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His Majesty Sultan Qaboos bin Saeed,
may God place his soul in peace

His Majesty Sultan Haitham bin Tareq,
may God bless him

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Introduction

The Sultanate of Oman Programme for Cultural and Scientific Cooperation involves a cooperation with countries that have a friendly relation with the Sultanate of Oman.

The programme provides grants covering the tuition fees only of higher undergraduate studies for qualified students they have been residing in the Sultanate of Oman and completed grade **12** or year **13** at one of the Government or private schools in the Sultanate.

This programme offers scholarships to study at the University of Technology and Applied Sciences, one of the Government higher education institutions.

This guide aims to provide information about the terms & conditions, how to make a competitive application by the relevant deadlines, eligibility criteria and how to accept an offer of a place.

We wish you the best of luck.

The Higher Education Admission Center - HEAC

THE SULTANATE OF OMAN PROGRAMME FOR CULTURAL AND SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION: TERMS & CONDITIONS

1- Be a citizen of the one of the countries that have a diplomatic relationship with the Sultanate.

2-Have been residing in the Sultanate for a continuous period of not less than one academic year.

3-Have obtained a general education diploma (GED) or its equivalent from an Omani school or an international school in the Sultanate.

4-Have a general education diploma or its equivalent for the current school year 2022/2023 (recent graduate).

5-Not be older than 25 years old or younger than 16 years by the 1st of October in the current school year and should have been born after 01/10/1998 .

6-Meet the terms & conditions for making a competitive application to the programme as stated in the section comprising courses and criteria.

7-Submit an equivalency certificate issued by the Ministry of Education in the Sultanate in case the student is a holder of an international school qualification. (If competitively selected) abide by the rules and regulations in force in the Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation in the Sultanate of Oman.

Note

Non-Omani applicants who are born to an Omani mother and a non-Omani father can register and compete in the other programme as Omani applicants.

ONLINE REGISTRATION: INFORMATION AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

FIRST: NON-OMANI STUDENTS STUDYING AT OMAN GOVERNMENT OR PRIVATE BILINGUAL SCHOOLS.

-The HEAC receives information about applicants who graduated from Oman Government and bilingual schools through the Ministry of Education.
Therefore, while registering online, they must ensure that their personal details are accurate and up-to-date.
-In the event of any error or update, these applicants should refer to the The Center of Educational Assessment and Measurement at the Ministry of Education to make the necessary changes in their personal details.

SECOND: NON-OMANI STUDENTS STUDYING AT INTERNATIONAL (COMMUNITY)SCHOOLS.

These applicants must provide their personal data and final grades during online registration using the HEAC portal and they must upload the following supporting documents by the relevant deadline.
1- A copy of the equivalent certificate for the General Education Diploma.
issued by the Ministry of Education for international qualification holders.
2-A copy of the school certificate and transcrip.
3-A copy of their valid residence (ID) card.

CALCULATION OF THE COMPETITIVE SCORE (GRADE)

The competitive score is the criterion that defines an applicant position in the list of eligible candidates, based on the average of their achieved grades during the General Education Diploma or equivalent exams, as well as the grades in required subjects. The competitive score of an applicant may vary from one scholarship programme to another depending on their grades in the subjects deemed essential to the course(s) covered by the scholarship.

To calculate your competitive score, use the following criterion as a guideline:

Competitive score = (Total sum of grades in required subjects) X 60% or 0.06 +(Total sum of grades of all subjects taken by a student) X 40% or 0.04

REGISTRATION AND ADMISSIONS TIMELINE

N	*STAGE OF THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS*	*INFORMATION*	*APPOINTMENT*	
			START DATE	*DEADLINE*
1	*ONLINE REGISTRATION*	Online Registration using HEAC's electronic System	24 July 2023	17 August 2023
2		Enter selected scholarship programmes		
3		Upload the supporting documents by applicants who graduated from community (international) schools		
4	*ADMISSION*	Announcement of Allocation of Places on scholarship programmes by HEAC's system	24 August 2023	
5		Acceptance of offers of a place and completion of registration procedures at the concerned institutions	27 August 2023	31 August 2023

Note

These deadlines might subject to change. Please regularly check the HEAC website for the most up-to-date information.

· In order to register as an applicant with HEAC, you have to login to HEAC's website (www.heac.gov.om) and create an account by getting a username and password during the period from 24 July - 17 August 2023.

· All applicants must register and select options during the specified period and they have to meet the registration deadline.

· Applicants should check their personal and contact information, such as name, date of birth, gender, national civil number, etc., etc.

· Students have the responsibility to ensure that the personal data HEAC processes is accurate.

· If students spot any error(s) with their personal details, they should contact the Directorate Center of Educational Assessment and Measurement at the Ministry of Education on one of the following numbers: (24253895 - 24255760 - 24245831 - 24255745 - 24255141 - 24253711).

· Complete your registration by providing all required information and details and make sure that you provide your correct mobile number(s) and e-mail address which would enable HEAC to contact you regarding an offer of place.

· It is necessary to provide HEAC with your correct mobile number and email address to receive important messages from HEAC.

· Higher education institutions and the Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation set the standard requirements or criteria for each scholarship programme.

· You should carefully read these requirements before applying for a specific programme and ensure that you met or are likely to meet the standard requirements for that programme.

· You should rank your programmes in order of personal preference. The HEAC system has been designed to competitively shortlist applicants for one of their preferred options.

