

# Fact Sheet: King Abdullah University of Science and Technology

King Abdullah University of Science and Technology (KAUST) is being built in Saudi Arabia as an international, graduate-level research university dedicated to inspiring a new age of scientific achievement in the Kingdom that will also benefit the region and the world. KAUST will be merit-based and will recruit men and women from around the world.

For more information  
visit the KAUST  
Web site at:  
[www.kaust.edu.sa](http://www.kaust.edu.sa)

## About The Campus

KAUST's core campus, located on the Red Sea at Thuwal, will sit on more than 36 million square meters, encompassing a marine sanctuary and research facility around a unique coral reef ecosystem. The campus and surrounding community will incorporate a distinctive blend of traditional regional architecture and modern styles and amenities. Key features include:

- World-class research labs and facilities
- Seaside town with a wide variety of shops, apartments, single-family homes
- Parks, playgrounds, schools for children; golf course, yacht club, marina for adults
- Minimal environmental footprint

## About Research

KAUST will focus on research that applies science and technology to the problems of human need, social advancement, and economic development. Rather than organizing around academic disciplines, KAUST will focus on cross-disciplinary, problem-oriented Research Institutes, such as:

- Resources, Energy and Environment
- Biosciences and Bioengineering
- Materials Science and Engineering

- Applied Mathematics and Computational Science

## About Scholarships and Awards

KAUST offers two types of assistance for students: The KAUST Discovery Scholarship and The King Abdullah Scholar Award.

- Discovery Scholarships will provide full financial support to every highly talented student enrolled in KAUST.
- The King Abdullah Scholar Award is conferred upon outstanding doctoral students to support their continued research efforts. These awards consist of generous funding for up to four years to continue the scholar's research project, a living stipend and travel funds.

## About Faculty and Students

KAUST will be a truly international school, recruiting the best professor and student researchers.

- Faculty will be non-tenured, with renewable or rolling two- to five-year contracts.
- Students will compose a diverse, international body representative of the highest standards of academic excellence.