



The ICTP's Framework of Reference for Persian Language

based on

Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR)¹

Level		Description
A Level Basic	A1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ A language learner can understand familiar everyday expressions and use very basic phrases aimed at the satisfaction of needs of a concrete type. ❖ A language learner can introduce him/herself and others and can ask and answer questions about personal details such as where he/she lives, people he/she knows and things he/she has. ❖ A language learner can interact in a simple way provided the other person talks slowly and clearly and is prepared to help.
	A2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ A language learner can understand sentences and frequently used expressions related to areas of most immediate relevance (e.g. very basic personal and family information, shopping, local geography, employment). ❖ A language learner can communicate in simple and routine tasks requiring a simple and direct exchange of information on familiar and routine matters. ❖ A language learner can describe in simple terms aspects of his/her background, immediate environment and matters in areas of immediate need.
B Level Intermediate	B1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ A language learner can understand the main points of clear standard input on familiar matters regularly encountered in work, school, leisure, etc. ❖ A language learner can deal with most situations likely to arise whilst travelling in an area where the language is spoken. ❖ A language learner can produce simple connected text on topics which are familiar or of personal interest. ❖ A language learner can describe experiences and events, dreams, hopes & ambitions and briefly give reasons and explanations for opinions and plans.
	B2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ A language learner can understand the main ideas of complex text on both concrete and abstract topics, including technical discussions in his/her field of specialisation. ❖ A language learner can interact with a degree of fluency and spontaneity that makes regular interaction with native speakers quite possible without strain for either party. ❖ A language learner can produce clear, detailed text on a wide range of subjects and explain a viewpoint on a topical issue giving the advantages and disadvantages of various options.
C Level Advanced	C1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ A language learner can understand a wide range of demanding, longer texts, and recognise implicit meaning. ❖ A language learner can express him/herself fluently and spontaneously without much obvious searching for expressions. ❖ A language learner can use language flexibly and effectively for social, academic and professional purposes. ❖ A language learner can produce clear, well-structured, detailed text on complex subjects, showing a controlled use of organisational patterns, connectors and cohesive devices.
	C2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ A language learner can understand with ease virtually everything heard or read. ❖ A language learner can summarise information from different spoken and written sources, reconstructing arguments and accounts in a coherent presentation. ❖ A language learner can express him/herself spontaneously, very fluently and precisely, differentiating finer shades of meaning even in more complex situations.

¹ Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR). TRACK TEST Retrieved August 08, 2019, from <https://tracktest.eu/english-levels-cefr/>

Accommodation

1. Is it compulsory to stay on the camps inside the university accommodation? Can I stay outside the university in private accommodations off-campus and hotels?

It is completely optional. You can decide to stay in our accommodations or somewhere else outside the university.

2. How I can I get to the historical sites, tourists attractions, shopping centers, etc. from the center and my accommodation?

The university of Isfahan is located in the best area of Isfahan and very close to modern amenities such as the subway system, bus stops, bus terminals, etc. There are just three subway stations right after each of the entrances of the university, which can take you everywhere with less than 0.08 US dollar. Therefore, our center and accommodations are quite accessible.

3. Should I apply for accommodation before my arrival to Iran?

YES, after receiving the reference number and informing us about your time of arrival, we need to coordinate with the University's Accommodation Center in order to reserve and book your chosen accommodation type.

4. What should I do for after my arrival?

Upon your arrival, you can come to the Center and staff here will help you to find your accommodation. However, normally everything is set; therefore, you can directly go to your accommodation and get your room.

5. Is there a special time that I can get my room after my arrival?

NO, whenever you arrive, you can go to your accommodation and get your reserved room.

6. What are the facilities of the University of Isfahan's accommodation options?

You can find detailed descriptions of our offered accommodation options including type of rooms, facilities, photos and etc. at our English website (pllc.ui.ac.ir/en) under the tab "**Accommodation Description**".

7. How much is the weekly accommodation fee at the University of Isfahan?

You can find our accommodation fees at our English website (pllc.ui.ac.ir) under the tab of the same name "**Accommodation Fees**".

8. The rooms are shared or private?

The accommodation options are normally shared; however, the rooms could be allocated to individuals on request subject to availability, but the applicants are charged with additional fees in this case.