· You are advised to apply for the maximum number of preferred programmes for which you are deemed eligible, and not just limit your options to scholarship programmes with higher or competitive requirements as this would also limit your chances of being competitively selected for an offer of place by HEAC's electronic system.

GUIDE TO APPLICATION AND ADMISSIONS PROCEDURES

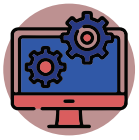
1 REGISTER ONLINE BY CREATING AN ACCOUNT ON HEAC'S ONLINE REGISTRATION WEBSITE

2 CLICK ON 'PROGRAMME FOR CULTURAL AND SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION THEN CLICK ON NEW REGISTER

3 SELECT 'STUDY IN OMAN' FOLLOWED BY YOUR TYPE OF QUALIFICATION THEN INSERT YOUR ID AND SEAT NUMBER

4 MAKE SURE YOUR PERSONAL DETAILS ARE ACCURATE, COMPLETE AND UP- TO -DATE

5 SAVE AND MANAGE YOUR PASSWORD



6 LOGIN TO YOUR ACCOUNT BY USING YOUR USERNAME AND PASSWORD AND ADD OPTIONS TO YOUR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

7 LIST YOUR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMMES IN ORDER OF PERSONAL PREFERENCE AND CLICK ON 'SAVE '

8 SCHOLARSHIPS FOR WHICH YOU ARE NOT DEEMED ELIGIBLE TO APPLY WILL BE MARKED IN RED

9 REMOVE ALL OPTIONS MARKED IN RED AND CLICK ON 'SAVE '

10 LOG OUT AND LOGIN AGAIN TO CHECK YOU SUCCESFULLY COMPLETED THE REGISTRATION PROCESS

ALLOCATION OF PLACES ON SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMMES

Upon completion of the registration and entering your options (programmes), the HEAC system will sort all programmes as per your list of options.

Places are allocated and offered to applicants according to the "order of merit list": this means that a number of eligible applicants will be offered the option of their highest personal preference depending on their school grades, admissions requirements, the number of other competitive candidates and the number of available places available for that particular scholarship programme.

Applicants who have been offered a place will receive an SMS on the mobile number (they used to register with HEAC) on the day of the announcement of allocation results. The messages will show the students' (Civil ID number) and the code of the programme for which they have been competitively selected.

Please note that SMS is a supporting service and the HEAC is not responsible in case the student does not receive the message. Student has to check the HEAC website to check the programme for which they have been competitively selected.

You will be given a period of time to accept or decline the offer (you have to accept or register during the specified period of time). If the HEAC system does not receive your reply before 02.00 pm (local time in Oman) on the last day based on the relevant deadline, you will lose your offer of a place and it will automatically be awarded to another qualified applicant on the waiting list and you will have no right to reclaim the offer of place at any given point in time.

If you wish to accept an offer of a place, you should complete one of the following two steps:

1-You may accept an offer online through HEAC website **www.heac.gov.om**

2- Alternatively, you may also accept an offer by sending an **SMS** message to **(90190)** containing the letter **(A)** followed by your HEAC number (password).

You will then receive a text message, confirming that your acceptance of your offer of a place has been received. The message will say: **"your acceptance of the offer is successful Please complete the registration procedure at the accepted institution within the specified period".**

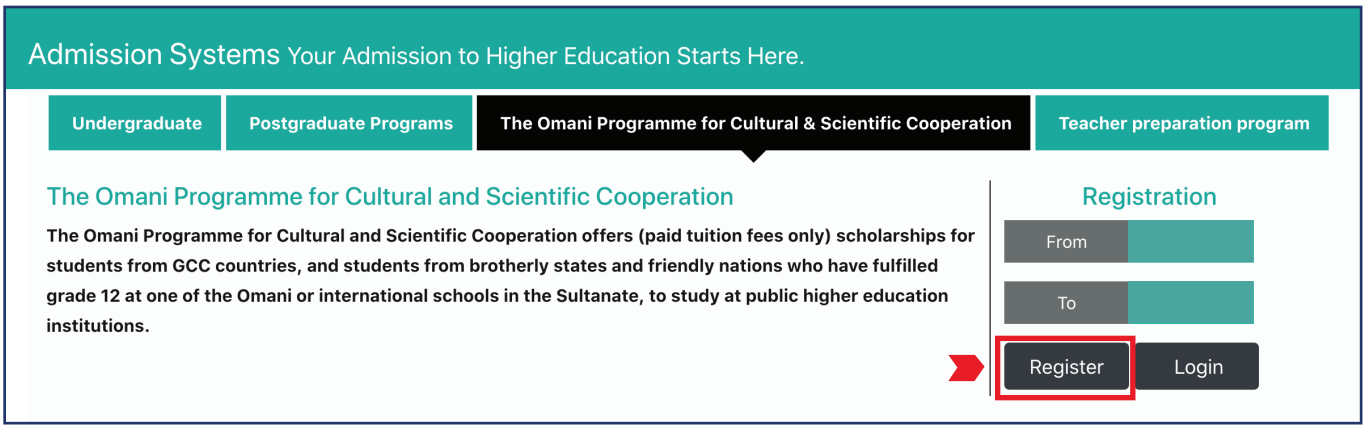
3- If you did not receive such message within half an hour after completion of one the abovementioned two steps, then you must visit the HEAC website to check if the acceptance of your offer confirmed.

