Department of Management Information Systems
✓ *Preface*

Location of MIS Department in Faculty of Administration was historically appropriate, and it is desirable to maintain a continued close relationship. However, with the development of the discipline into a broad-based subject area with developing links to Information Technology (Computers, Networks, Software, etc.) it was important to separate the department from its administrative roots. This has allowed the MIS curricula to expand to reflect the wider disciplines.

Philadelphia University was established in 1989, and accepted the first batch of students during the academic year 1991/1992. Faculty of IT was established in 2000, and accepted the first batch during the academic year 2000/2001. Management Information Systems (MIS) Department was established and accepted its first batch of students during the academic year 2000/2001, and was graduated in 2004. MIS department was established in Faculty of IT to give the strength of Information Technology in fulfillment of the department aims and objectives.

✓ *What is MIS?*

Management Information Systems (MIS) refers broadly to a computer-based system that provides managers with the tools for organizing, evaluating and efficiently running their departments. In order to provide past, present and prediction information, an MIS can include software that helps in decision making, data resources such as databases, the hardware resources of a system, decision support systems, people management and project management applications, and any computerized processes that enable the department to run efficiently.

✓ *MIS Mission*

The mission of MIS department at Faculty of IT, Philadelphia University is to develop graduates who leverage information technology for strategic business values.

MIS department prepares graduates for a challenging and rewarding career in the design, development and implementation of information systems.

✓ *MIS goals and objectives*

The MIS department aims to provide the IT/IS market with business graduates who can contribute significantly in the management, planning, design and implementation of information systems. It is committed to playing a significant role in the continuous creation, renewal and dissemination of knowledge in the discipline of Information Systems, with particular emphasis in Jordan and the Middle-East where the Department and the Academy are located.

✓ *Staff and Students*

There are a number of full-time members of academic staff in the Department, in addition to the administrative and technical support staff. The Department is expected to have more faculty members for next year. Teaching is our first concern at Management Information Systems Department, where the spirit of information technology is truly implemented far from the complications of theoretical computer science. The new world economy is more dependent on people who can use the computer and develop existing systems. Our faculty members have strong back ground in computer-based management and administration. Most of our staff received their degrees from various European and US universities. The Department applies a rigorous and effective recruitment procedure (each applicant should qualify for an interview and give a presentation). The number of students is approximately 350. However, we are expected to grow next year . Visiting lecturers are encouraged and contribute to the intellectual and social life of the Department. Staff and students together form a lively community and a stimulating learning and working environment.

✓ *Education and researches*

Excellent teaching, Increase the research output and sponsored projects/programs, Encourage the "questioning spirit", Offer an extensive range of academic subjects in information systems including programming, database, networks, operating systems, analysis and design, object-orientation, discrete math, and decision support systems, Establish an inter-relationship between staff members and students, Enhance the ability of students to learn throughout life.

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