9. After arrival to my accommodation, when should I come to the Center?

You should come to the Center in the next working day.

10. What is the working schedule of the University's accommodation?

The University's accommodation is open every day and you can go there whenever you like.

Classes

1. What are the conditions of participating in the Center's classes?

You can participate in our classes from any country or age group subject to securing an Education Visa.

2. What courses are offered by the Center for learning Persian?

In this Center, various courses with different aims and goals are set up for the applicants. You can visit the tab "**Tuition table**" in our website which contains the information about our General Persian Courses. We also offer Seasonal Schools at unbelievably competitive price. It is suggested to check our website regularly (pllc.ui.ac.ir/en) or simply follow us on social media at *Instagram: @Persianlearningcenter*.

3. How many days are the classes held in a week?

The Persian classes are held from Saturday to Wednesday from 8 to 12. Thursday and Friday are holidays. However, online classes have flex times and are arranged according to students' schedules.

4. Are the classes held in official holidays?

NO. In official holidays, as provided in Iranian Calendar, the classes are off.

5. How much do the Persian learning classes cost?

You can find the tuition fees at our English website (pllc.ui.ac.ir/en) under the tab "**Tuition Table**".

6. While studying at the Persian Center, can I attend other classes? Can I travel to other cities?

Yes, you can register at other institutes, and you can take several days off to travel to other cities.

7. Can I attend the classes of other faculties at the University of Isfahan while studying at the Center or after I finished my Persian course?

Yes, if your language proficiency is above intermediate, you can attend the classes of the faculties subject to the respective departments' permission.

8. How my language proficiency is determined?

Prior to the classes start date, a placement test will be given to you and according to the obtained results, your level will be determined.

9. Do I have the opportunity to use the University's facilities such as library, sports centers, internet and etc.?

YES, the staff in charge at the Center will set everything up for you upon your arrival.

10. Can I leave the country while studying at the Center?

Yes, if you convert your visa to a resident visa you can leave the country for a specific period and return back again.

You can also withdraw from the course and leave the country, but it should be mentioned that the fees are non-refundable.

Fees

1. How can I pay the fees?

The fees should be paid in cash by the applicant. All fees must be paid in United States Dollars (USD).

2. Can I use my credit cards to pay the fees in Iran?

NO, no foreign credit card is valid for payments in Iran.

3. Can I pay the fees online?

No, online payment service is not available.

4. Do the tuition fees cover books and handouts?

NO, the applicants should pay for the books and handouts separately.

5. Are the food expenses separate (from tuition fees)?

YES, the applicants should pay their food expenses themselves.

6. Is it expensive to travel and live in Isfahan?

NO, it is very cheap. Moreover, it is one the safest and friendliest cities in the world according to the international visitors and travelers.

How to apply?

1. Do you have nomination/registration deadlines? Until when we should register for your semesters?

Our center is the most experienced and the best center in Iran and hence we always have newcomers. Therefore, you can arrange your arrival at your convenience.

Upon your arrival, you will be given our placement test, which consists of a test and an interview, to exactly determine your present level of Persian proficiency to let us know what level and course best fits your needs and interests and then you will be assigned to the right class.

Right now we have about 600 Persian learners.

2. Can only students apply for your courses? Do you have any age/occupation/nationality limits?

No. All individuals from different countries and different age groups who are interested in learning Persian language, getting familiar with Iranian rich history and culture, and/or visit Iran can apply.

3. What is the first step in the application process?

You should first go to saorg.ir website and receive a tracking code after completing the required information including your name. Then, you should mail your tracking code to our email address.

To get full information about the application process, please visit the "Registration" tab on our English website.

4. What is the second step after completing and sending the mentioned forms?

After completing and sending the required forms, please wait to receive an email from our Center containing your reference number.

5. How long does it take to receive a reference number?

It usually takes a month or two, to receive a reference number from our Center.

6. What should I do after receiving my reference number?

You should go to the Islamic Republic of Iran's embassy in your country with your reference number and receive your Education Visa.

7. When Should I inform the Center about my time of arrival?

After you receive your reference number, you should inform us of your exact time of arrival for the reservation and arrangement purposes.