- Completing Registration Procedures

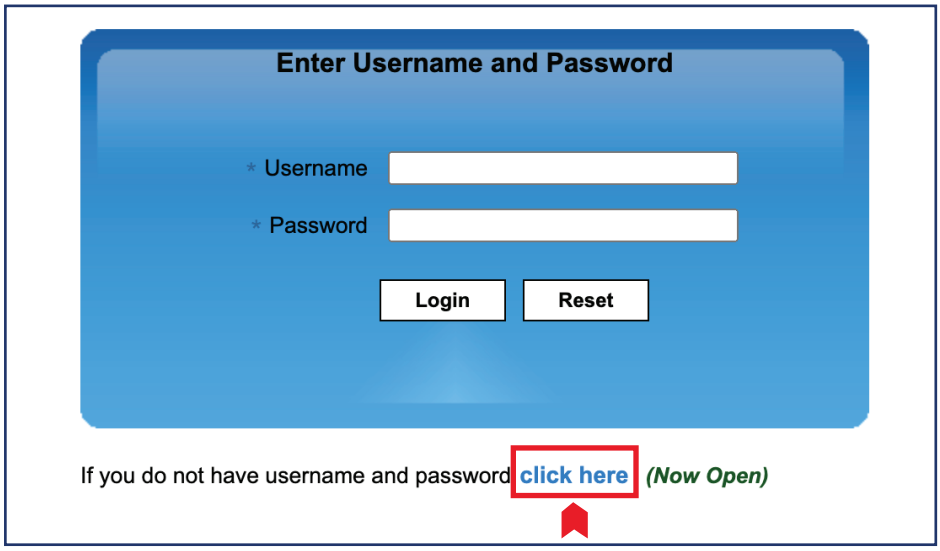
HEIs	WEBSITE TO COMPLETE ONLINE REGISTRATION PROCEDURES
UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY & APPLIED SCIENCES	Online portal **https://newstd.utas.edu.om**

ONLINE REGISTRATION: HEAC WEBSITE SCREENSHOTS TO HELP EXPLAIN THE PROCESS

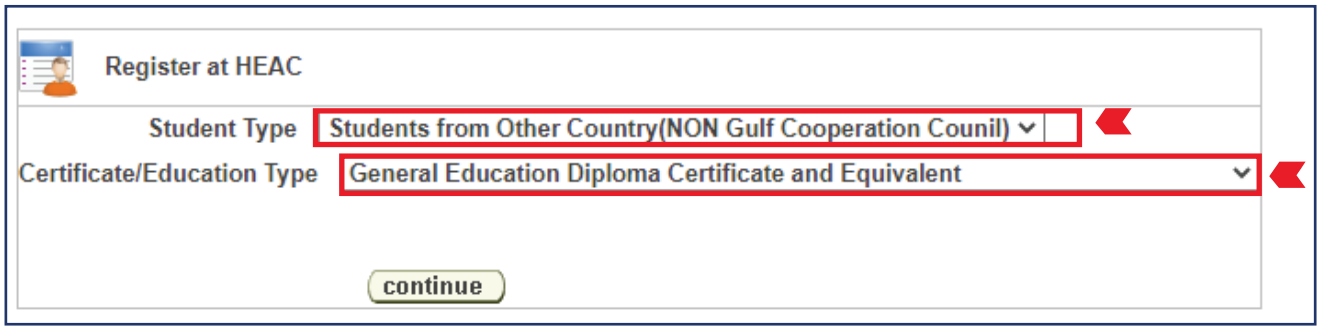
1- Login to your account on the HEAC website by visiting: www.heac.gov.om
2-Click on the icon The Oman Programme for Culture and Scientific Cooperation.
3-Click on the icon Registration.



THE SCREEN BELOW WILL APPEAR, CLICK ON 'CLICK HERE' IF YOU DID NOT YET CREATE A USERNAME AND PASSWORD.

