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**About the Libyan International Medical University**

Libyan International Medical University (LIMU) is a private university that is located in the heart of Benghazi city; the second biggest city in Libya. LIMU has been established in the year 2007 by a decree that was reached by the Ministry of Higher Education in Libya. The Libyan International Medical University obtained a classification of initial approval by the National Center for Quality Assurance and Accreditation of Higher Education institutions.

**Faculties at LIMU are:**

1. Faculty of Medicine
2. Faculty of Dentistry
3. Faculty of Pharmacy
4. Faculty of Basic Medical Science
5. Faculty of Information Technology
6. Faculty of Business Administration

LIMU is considered unique in terms of being the first and only university in Libya to adopt new disciplines as for the *Basic Medical Science, PharmD, Health Informatics, Hospital Administration* and *Health Accounting* programs. Graduates of such disciplines are expected to improve and support the health system in Libya.

**LIMU Policy:**

- Develop academic programs to accomplish the task of education and continuing medical education.
- Conducting periodic self-evaluation.
- Establishing academic relationships with other bodies and organizations and prestigious international universities in order to exchange expertise, as well as provide consulting and academic cooperation.
- Training of university staff on self-evaluation and thus improving the chances of continuous development.
- Emphasis on the values of quality, excellence and competitiveness of the University.
- Provide scientific and educational classes which encourage creativity and innovation and move away from stereotypes, simulation and replication in an effort to create a professional environment.
- Work to maintain a healthy working environment, in allowing freedom of choice and respect for human rights.
- Respect for dignity and humanity without discrimination of ethnicity, religion, gender or political beliefs.
- Supporting healthy lifestyles and strengthening the links between the familiarity of students and

working to develop the talents and capacities in the promotion of ethics and values.

- Commitment to transparency and scientific integrity in the implementation of regulations, adopted and declared in the implementation of educational programs.
- The University is committed to participate and contribute in all various activities and events in the community aware of their pioneering role and importance in improving community participation and promotion.

## LIMU Strategic Plan 2016 – 2020

### LIMU Vision

To occupy a leading position at regional level in the areas of learning, research and training.

### LIMU Mission

Libyan International Medical University (LIMU), is an academic institute that applies Quality Management System, adopts strategies of self-directed, lifelong-learning, knowledge production and community service. LIMU endeavors to graduate competent professionals to satisfy community needs. LIMU promotes scientific research and professional development programs. LIMU is vividly committed to professional ethical values and principles.

### LIMU Values

- Academic honesty
- Credibility
- Transparency & integrity
- Good governance
- Justice & equity
- Cooperation
- Respect

### LIMU Principles

- Autonomy
- Self-directed lifelong learning
- Team work
- Effective partnerships
- Innovation and excellence

### LIMU Strategic Goals 2016 - 2020

1. Adopt modern learning strategies including self and lifelong learning that ensures benefits of global competitiveness.
2. Fulfill community needs, future demand of labour market and development of knowledge capital.
3. Raise national health awareness to enhance community health, social development and commitment to ethical values & principles.
4. Achieve financial return that ensures continuity and growth
5. Promote institutional capacity towards achieving ownership of a well-designed & fully operated University campus.

6. Develop human capital and create an ideal private institutional model in the field of education and health services.
7. Adopt process management system & automation in educational & administrative processes.

### University Council

According to Organizational chart, University Council consists of University President, Academic Council, Vice President for General Affairs, Vice President for Academic Affairs, General Registrar and Heads of different Administrative Departments.

**LIMU ACADEMIC COUNCIL** consists of:

1. LIMU President
2. LIMU Vice President for Learning Affairs
3. LIMU Vice President for Graduate Studies
4. Dean; Faculty of Business Administration
5. Dean; Faculty of Information Technology
6. Dean; Faculty of Basic Medical Sciences
7. Dean; Faculty of Pharmacy
8. Dean; Faculty of Dentistry
9. Dean; Faculty of Medicine

### Graduate Programs

Master of Science in Business Administration, Health Informatics, Emergency Medicine, Medical Education, Community Medicine, Sport Medicine, Pharmaceutical Sciences and Hospital Management.

### Research Centre, Publications & Authors

The University seeks to be a center for remarkable research, scientific studies and development, so the Research & Consultation center was established in the year 2009, to develop and implement research programs and community services. It also seeks to enter research programs as an integral part of the process of continuous development. It seeks to improve links with similar colleges and universities at home and abroad. The center defines and announces research priorities at university level periodically. Ethical Committee at university level is responsible for approval of research proposals that deal with living organisms.

### University Journal (LIMUJ)

The LIMUJ is a recognized international peer reviewed fully online open-access journal aiming to publish research articles in basic, allied and clinical medical sciences. An important aim for LIMUJ is to inform and stimulate doctors, researchers, and other health professionals in ways that will improve outcomes for the sake of patients.

<http://journal.limu.edu.ly>

### Quality Assurance Regulations

According to university policy, Department of Quality Assurance is taking all steps to implement quality assurance principles in all academic and administrative affairs at LIMU according to standards

set by the National Center for Quality Assurance and Accreditation of Educational Institutions, to assure good quality outcomes.

### Professional Development Protocols

University Training Center seeks to develop and raise the efficiency of personnel and equip them with new skills in a manner consistent with scientific fact. The Center gives up-to-date skills to faculty, staff or workers in different health faculties to keep pace with the times through the continuous development of human resources.

### Syllabus, Study Credits & Learning Management

Syllabi are set and developed on regular basis via the curriculum development committee at faculty level under direct supervision of university Vice President for Learning Affairs. Self-learning and lifelong learning are important LIMU principles.

LIMU adopted Problem-Based Learning (PBL) as an important learning strategy. Through PBL students learn to become partners in the teaching/learning process where they accept responsibility for much of their learning, work successfully as a team member, deal with new and changing situations and develop lifelong learning skills. Problem-based learning then, can help students to think critically, analyze and solve real world problems that will better prepare them for careers outside the classroom.

### Learning Platforms

*Moodle* is the learning management system and learning platform that is used at LIMU by all students, tutors, facilitators and teaching staff members.

*LIMU Digital repository* (LIMU-DR) has been established to support management of scholarly information resources of enduring value to LIMU University. Staff members, students, and researchers use LIMU-DR services to promote and protect the products of their work. Scholars around the world can use contents in the LIMU-DR in their research.

### University Staff Members

Total number of academic staff is 224 of which 152 are PhD holders. About 90% of staff are part-timers, this helps to tie university with other national and regional institutions.

### Students Numbers & Expected Graduates

Since its establishment, LIMU graduates are more than 200. Total number of current students at LIMU is 1016, of which 120 students are expected to be graduated by the end of the academic year 2017/2018.

### University International Relations & Agreements

Academic Relations & International Cooperation (ARIC) office works to promote the cooperation and coordination between the University and other comparative institutions at local, regional and international levels.

**LIMU succeeded to establish relations with following institutions:**

- University of Benghazi Libya
- Cairo University Egypt
- Ain Shams University Egypt
- Alexandria University Egypt
- AL Mansoura University Egypt
- 6<sup>th</sup> October University Egypt
- University of Barcelona Spain
- University of Santiago De Compostela Spain
- Canadian European Academy Egypt
- University of Modena & Reggio Emilia Italy
- College of Henricopolis School of Medicine USA

**Ability to Fund Shared Programs with International Universities**

University is aiming for excellence and establishing academic relations with local and international partners, and can fund shared programs to certain extent according to internal regulations.

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