



What Is the Academy Zone?

RAK FTZ has established a dedicated facility where educational organisations can base themselves to offer academic programmes to the RAK community. Organisations can manage their operations either at one of the allocated buildings or build their own campuses at an assigned location in Ras Al Khaimah.

Main Benefits

- ▶ Universities / Colleges can conduct undergraduate or postgraduate programmes
- ▶ Option for leasing or building
- ▶ RAK FTZ can facilitate all necessary assistance and support for smooth functioning of institutions
- ▶ Easy set-up procedures

Ras Al Khaimah Statistics

- ▶ The total population of RAK is 250,000, out of which approximately 50% are UAE Nationals
- ▶ At present, there are 14 educational institutions operating out of RAK
- ▶ The total number of students graduating from secondary school is approximately 6,500 per year

Package and Facilities Available

Academy Zone offers the following services and facilities to suit the needs of educational centres:

	Type	Remarks
ACTIVITIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Universities ▶ Academic Infrastructure Provider (AIP) ▶ Training Centres ▶ Distance Learning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Branch of a foreign university ▶ Provide infrastructure and facilities to universities / colleges ▶ In-house training activities ▶ Deliver education to students who are not physically onsite, through online or periodic contact classes
FACILITIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Pre-built ▶ Land 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Unit size from 50 m² upwards ▶ Minimum area 5,000 m²
VISAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Visas available for owners, managers, partners, staff and students 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Student Visas are available (except for Distance Learning/Training Centre) ▶ Duration of a Student Visa is 1.5 years ▶ Age range for a Student Visa is 18 - 21

Package Details

	Licence Cost (AED)	Minimum Facility Size (m ²)	Rent Cost (AED)
UNIVERSITY	100,000	350	900 - 1,000
TRAINING CENTRE	10,000 - 15,000	50	1,200 - 1,300
ACADEMIC INFRASTRUCTURE PROVIDER	100,000	350	900 - 1,000
DISTANCE LEARNING	15,000	25	1,200 - 1,300

Required Documents

The applicant has to submit the documents listed below to receive official approval and be issued a licence. RAK FTZ reserves the right to call for any extra documents it may require. All documents must be legalised and attested by the UAE embassy or consulate where the parent company/institute exists. Legal documents must be in either Arabic or English – documents in any other languages must be accompanied by a certified English or Arabic translation.

What Are the Basic Required Documents?

Prior to the registration process, applicants need to submit the following for pre-approval:

- ▶ Academy Zone form
- ▶ Feasibility study report
- ▶ Brief profile of institute
- ▶ Brief profile of applicant
- ▶ Letter of Intent from institute (only for AIP and Distance Learning)

After receiving approval from the RAK FTZ Education Committee, the following must be submitted to complete registration:

- ▶ Application form
- ▶ Project description
- ▶ Copies of passport(s)
- ▶ Bank reference letter
- ▶ Manager's academic qualifications and professional experience

What Further Documents Are Required to Establish a Branch?

- ▶ Original Certificate of Registration of the parent institute
- ▶ Original Certificate of Good Standing of the parent institute
- ▶ Original Memorandum and Articles of Association of the parent institute
- ▶ Valid passport copy of Dean/Manager/Branch Director
- ▶ Board Resolution (or equivalent) of the parent institution calling for the establishment of a branch in RAK FTZ and guaranteeing full financial commitment

Allowed Activities

What Activities Can Training Centres Offer?

- ▶ Administrative training
- ▶ Secretarial shorthand instruction
- ▶ Vocational training services
- ▶ Music, dance and instrument instruction
- ▶ Marketing and management training
- ▶ Computer training
- ▶ Language instruction
- ▶ Tuition

Academy Zone form is available for download on our website: www.rakftz.com