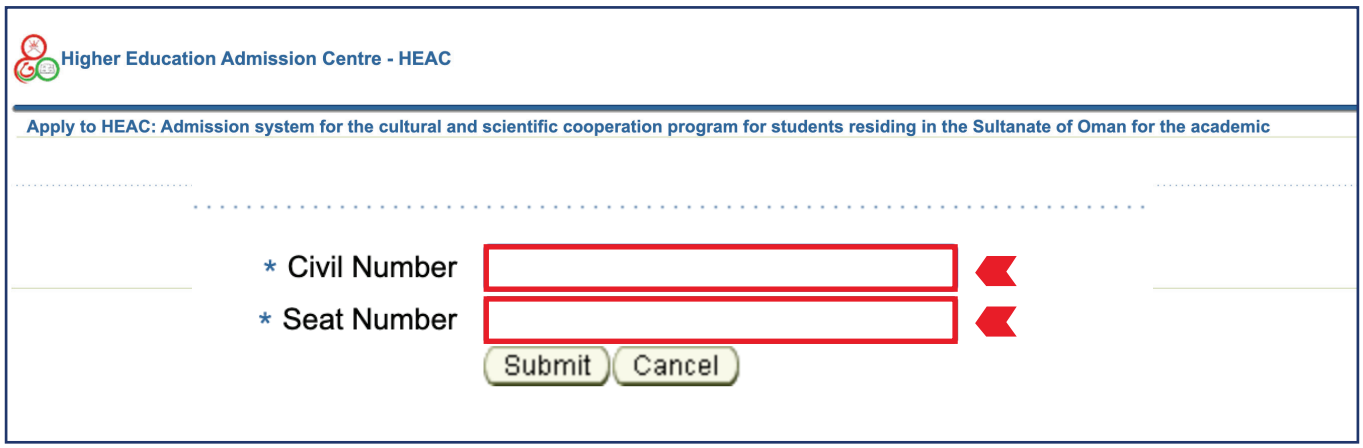


SCREENSHOT OF THE STANDARD REGISTRATION FORM

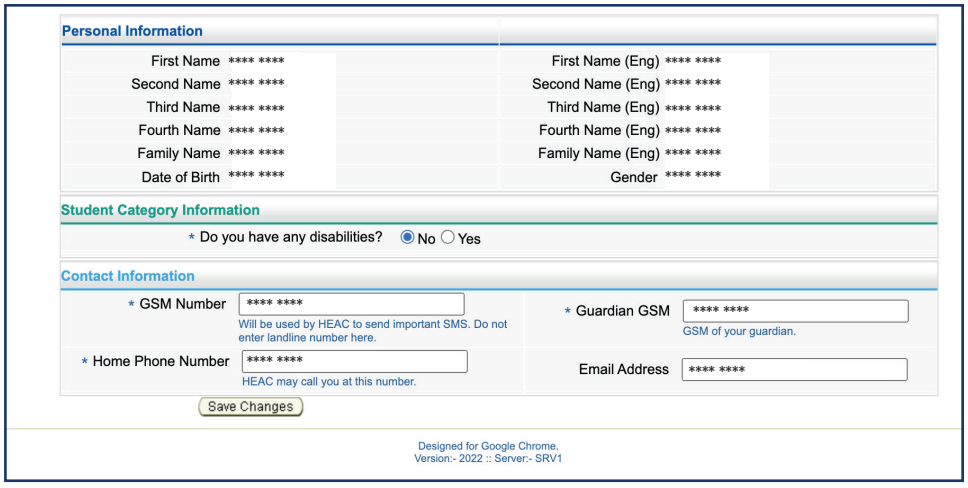


ONLINE REGISTRATION: HEAC WEBSITE SCREENSHOTS TO HELP EXPLAIN THE PROCESS

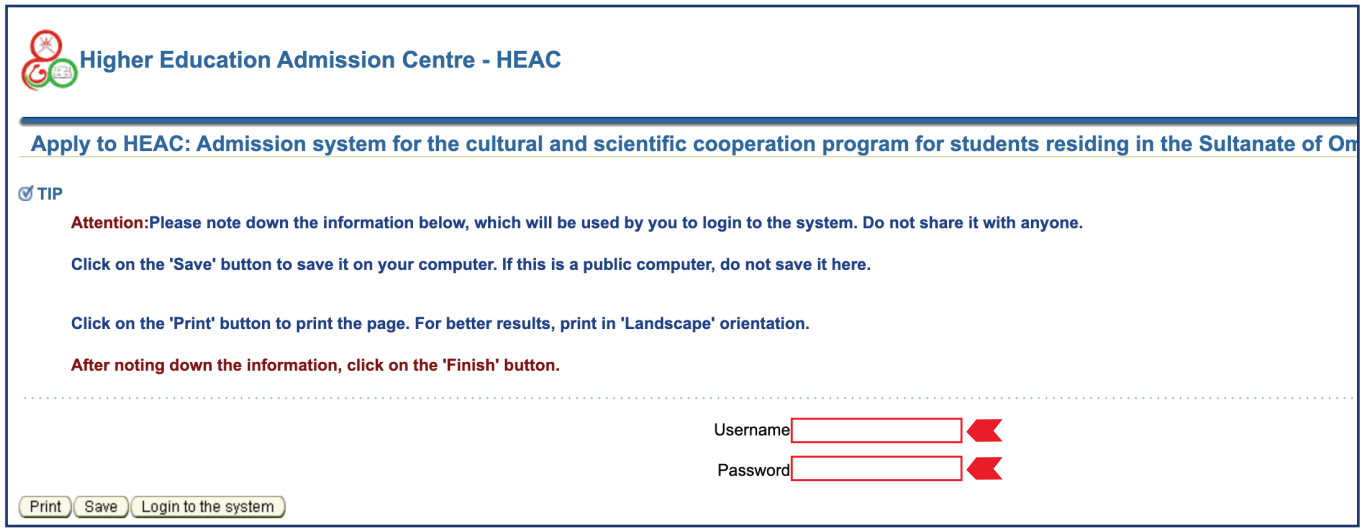
INSERT YOUR CIVIL ID NUMBER AND SEAT NUMBER



YOUR PERSONAL DETAILS WILL APPEAR AS PROVIDED BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION – PLEASE CHECK AND COMPLETE THE REQUIRED PERSONAL DETAILS.