8. When can I book my ticket?

You can book your ticket only after receiving your visa.

9. I have problems logging in to the system, what should I do?

First, please try once more but if your problem still persists, please feel free to contact us at (ICTP@dean.ui.ac.ir), we will be delighted to help you.

10. What should I do after receiving my visa?

You should reserve or book your ticket and you must inform the Center about your exact time of arrival.

11. What should I do if I do not receive the reference number in due time?

You should repeat the registration steps from the beginning.

Visa

1. **What kind of visa is required for participating in the classes?**

You can only attend our Persian Center's classes with Education Visa (E).

2. **Do the citizens of the countries like Turkey, Afghanistan and etc. - that do not require a visa to travel to Iran - need an Education Visa for registering in the Center and participating in the classes?**
YES, even the citizens of the countries like Turkey, Afghanistan and etc. - that do not require a visa to travel to Iran - do need an Education Visa in this case.

3. **What is the condition of renewing the Education Visa?**

For renewing your Education Visa, **which is valid for less than a month**, you should fill out the renewing form and pay the required fees for the extended period.

4. **What are the conditions for converting an Education Visa to a Resident Visa?**

Completing the renewing form for the visas that are valid for more than a month, pay the required fees for the conversion of the visa accompanied with two photos and a passport copy.

5. **Which documents are needed for visa conversion?**

Photo, renewing form, extension fees and a passport copy.



**International Center of Teaching Persian to Speakers of Other Languages
University of Isfahan**

Duration of General Persian Courses	Hours of Instruction	1	2
1 Month	Saturday to Wednesday 80 educational hours of Instruction	200\$	150\$
2 Month	Saturday to Wednesday 160 educational hours of Instruction	380\$	275\$
3 Month	Saturday to Wednesday 240 educational hours of Instruction	560\$	400\$
4 Month	Saturday to Wednesday 320 educational hours of Instruction	740\$	525\$
5 Month	Saturday to Wednesday 400 educational hours of Instruction	850\$	640\$
6 Month	Saturday to Wednesday 480 educational hours of Instruction	1000\$	765\$

Table 1. General Tuition Fees

Table 2. Tuition Fees for International Students

Duration of General Persian Courses	Hours of Instruction	1	2
6 Semesters	500 educational hours of Instruction	500\$	400\$

- Column 1 is for those who apply individually.
 - Column 2 is for those who apply in groups or are sent in groups by universities or academic centers.



