ISTITUTO MARANGONI RIYADH
'Bridging Cultural Heritage and Innovation in Fashion' Scholarship
In partnership with the Fashion Commission

Terms & Conditions

1. Subject

As the first global Institute specializing in fashion to open its doors in the Kingdom, Istituto Marangoni Riyadh aims to prepare students for the job market, in line with Saudi Vision 2030.

Located in King Abdullah Financial District (KAFD), Istituto Marangoni Riyadh is a leading international institution for fashion, design and luxury education in Saudi Arabia. Operating under the supervision of the Council of Universities' Affairs (CUA), Ministry of Education of Saudi Arabia, **the Branch University offers Bachelor's degree programmes in key disciplines including Fashion Design, Fashion Management, Fashion Communication**.
Alongside its higher education offering, Istituto Marangoni Riyadh also delivers vocational and professional qualifying programmes under the Technical and Vocational Training Corporation (TVTC), supporting lifelong learning, upskilling and reskilling opportunities for graduates and industry professionals.

In collaboration with the Fashion Commission, a limited number of scholarships of up to 40% will be granted to Saudi students enrolling in the Bachelor's Degrees starting in January 2027 at Istituto Marangoni Riyadh.

This opportunity is open to Saudi nationals holding a high school certificate (or an equivalent qualification) and a recognized Bachelor's degree.

Scholarships are intended as a deduction applied to the total Tuition Fees, including the Enrollment Fee.

Young Saudi nationals can apply for a scholarship in one of the following courses:

Four-Year BA Degrees

1. Fashion Design & Accessories
2. Fashion Management, Digital Communication & Media
3. Fashion Communication & Image

2. How to participate

Applicants interested in applying to Istituto Marangoni Riyadh scholarship should be at least 17 years old upon graduation.

Participation in the initiative is free: each candidate can submit only one application by uploading the required documents on the dedicated Scholarship platform. Multiple requests shall not be considered.

Candidates are required to meet specific entry requirements and to submit the following documents to apply for the Scholarship.

Bachelor's Degrees

• A valid high school diploma (or equivalent) issued by a recognized Saudi or international educational institution

• Motivational letter.

• 6 creative ideas / portfolio: is made of 6 self-produced Creative Ideas can be anything that visually describes your inspiration and the area of study that you have chosen. They can be submitted in the form of sketches, drawings, photographs, moodboards and collages. The 6 creative ideas might also be a mix of these. They can also be a personal reinterpretation of objects, environments, people, situations, etc. or design ideas such as a representation of personal creations such as outfits/fashion collections, objects, furniture pieces, interior spaces, etc. according to the desired program you are applying to. All items must be submitted in A4 or A3 format, in .pdf, .tiff, .jpg, .zip.

• Piece of written work: the document should include a critical reflection on a contemporary phenomenon relevant for the fashion industry (e.g. sustainability, inclusivity, digitalization) or the analysis of a brand of their choice. The text should be of 1000 words accompanied by visual research and a list of references and be submitted as a PDF file.

• Proof of English language proficiency for non-native speakers, with a minimum IELTS score of 4.5 (TOEFL iBT 32 and above) or an equivalent qualification recognized within the Saudi higher education system.

• Valid proof of identity.

All accompanying texts and documents submitted shall be in English. Content in any other language will not be made visible. Istituto Marangoni reserves the right to exclude from participation candidates who submit materials which do not comply with the Regulation.

Istituto Marangoni offers a specialized consulting service for those who wish to get further details about application process and English certificates that can be accepted.

For further information on how to apply, please contact: scholarships@istitutomarangoni.com

Candidates will receive a confirmation e-mail for the application submitted.

If you do not receive a confirmation email, please contact the above email address no later than 24 hours after submission of the application.

4. Timeline and Deadlines

29th November 2026 > final deadline to submit applications

5. Committee and evaluation criteria

Candidatures for the **scholarships up to 40%** delivered by Istituto Marangoni Riyadh will be evaluated by a specialized Committee composed by both Istituto Marangoni and Fashion Commission representatives.

Winners will be selected at the Committee's own discretion.

6. Awards

The Fashion Commission initiative offers to Saudi nationals the opportunity to win a scholarship to cover the 4-year Bachelor's Degrees as follows:

Bachelor's Degree
- Year 1: 40% tuition discount
- Year 2: 20% tuition discount
- Year 3: 20% tuition discount
- Year 4: 20% tuition discount

7. Results and publication

At the end of the selection made by the Committee, the winners shall be informed by e-mail or by a phone call.

The selected participant for the scholarship shall confirm his/her interest in the scholarship within 3 (three) working days from the date of the first communication. After that period, without receiving any communication from the winner, the scholarship shall be considered as expired and shall be reassigned.

The acceptance of the partial scholarship implies the obligation for the winner to submit the application for the selected course and pay the residual quote of the Tuition Fee.

8. Rights and use of the delivered outputs

The participants (hereinafter the “Participants”) agree to transfer free of charge to Istituto Marangoni and its successors the right to use the special projects (hereinafter the “Projects” or, in the singular, “Project”) and the products that will be, where applicable, implemented as a consequence of the Project; the right to use any output delivered for the participation to the Initiative for ideas ‘Bridging Cultural Heritage and Innovation in Fashion’, as well as all the materials connected to the projects and delivered, including the drawing of the Project, the sketches, the samples, the models, the tests and the video and photo materials. Istituto Marangoni reserves the right to use, publish and exploit the Projects in the form and manner deemed most appropriate: Participants also authorize Istituto Marangoni to use the documents received for promotional purposes and in the manner deemed most appropriate.

The Participants, joining the Initiative for ideas ‘Bridging Cultural Heritage and Innovation in Fashion’ declare that Istituto Marangoni and its successors cannot be subject to any claim resulting from such use. In any case, the Participants agree to indemnify and hold Istituto Marangoni and its successors harmless from any liability toward third parties.

9. Declarations and warranties

Each Participant declares and guarantees:

(i) to be the author of the Project, to own and to be fully, legitimately and autonomously entitled to grant, without limitation, all the rights granted herein, including but not limited to intellectual property rights anyhow related to the Project;
(ii) that the Project is original and shall not, directly or indirectly, infringe any third parties’ right, including copyrights and intellectual property rights;

(iii) that the Project shall not contain any obscene, violent, defamatory, blaspheme, upsetting elements and that the it shall not infringe any third party personal and patrimonial right (including moral rights, image rights, honor and/or reputation and/or confidentiality rights, copyrights, data protection, publishing and/or others rights) or any applicable law; in the event the Project contains elements and/or parts from third parties works, the Participant guarantee to have obtained in advance and/or to obtain all necessary consents, releases and/or authorizations, as well as all usage rights of the Project granted herein; (iv) that there are no rights or agreement with any third party which shall interfere with the rights granted herein and with the full and free usage and arrangement of the Project by Istituto Marangoni and its successors.

In any case, the Participant undertakes to indemnify and hold Istituto Marangoni and its successors harmless with respect to every demand, claim, contestation or request, whether made or brought before the courts or otherwise, by third parties related to the Project and/or to the rights granted pursuant the article 8 and/or that are inconsistent with the representations, warranties and obligations that the Participant has provided herein or by law and/or may interfere with the full and free exploitation by Istituto Marangoni and its successors of the rights granted herein.