YOU WILL RECEIVE A USERNAME AND PASSWORD



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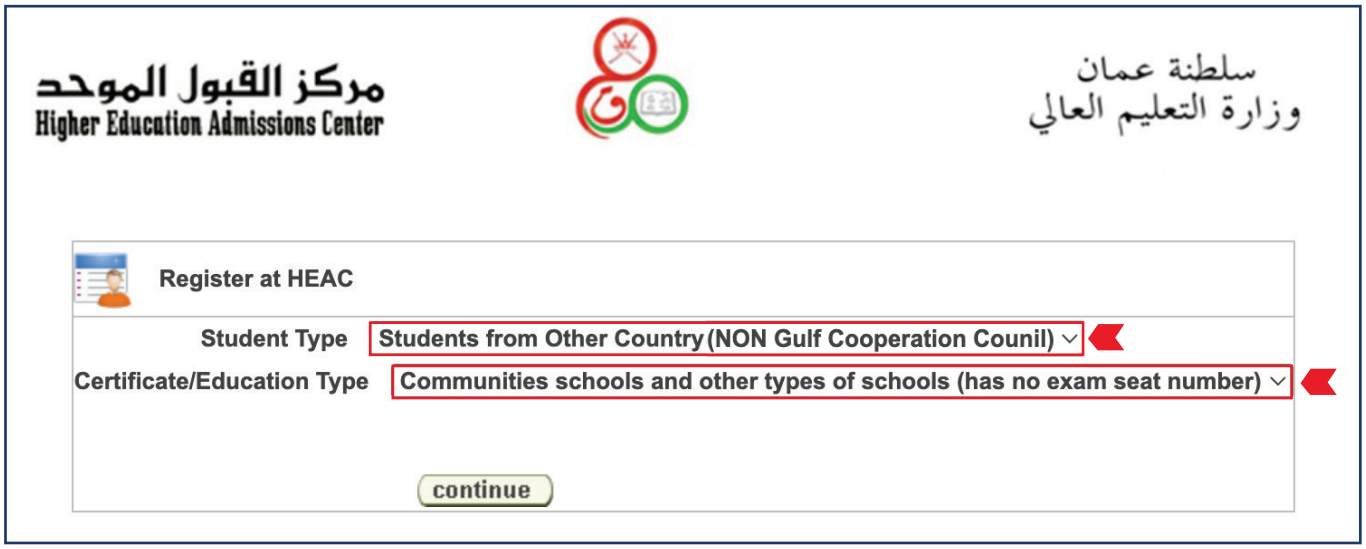
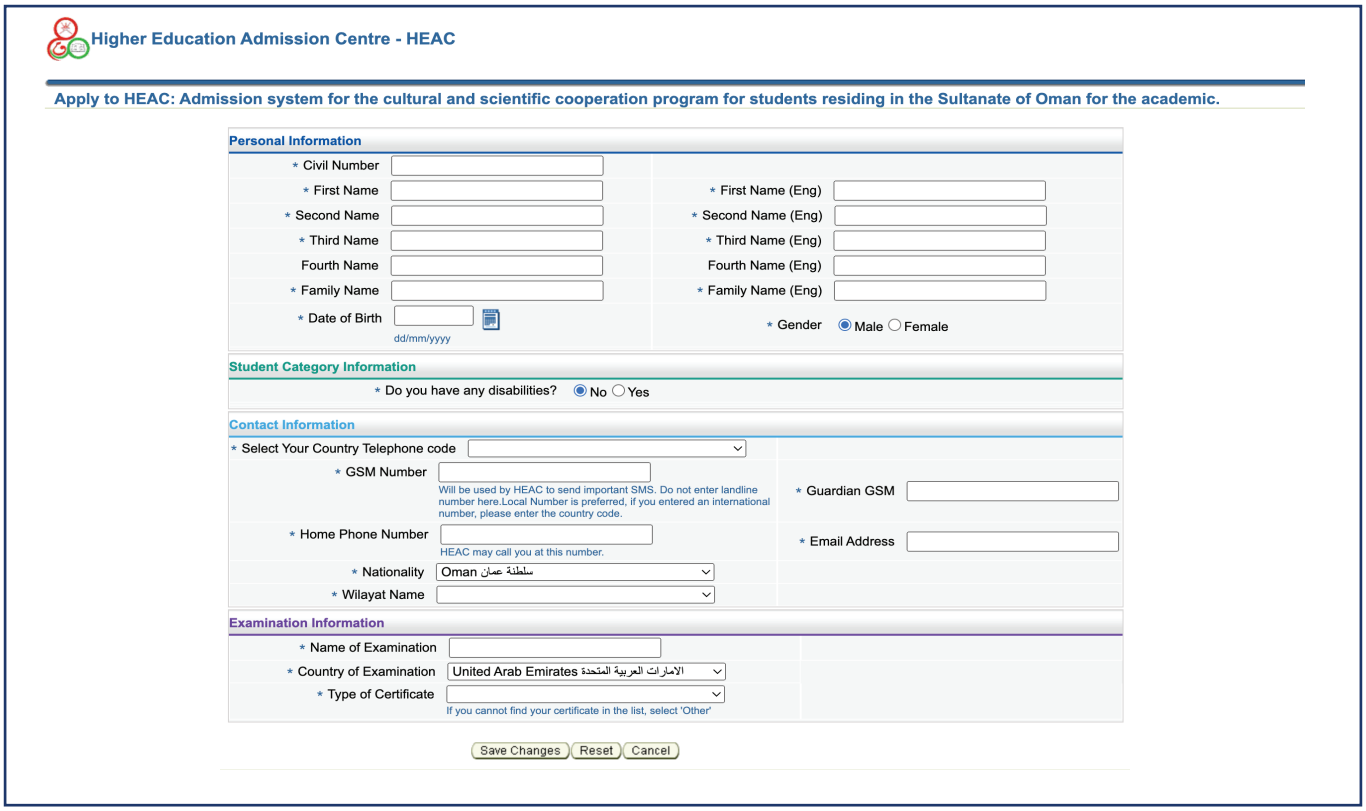
REGISTRATION FORM FOR APPLICANTS WHO DO NOT HAVE A SEAT NUMBER - SCREENSHOT