University of Isfahan

Accommodation

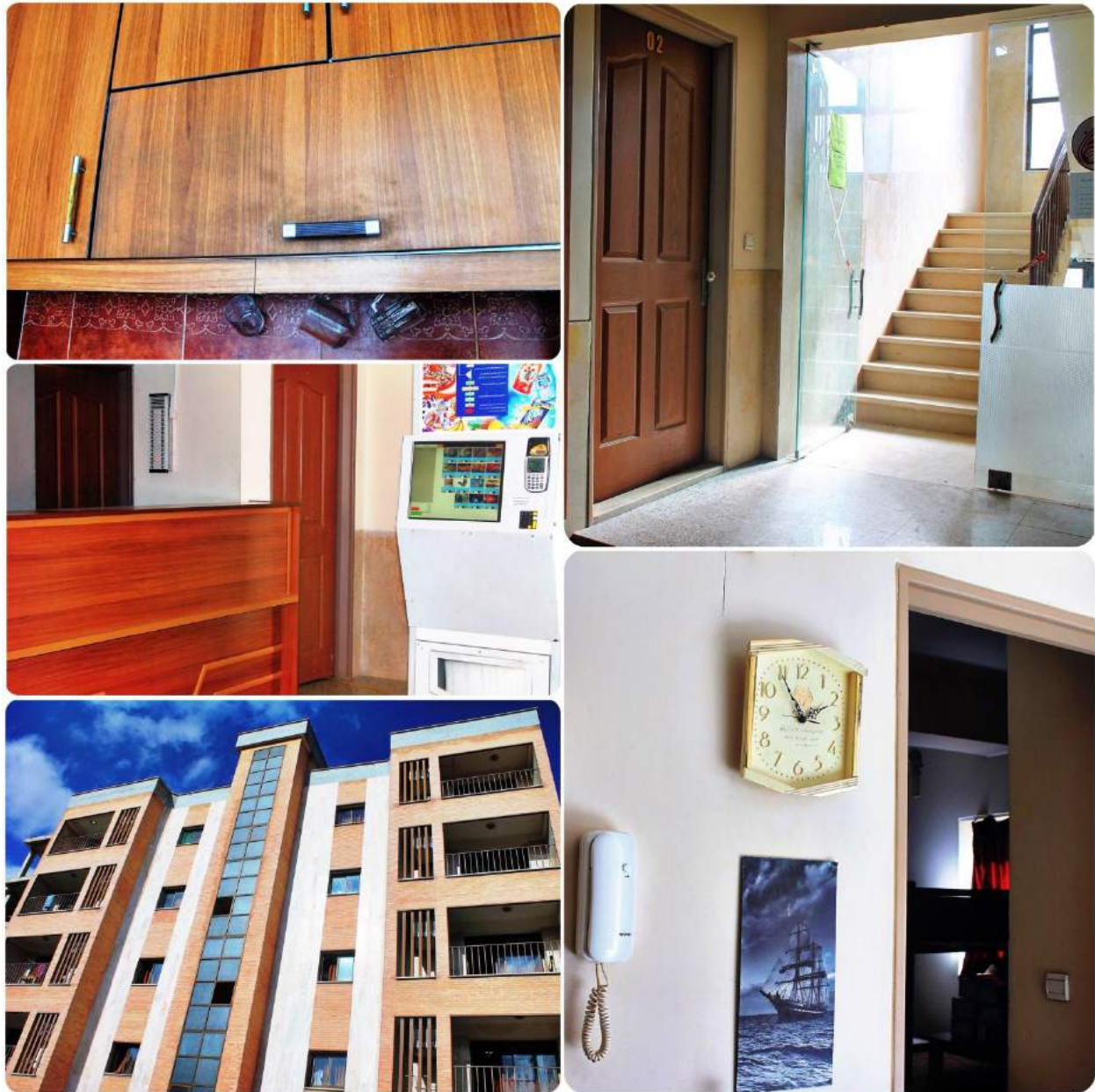
After academic matters, the most important thing for international students is accommodation. International students and language learners are offered accommodation inside the campus of the University of Isfahan, one of the biggest and most beautiful university campuses in Iran, in the best area of Isfahan and in the vicinity of high quality urban amenities; within walking distance of the classes, library, computer rooms, university sport facilities, restaurants, shopping centers, and subway, taxi, and bus stations.

Accommodation Offers

- ❖ **Nikan Student Hotel**
- ❖ **Shams Student Hotel**
- ❖ **Payambar Azam Student Hotel**
- ❖ **University of Isfahan Hotel** ★★★★★

