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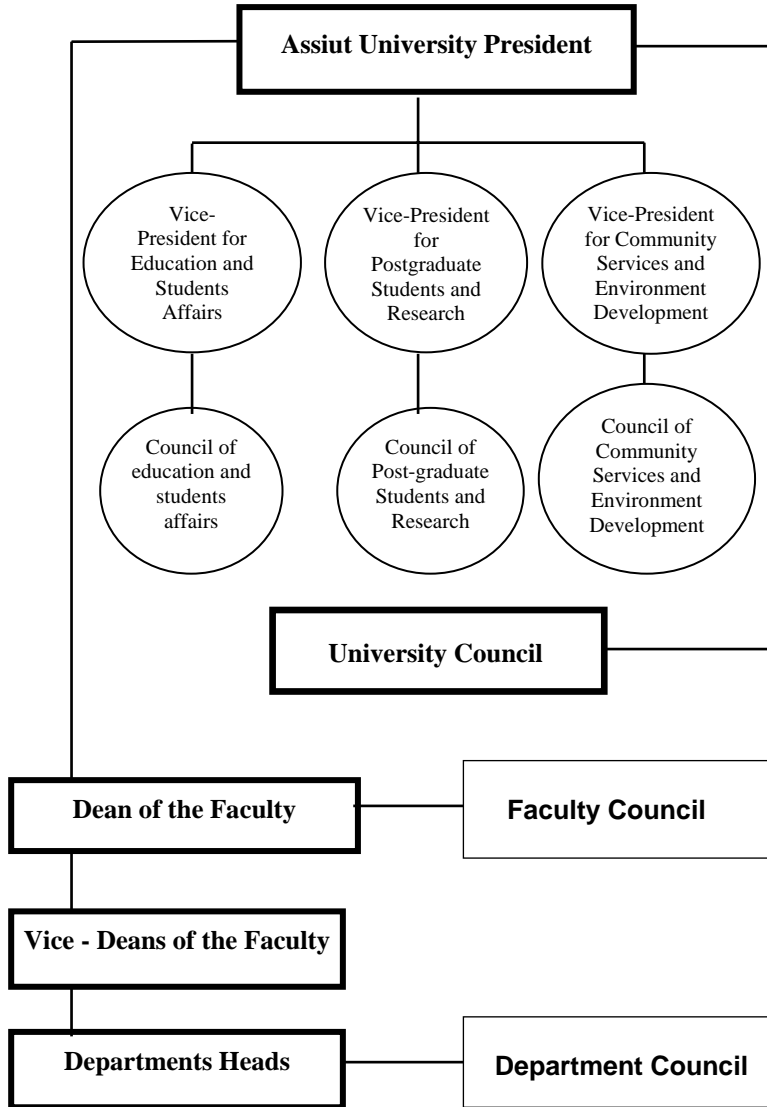


Administrative building of Assiut University

Assiut University Presidents

	Prof. Ezzat A. Ahmed August 2006 till now
	Prof. Mohamed I. Abdel-Kader August 2004 – August 2006
	Prof. Mohamed Raaft Mahmoud January 1996 – July 2004
	Prof. Mohamed R. El-Tahlawi August 1991 – January 1996
	Prof. Abd-El Razek R. Hassan August 1980 – July 1991
	Prof. Hassan Hamdy Ibrahim August 1979 – August 1980
	Prof. Mohamed H. El-Nashar March 1969 – November 1974 & May 1975 – May 1979
	Prof. Abdel-Wahab A. El-Borolossy August 1967 – October 1968
	Prof. Hussein A. Fahim October 1965 – September 1966
	Prof. Soliman A. Hozein October 1955 – September 1965
	Prof. Hassan Ibrahim Hassan March 1950 – December 1952

**Administrative Organization
of Assiut University**



City of Assiut

Assiut City, the capital of Upper Egypt is located halfway between Cairo and Aswan. It is 375 km far from Cairo and the total area of the Governorate reaches about 25,926 square km, of which 1,562 square km represent the inhabited area. Assiut City occupies about 23 square km, thus becoming the first among Upper Egyptian cities in regard to its area. The number of population of the governorate is about 3,151,871 people distributed as 73% rural, and 27% urban population. Governorate includes 11 counties and 235 villages. As reflected by its archeological, cultural, and artistic history, Assiut enjoys a great civilization dating back to more than 4000 years. From the Nile, in the northern part of Assiut, offsprings one of the longest man-made waterways, Al-Ibraheemiya canal. North of its outlet lie the Assiut Barrages which stand among the most important landmarks of the city. Assiut has had an acknowledged fame in some hand crafts which demand a special skill. Similarly there are big manufactures such as: fertilizers, drugs, cement, and oil refinement factories. Assiut is also considered as an important commercial centre and is linked to the rest of the Republic by a number of high ways, express ways and railways. In Assiut there has been established an international Airport which receives a number of regular daily flights. The rough number of population in Assiut now reaches about 830,000 people. The university has always had a role in increasing the population, and developing them culturally, economically, and socially.