STUDENTS WHO DO NOT HAVE A SEAT NUMBER, ARE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE ALL ESSENTIAL INFORMATION



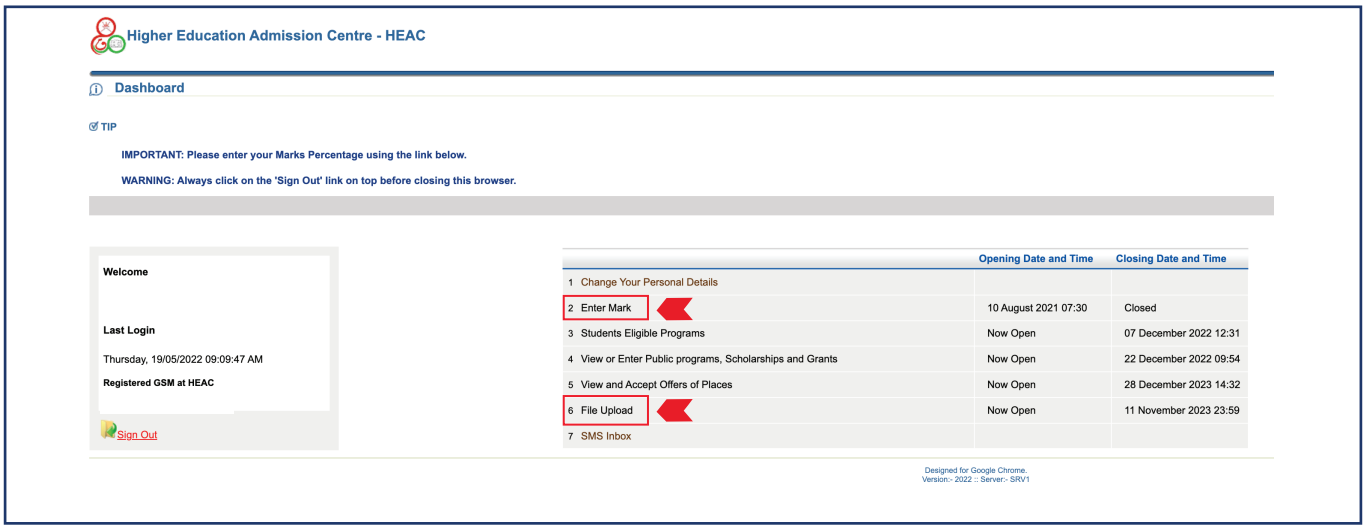
After you provided all required personal details and pressed the **'Save'** button, your username and password will show.