1. Nikan Student Hotel

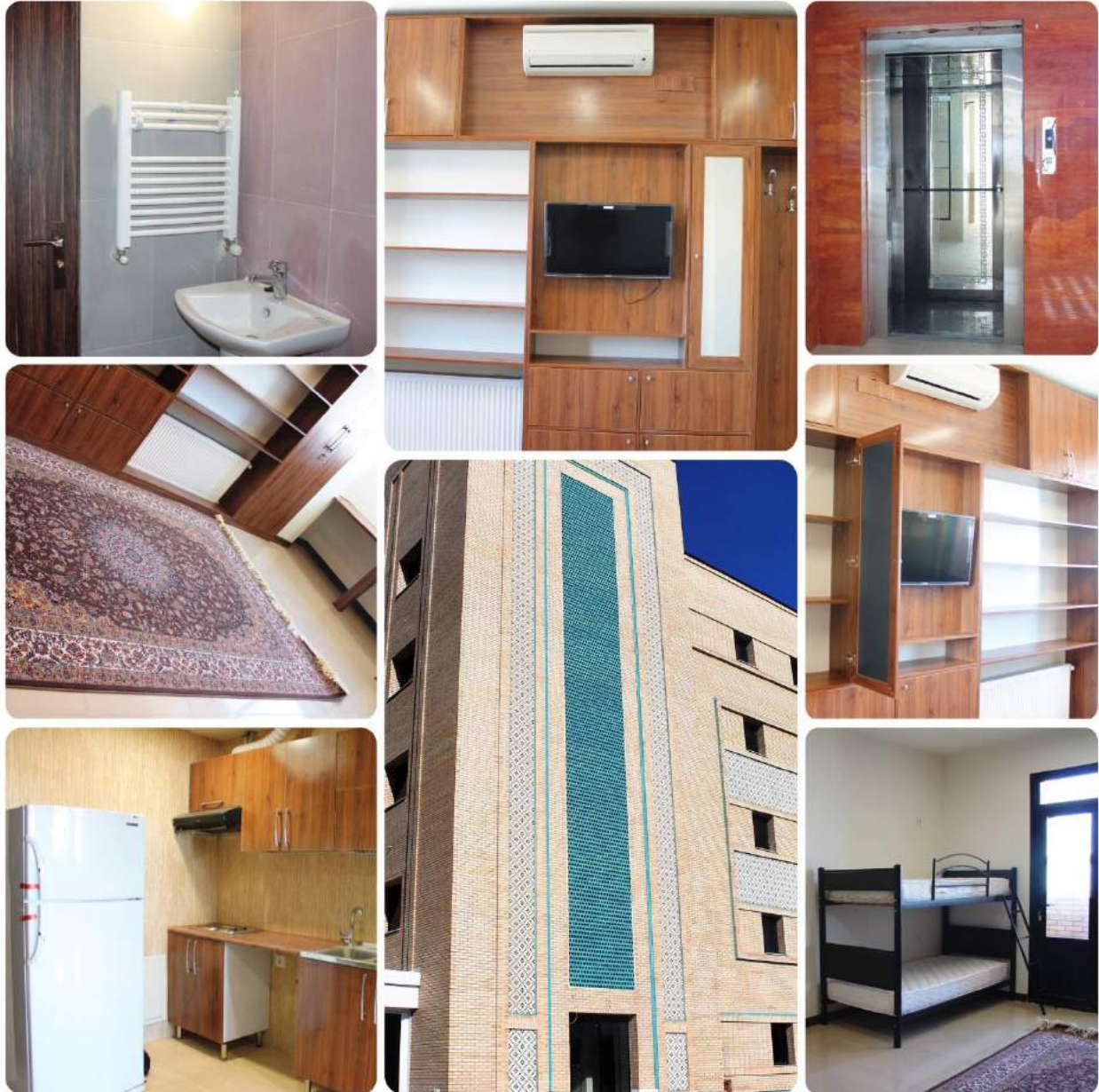
Nikan Student Hotel is very close to International Center of Teaching Persian (ICTP). It is located just in front of ICTP. Therefore, it takes a couple of minutes for students to walk to their classrooms from this residence. The facilities within this accommodation can be summarized as follows:



Nikan Student Hotel Accommodation Overview	
Type of rooms	Master en-suite <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ A bedroom that has two double deck beds with a wardrobe and shelves. ❖ The rooms are fully furnished with carpets and curtains.
Facilities included in your room	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ A Living room with sofa, carpet, coffee table, desk, shoe-storage, mirror, lamps, LED TV, and shared washing machine. ❖ The accommodation is self-catered but all rooms have a kitchen fully equipped with cookers, hood, fridge/freezers, cabinets, and bins. ❖ En-suite shower room with toilet and sink.
Internet Access	Yes (Wi-Fi access)
Gym membership and Sports facilities	Yes (on the university campus, under the supervision of the University of Isfahan Physical Education Office)
Heating	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Heating is provided by gas central heating and radiators. ❖ There are also modern air conditioners in the rooms.
Lift	Yes
Smoking	No (<u>Smoking is prohibited in all of our accommodation</u>)
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The rooms are secured with fire alarm systems ❖ Gas, electricity and water bills are included as part of the rent. ❖ Customer service desk on the university campus with onsite staff to help with any issues.
Also available at the campus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Hypermarkets ❖ Fruit shops ❖ Cafés ❖ Restaurants ❖ Banks ❖ ATM machine ❖ Laundry ❖ Vending machine ❖ Dry cleaning center