Establishment of Assiut University (AU)

In the year 1949, and on the occasion of the centenary of Mohamed Ali Pasha, the national celebration committee, Ministry of Education made a proposal to establish a university in Assiut Governorate bearing the name of Mohamed Ali. This proposal was approved by the Ministers Council and a Royal Decree (156/1949) was issued in this concern. This university remained a hope for the Upper Egyptian and missions had already been sent abroad. In 1955, the Government reconsidered the project, sent missions, and evaluated the project to put it into action. Studies at that time aimed to discover the needs of Upper Egypt and to determine the availability of financial and human capabilities demanded for the project. It had been decided that study should start at the faculties of Science and Engineering and then other faculties afterwards. Currently the university includes 18 faculties and high institutes which are: Science, Engineering, Agriculture, Medicine, Pharmacy, Veterinary Medicine, Commerce, Education, Law, Physical Education, Nursing, Education at the New Valley, Sugar Technology Research Institute, Social Service, Arts, Specific Education, South Egypt Cancer Institute, and Faculty of Computers and Information. Regional campuses of Assiut University were established in Minia, Sohag, Qena, and Aswan. These campuses separated to form independent universities; Minia

University in 1976, then the other branches to form the South Valley University in 1995.

Mission of the University

Assiut University was established in October 1957 as the first university in Upper Egypt to prepare graduates who are equipped with the foundations of specialized scientific knowledge and who are highly trained on the skills required for the field of specialization, while the university programs accord with the changes of the age. The university is keen to use its human resources, research capabilities and counseling experiences in solving environmental problems and serving production and service sectors to achieve comprehensive development. Assiut University endeavors to consolidate and enhance the historical heritage, traditions, and moral and religious values of the Egyptian people. The university also tends to strengthen the relations with other Arab and foreign academic organizations. This can be achieved through providing distinguished academic programs in the light of international standards, conducting scientific and applied research, and activating the role of the university in community service and environment development.

Vision of the University

The university seeks to provide the basic elements for constant development of education in general and of university and higher education in particular to keep up with the ever accelerating technological and scientific developments. It seeks to improve the university performance and graduates so as to reach the level of excellence and high competitiveness. Moreover, it aspires to accomplish distinct scientific studies and research and maximize the role of the university in community service and environment development.

University Alumni

Since the graduation of the first batch in the faculty of Science in 1961 who reached 53 alumni at that time, the total number of the university alumni reached 269,075 alumni 33% of which were females. Last year, in June 2007 the number of Alumni reached 10,693. In the academic year 2006/2007, the total number of Assiut University Students was 70,049 (males and females).

Faculty Members and Teaching Assistants

It is noteworthy that when the university commenced in 1957 the number of faculty members was 21 members plus 6 teaching assistants. Five years later, in 1962 the number of faculty members increased forming 94 faculty members plus 137 teaching assistants. In 1967, ten years after commencement, 8 Faculties were then established to include the number of 241 faculty members and 330 teaching assistants. Ten years ago, in 1997, the number eventually increased with the establishment of newer Faculties, to become 1,250 faculty members and 1000 teaching assistants. Currently, the number of faculty members is 2,355 members (580 females forming 24.6 %), and 1,408 teaching assistants (677 females forming 48 %). It is worth mentioning that 17 current and former university presidents all over the Egyptian universities (other than Assiut University) have either been faculty members or alumni of Assiut University.

Post-graduate Studies

Since its establishment, Assiut University awarded 16795 higher Diploma, 6172 M.Sc. and 2599 Ph.D. degrees. The first post-graduate degree was awarded in 1961. In terms of 2002/2007 "Five-years plan" of the national administration of fellowships, the university sent 119 scientific fellowships abroad for obtaining the Ph.D. degree in different specialization, plus 100 fellowships through the joint-supervision system.

University Centers & Special Units

1. Center for Scientific Information and Documentation
2. Center for Autocars Service and Transportation
3. Center for Consultative Studies and Engineering
4. Center for Futuristic Studies
5. Quality Assurance and Accreditation Center
6. Center for Marketing of University Services
7. Center for South Valley Development Studies and Research
8. Center for Human Rights Studies and Research
9. Center for Communication with Deaf-Mute
10. Center for Food Safety and Hygiene
11. Center for Olympic Village Services
12. Center for Information Network
13. Computer Consulting Center
14. Mycological Center
15. Center for Translation and Linguistic Research
16. Center for Educational & Psychological Research
17. Center for Drug Research
18. Center for Genetic Engineering and Molecular Biology Research
19. Centers for Foreign Languages (English , French and German)
20. Center for Environmental Studies and Research
21. Center for Arabic Language Education
22. Center for Conferences & University Guest House
23. Center for Faculties Medication
24. Center for University Press
25. Center for Distributing University Books.
26. Electron Microscope Unit
27. Trace Analyses unit
28. Programming and Computer Unit
29. Analytical Chemistry Unit
30. Publishing and Distribution House
31. University Residence House in Cairo
32. University Student Hospital
33. Microfilm and Database Documentation Unit