



FIRST INTERNATIONAL DENTAL SCHOOL TO BE ACCREDITED BY THE COMMISSION ON DENTAL ACCREDITATION (CODA)

King Abdulaziz University Faculty of Dentistry (KAUFD)
CASE STUDY

Institution

King Abdulaziz University Faculty of Dentistry (KAUFD)

Industry

Dental Education

Location

Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Services

Accreditation Development and Review, Curriculum Review, Mock Site Visit

THE SITUATION

HELPING THE FIRST NON-U.S. DENTAL SCHOOL OBTAIN CODA ACCREDITATION

Dental education in the United States is considered to have among the highest standards in the world. Those standards, set forth by the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA), are responsible for maintaining the quality of educational programs for institutions, students, and patients. CODA accreditation of an international program allows graduates of that program (1) to be eligible for licensure within the U.S., (2) to attend graduate programs in the U.S., and (3) to potentially receive graduate funding in the U.S.



The Academy for Advancing Leadership (AAL) is a leading health and higher education consulting firm with 15 years of experience guiding leaders and organizations through transformation.

STRATEGY & SOLUTIONS



CLIENT

Established in 1984, KAUFU is one of the most preeminent dental schools in the MENA region.



GOALS

KAUFU sought to become a CODA-accredited program, meaning their graduates would have the same credentials as graduates from U.S. dental schools.



STRATEGY

AAL began the project by thoroughly evaluating KAUFU's curriculum and CODA Self-Study document. AAL then provided KAUFU with a comprehensive analysis of its compliance with each of the 65 CODA standards, and detailed strategies for ensuring a successful application package.

Additionally, AAL conducted a mock-site visit to help prepare the school for the examination from CODA. This mock site visit was done by AAL's Senior Consultants who have served as site visitors, and led numerous institutions through accreditation processes.

The entire project took six months, and AAL supported KAUFU through the last submission of their documentation.



RESULTS

On August 1, 2019, CODA granted an accreditation status to KAUFU. This is the first time a predoctoral dental education program outside of the U.S. has received such a status.

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