ONLINE REGISTRATION: HEAC WEBSITE SCREENSHOTS TO HELP EXPLAIN THE PROCESS

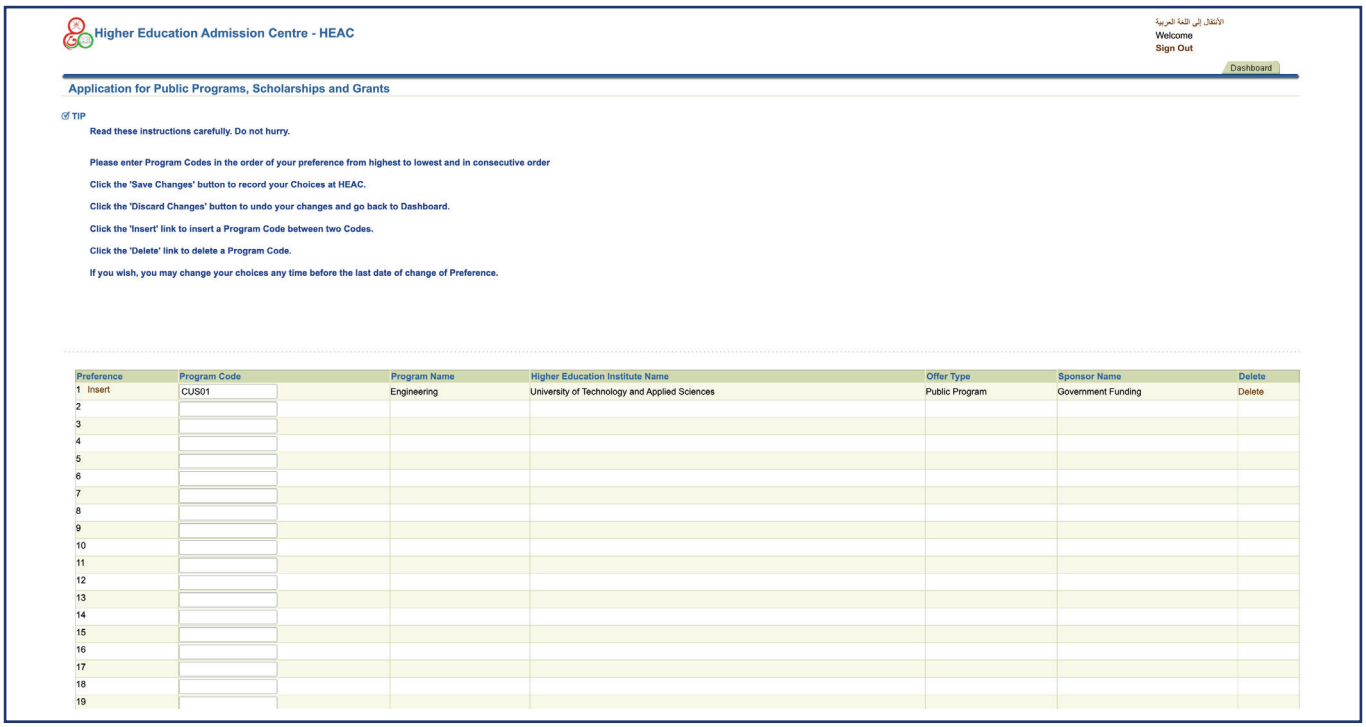
DASHBOARD - SCREENSHOT

1-Applicants who studied at community (international) schools, have to provide their school subjects and grades **(step 2)**.

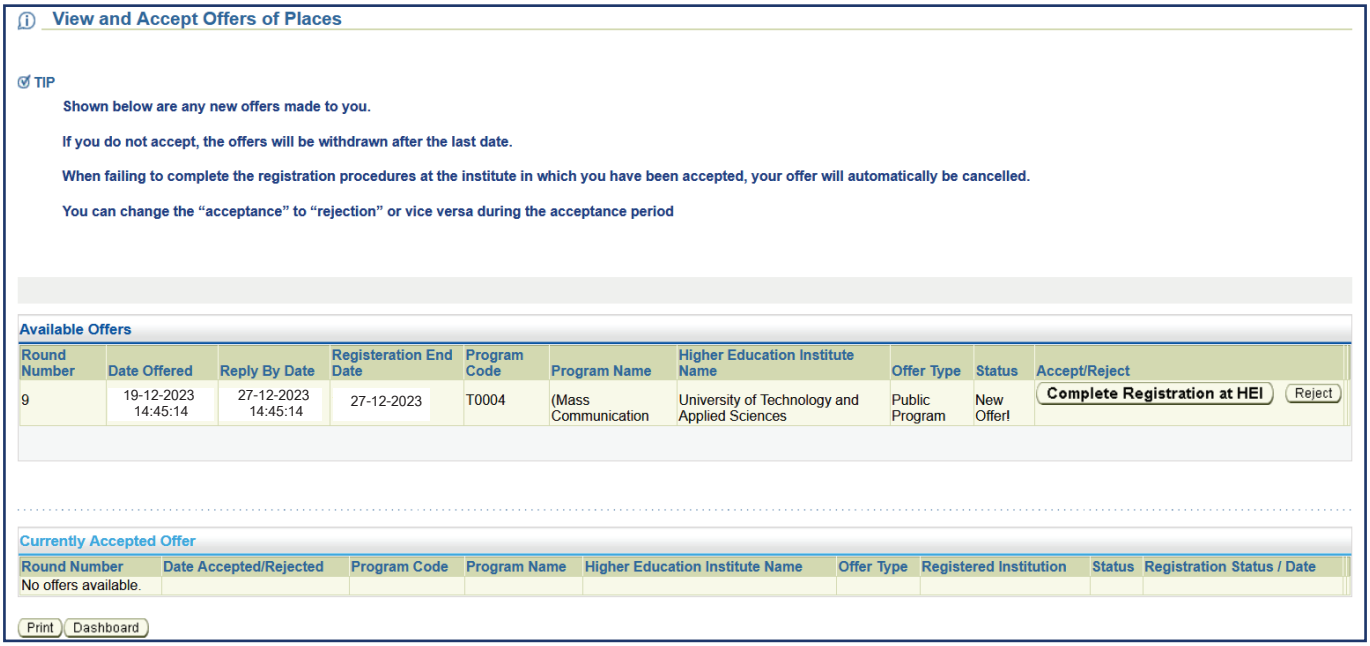
2-They have to upload supporting documents **(step 6)**.



SELECT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMMES - SCREENSHOT



ACCEPT OFFER OF A PLACE - SCREENSHOT



View and Accept Offers of Places

TIP

Shown below are any new offers made to you.

If you do not accept, the offers will be withdrawn after the last date.

When failing to complete the registration procedures at the institute in which you have been accepted, your offer will automatically be cancelled.

You can change the "acceptance" to "rejection" or vice versa during the acceptance period

Available Offers

Round Number	Date Offered	Reply By Date	Registeration End Date	Program Code	Program Name	Higher Education Institute Name	Offer Type	Status	Accept/Reject
9	19-12-2023 14:45:14	27-12-2023 14:45:14	27-12-2023	T0004	(Mass Communication	University of Technology and Applied Sciences	Public Program	New Offer!	Complete Registration at HEI Reject

Currently Accepted Offer

Round Number	Date Accepted/Rejected	Program Code	Program Name	Higher Education Institute Name	Offer Type	Registered Institution	Status	Registration Status / Date
No offers available.								