2. Shams Student Hotel

Like Nikan, Shams is also a very close option for ICTP students. It is also located just in front of ICTP. It takes a couple of minutes for students to walk to their classrooms. The facilities within this accommodation can be summarized as follows:



Shams Student Hotel Accommodation Overview	
Type of rooms	Master en-suite <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ A bedroom that has a double deck bed with a wardrobe and shelves. ❖ The rooms are fully furnished with carpets and curtains.
Facilities included in your room	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Two bedroom suite with sofa, carpet, coffee table, desk, shoe-storage, mirror, lamps, LED TV, and shared washing machine. ❖ The accommodation is self-catered but all rooms have a kitchen fully equipped with cookers, hood, kettle, fridge/freezers, cabinets, and bins. ❖ En-suite shower room with toilet and sink.
Internet Access	Yes (Wi-Fi access)
Gym membership and Sports facilities	Yes (on the university campus, under the supervision of the University of Isfahan Physical Education Office)
Heating	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Heating is provided by gas central heating and radiators. ❖ There are also modern air conditioners in the rooms.
Lift	Yes
Smoking	No (<u>Smoking is prohibited in all of our accommodation</u>)
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The rooms are secured with fire alarm systems ❖ Gas, electricity and water bills are included as part of the rent. ❖ Customer service desk on the university campus with onsite staff to help with any issues.
Also available at the campus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Hypermarkets ❖ Fruit shops ❖ Cafés ❖ Restaurants ❖ Banks ❖ ATM machine ❖ Laundry ❖ Vending machine ❖ Dry cleaning center

3. Payambar Azam Student Hotel

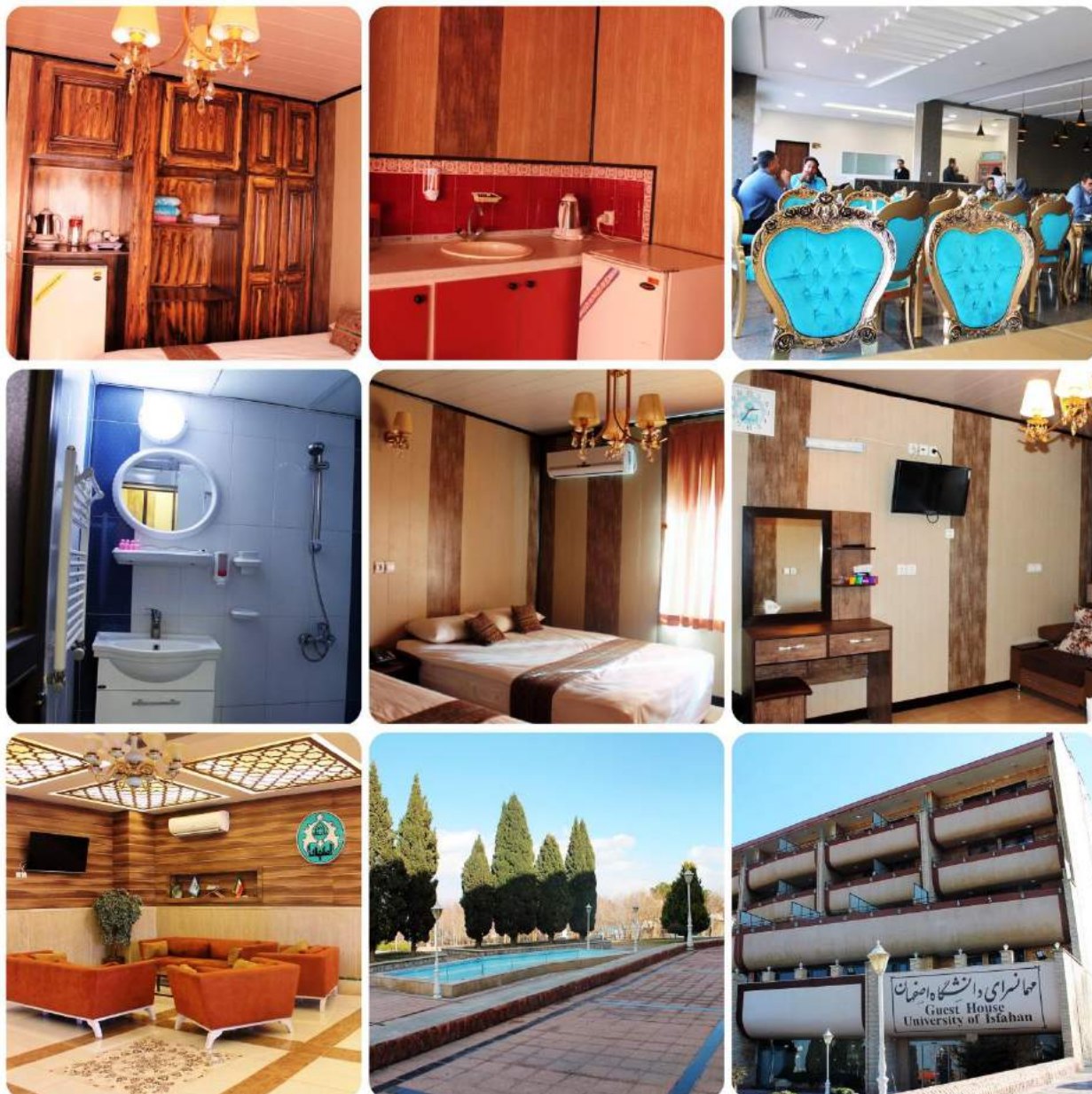
Payambar Azam Student Hotel has 17 master en-suite rooms with an area of about 50m². It is located on the university campus in the vicinity of Pakdel housing complex which makes it more convenient for couples and females. The facilities within this accommodation can be summarized as follows:



