr. Rampoor Sadr Nabavi, Department of Social Sciences Dr. Afzal Forooghi, Department of French Language and Literature Dr. Rahmatollah Fattahi, Department of Information Sciences and Knowledge Studies Dr. Gholam-Hossein Haghniya, Department of Soil sciences Dr. Elaheh Kafshdar Goharshadi, Department of Chemistry Dr. Mohammad Sal Moslehiyan, Department of Pure Mathematics Dr. Mohammad-Reza Taraghiyan, Department of Applied Mathematics Dr. Naser-Reza Arghami, Department of Applied Mathematics

Education

Winner of the National Award for Outstanding Student by a student from Ferdowsi University of Mashhad, August 2015
Achieving the first rank in National Nano Competition of Iran at the Bachelor level, September, 2015
The best Award winner poster at the International Conference on Nano in Mashhad, June, 2015
Award winner of two bronze medals at the Chemistry Olympiad in the 20th Scientific Student Olympiad, August, 2015
Achieving the first rank National Sheikh-Bahai Techno-preneurship Festival, May, 2015
Achieving the second rank in 16th National Statistics Studentsâ€™ Competition by the studentsâ€™ team of the Faculty of Mathematics, September, 2015
Achieving the first rank at the National Robotic Competition by the robotic team of Engineering Faculty, September, 2015
Achieving the third rank at the 19th Student Scientific Olympiad, September, 2014
Achieving the third rank in practical projects of Khwarizmi International Awards, 2014
Achieving the First and the second rank in Robotic League, March, 2014
Achieving the first rank at the 19th National Chemistry Olympiad, August, 2014
Achieving the second rank at the 19th Scientific Student Olympiad, September, 2014
Award winner of the best doctoral thesis, September, 2013
Achieving the first and the third ranks at the 18th Scientific Student Olympiad, October, 2013

Research

Achieving the Rank 3 in Iran, 95th in Asia, 455th in world based on 4ICU Ranking, 2015
Award winner of Dehkoda Medal for 2 faculty members of Ferdowsi University of Mashhad, December, 2015
Ferdowsi University of Mashhad ranked in the top one percent of the world's influential universities, July, 2015
Developing the technical knowledge of reproducing one of the world's top five flowers by researchers, August, 2015
Acknowledging two faculty member of the Department of Chemistry as Iran's prominent chemists, September, 2015
Achieving the third and the fourth ranks in modern languages and chemical engineering based on QS ranking 2014
Achieving the sixth rank among universities affiliated to the Ministry of Science based on URAP ranking system, 2014
October, 2013
December, 2013

Research and Technology

March, 2016

January, 2016

June, 2015

May, 2015 Achieving the First rank at the Web Iran Festival, December, 2015 Achieving the second national rank in the Web page size index based on SCIMAGO, 2014 Achieving the third rank at 4th Communication and Technology Festival in the field of Information, May, 2014 August, 2015

Culture and Sport

Achieving Championship at 13th Male Cultural-sport Olympiad, September, 2016 Achieving the second rank at 13th Female Cultural-sport Olympiad, September, 2016 September, 2015

March, 2016

June, 2015

April, 2015 Achieving the championship at 12th Male Cultural-sport Olympiad, September, 2014 Achieving the second rank at 12th Female Cultural-sport Olympiad, September, 2014 Achieving the first rank in cultural activities of Iran universities, 2013 Achieving the 11th top ranks in Quran competitions of region 3, May, 2013 October, 2013 Achieving the 5 top ranks at the Khwarizmi Festival in the field of student press, May, 2013 Achieving the 4 top ranks at the 7th international Festivals of Press and News agencies, May, 2013 Achieving the 4 top ranks at the Quran competitions of faculty members, July, 2013 Winner of 9 top titles for Art and Cultural Centers at Ferdowsi University of Mashhad, March 15, 2013 Winner of 8 top titles at Motion Festival, December, 2011 Achieving the third rank at the Students' National Quran Competition, May, 2011