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About The University OF TECHNOLOGY & APPLIED SCIENCES

ACADEMIC PROGRESS REQUIREMENTS/ MEETING THE ACADEMIC STANDARDS	In order to meet the institution's academic standards and earn a degree, students must comply with the credit hours' system as required by the institution, programmes, and majors. Student should satisfy the graduation requirements with no less than a CGPA of (2) towards graduation.
COURSE DURATION	Academic program duration :

Type of Degree	Total no. of credit hours	Standard Course Duration	Maximum duration
Diploma	60 - 72	2 years	3 years
Higher Diploma	90 - 108	3 years	4 years
Bachelor's Degree	120 - 144	4 years	6 years

MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION	Courses taught in English: Applied Sciences programmes and English Teacher Preparation Bachelor's Degree Programme. Courses taught in Arabic: Bachelor of education programmes, "Science and Mathematics" in mathematics, chemistry, physics and biology.
OTHER INFORMATION	**The student must be medically fit to apply for admission requirements at the University of Technology and Applied Sciences.** •The university offers a range of academic programs in different fields› scientific. • The university offers different academic qualifications levels, such as diploma advanced diploma, or bachelor degree, there for student must be aware of the program he is applying for and the degree awarded by the program. • All academic programs at the university require a pass in foundation pass in program • All accepted students are set for placement of Foundation Program, which is held in the introductory week. Passing the foundation year with its three components is a prerequisite for studying the academic programs at the university • The General Foundation Program is an introductory program in some of basic skills required for studying the academic program. The General Foundation Program is not part of the academic program, as it requires student to achieve level of (satisfactory) in the three components: English language, mathematics and computer. • A student can be excluded from one or all of the GFP components if he passes the GFP challenge exams. Or submitting a valid academic IELTS certificate at the beginning of the semester with a total score of (5), and not less than 4.5 in each skill.

STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

CODE	Program name	Program minimum requirement	TIE BREAKERS	Additional information
T0010	*Engineering*	*An Average of at least* **75 %** **65 %** *in the following subjects* *Pure Mathematics* *Physics* *Chemistry* *English orAcademic IELTS* **4**	*Highest Grade in* *Pure Mathematics* *Physics* *Chemistry* *English language*	*HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Muscat* *HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Nizwa* *HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Ibra* *HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Salalah* *HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Mussana* *HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Shinas* *HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Ibri* *HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Suhar*
T0011	*Economics and Business administration*	*An Average of at least* **75 %** **65 %** *English or Academic IELTS* **4** **65 %** *in one from Pure or Applied Mathematics, Accounting, Business Administration , Economic*	*Highest Grade in* *English language* *Pure or Applied Mathematics* *Accounting* *Business Administration* *Economic*	*HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Muscat* *HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Nizwa* *HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Ibra* *HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Salalah* *HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Mussana* *HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Shinas* *HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Ibri*
T0012	*Information Technology*	*An Average of at least* **75 %** **65 %** *English or Academic IELTS* **4** **65 %** *in Pure Mathematics.*	*Highest Grade in* *Pure Mathematics* *English language*	*HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Muscat* *HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Nizwa* *HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Ibra* *HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Salalah* *HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Mussana* *HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Shinas*

Note

-Use program code when applying in the electronic form.
-While completing registration procedures, student can choose University branch.

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CODE	Program name	Program minimum requirement	TIE BREAKERS	Additional information
T0012	*Information Technology*	*An Average of at least* **75 %** **65 %** *English or Academic IELTS* **4** **65 %** *in Pure Mathematics.*	*Highest Grade in Pure Mathematics* *English language*	*HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Ibri* *HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Suhar* *HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Sur*
T0013	*Mass Communication*	*An Average of at least* **75 %** **65 %** *English or Academic IELTS* **4** **65 %** *In one of the following subjects* *Arabic* *Journalism* *Psychology* *Information Technology*	*Highest Grade in English language* *Arabic*	*HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Nizwa* *HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Salalah* *HEI: University of Technology and Applied Science in Sur*

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CONTACT DETAILS OF HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS

University of Technology and Applied Science

LOCATION	WEBSITE	TEL	FAX
Mucsat	www.hct.edu.om	24473622	24478401
Nizwa	reg.niz@cas.edu.om	25433760	25431102
	www.nct.edu.om	25446555	25431020
Suhar	reg.sal@cas.edu.om	22057133	22057001
Salalah	reg.sal@cas.edu.om	23224303	23225620
	www.sct.edu.om	23223401	23226267
Sur	reg.sur@cas.edu.om	25543055	25544751
Musunah	www.act.edu.om	26871333	26869257
Shinas	www.shct.edu.om	26852811	26747426
Ibri	reg.ibr@cas.edu.om	25692470	25691696
	www.ibrict.edu.om	25690664	25689723
Ibra	www.ict.edu.om	25587800	25549020

SAMPLE OF ONLINE REGISTRATION APPLICATION FORM

Sample of Registration Application Form for the academic year 2023/2024

Student Civil Number:

Student Number, or Seat Number:

1: Student program preferences of (Public Programs Only): list the programs codes according to your personal preferences.

Preference	Program Code	Program Name	Higher Education Institution
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Center pages on social networking sites Accounts of HEAC

QR Code for services Admission Center Services
(Quick Response–QR)

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Instagram

Youtube

Website

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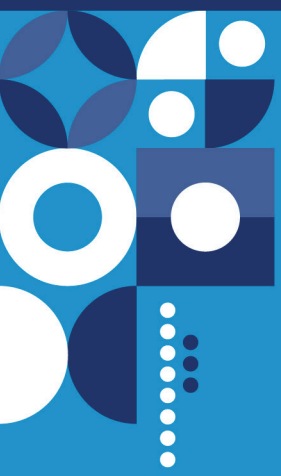

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