Payambar Azam Student Hotel Accommodation Overview	
Type of rooms	Master en-suite <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ A bedroom with two four-foot beds and a wardrobe. ❖ The rooms are fully furnished with carpets and curtains.
Facilities included in your room	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ A Living room with sofa, carpet, coffee table, bookshelves, desk, shoe-storage, mirror, lamps, an LED TV, and a shared washing machine. ❖ Kitchen fully equipped with cooker, cooking utensils, fridge/freezers, cabinets, and bins. ❖ En-suite shower room with toilet and sink.
Internet Access	Yes (Wi-Fi access)
Gym membership and Sports facilities	Yes (on the university campus, under the supervision of the University of Isfahan Physical Education Office)
Heating	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Heating is provided by gas central heating and radiators. ❖ There are also modern air conditioners in the rooms.
Lift	Yes
Smoking	No (<u>Smoking is prohibited in all of our accommodation</u>)
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The rooms are secured with fire alarm systems ❖ Gas, electricity and water bills are included as part of the rent. ❖ Customer service desk on the university campus with onsite staff to help with any issues.
Also available at the campus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Hypermarkets ❖ Fruit shops ❖ Cafés ❖ Restaurants ❖ Banks ❖ ATM machine ❖ Laundry ❖ Vending machine ❖ Dry cleaning center

4. University of Isfahan Hotel ★★★★★

The University of Isfahan Hotel is a three and half star hotel located in the heart of the university campus. The facilities in this residence are of high quality. It has 36 fully equipped en-suite rooms for the applicants. The rooms in this accommodation are of two types: *standard en-suite* and *studio en-suite* rooms. The facilities within this accommodation can be summarized as follows:



University of Isfahan Hotel Accommodation Overview	
Type of rooms	<p>Standard en-suite</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A bedroom that has a double bed, single bed, and a convertible sofa bed with a wardrobe, hair dryer, makeup vanity, an LED TV, towels, shelves, daily cleaning service, charged laundry service . ➤ The rooms are fully furnished with carpets and curtains.
	<p>Studio en-suite</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ A bedroom that has a four-foot bed and a double bed with a wardrobe, desk, shelves and an LED TV in the bedroom. ❖ The rooms are fully furnished with carpets and curtains.
Facilities included in your room	<p>Standard en-suite</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ En-suite shower room with toilet and sink. ➤ Kettle, fridge/freezers, cabinets, and bins in the bedroom.
	<p>Studio en-suite</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ A Living room with sofa, carpet, coffee table, bookshelves, desk, shoe-storage, mirror, lamps, and an LED TV. ❖ Kitchen fully equipped with kettle, tea maker, fridge/freezers, cabinets, and bins. ❖ En-suite shower room with toilet and sink.
Included in communal areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Lobby with table, chairs, sofas, easy chairs, ATM, and an LED TV. ❖ A reception with customer service desk with on-site staff.
Internet Access	Yes (Wi-Fi access)
Gym membership and Sports facilities	Yes (on the university campus, under the supervision of the University of Isfahan Physical Education Office)
Heating	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Heating is provided by gas central heating and radiators. ❖ There are also modern air conditioners in the rooms. ❖ Towel rail radiators.
Lift	Yes
Smoking	No (<u>Smoking is prohibited in all of our accommodation</u>)
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The rooms are secured with fire alarm systems ❖ Gas, electricity and water bills are included as part of the rent. ❖ In this residence, there is a very good restaurant that serve high quality Iranian and international foods.
Also available at the campus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Hypermarkets ❖ Fruit shops ❖ Cafés ❖ Restaurants

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Banks❖ ATM machine❖ Laundry❖ Vending machine❖ Dry cleaning center
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No	Accommodation			One-Night Stay		One-Month Stay ¹		Two-Month Stay ^{2,3}	
						10% OFF		15% OFF	
1	Students' Dormitories Men/Women one room - bed - sleeping & comfort accessories - refrigerator - shared bath, toilet, and kitchen	En-suite room shared with 3 students	bed	2	\$	-	-	-	-
2	Nikan Student Hotel Men 4 bed suite - living room and bedroom - desk and chair - kitchen – oven - en-suite bath and toilet - TV - air conditioner - radiators - lift - shared washing machine and vending machine	En-suite room shared with 4 students	bed	2.8	\$	76	\$	144	\$
			suite	11.5	\$	304.5	\$	575	\$
3	Shams Student Hotel Men 2 bedroom suite with a double deck bed - each bedroom has beds and other sleeping & comfort accessories - kitchen - oven - en-suite bath and toilet - table and chair - TV - air conditioner - lift - shared washing machine and vending machine	En-suite room shared with 2 students	bed	4.5	\$	122	\$	230	\$
			room	9	\$	243.5	\$	460	\$
4	Shams Student Hotel Men 2 bedroom suite with 3 beds in each - each bedroom has beds and other sleeping & comfort accessories - kitchen - oven - en-suite bath and toilet - table and chair - TV - air conditioner - lift - shared washing machine and vending machine	En-suite room shared with 3 students	bed	3.4	\$	91.5	\$	172.5	\$
			room	10.2	\$	274	\$	517.5	\$

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3. An extra 15% discount will be given to Persian learners who apply or are sent in groups (4+) and will stay for more than one month.

No	Accommodation	One-Night Stay		One-Month Stay ¹		Two-Month Stay ^{2,3}			
				10% OFF		15% OFF			
1	Payambar Azam Student Hotel Women 2 bed suite - living room and bedroom - kitchen - oven - en-suite bath and toilet - TV - air conditioner - radiators	2 bed En-suite room	bed	6.8	\$	183	\$	345	\$
			room	13.6	\$	365.5	\$	690	\$
2	Payambar Azam Student Hotel Women 3 bed suite - living room and bedroom - kitchen - oven - en-suite bath and toilet - TV - air conditioner - radiators	3 bed En-suite room	bed	5.1	\$	137	\$	259	\$
			suite	15.5	\$	411	\$	776	\$
3	Payambar Azam Student Hotel Couples 2 bed suite - living room and bedroom - kitchen - oven - en-suite bath and toilet - TV - air conditioner - radiators	Married Suite	bed	---	\$	---	\$	---	\$
			room	7	\$	183	\$	345	\$
4	University of Isfahan Hotel ^{*****} Double bed + single bed + convertible sofa bed - living room and bedroom - kitchen - en-suite bath and toilet - towel rail radiators - radiators - TV - air conditioner - breakfast inclusive - customer service desk - lift - tea maker - hair dryer - towels - daily cleaning service - charged laundry service and restaurant - vending machine - ATM machine	Studio rooms	bed	8	\$	213	\$	402.5	\$
			room	18.1	\$	487	\$	920	\$

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