



## 1835

American Presbyterian missionary Sara L. Smith establishes the first school for girls in the Ottoman Empire.



# 1904

Sarah L. Smith's pioneering efforts pave the way toward instituting the American School for Girls.



# 1924

The American Junior College for Women (AJCW) is founded with a class of eight students.



# 1933

The cornerstone of LAU's oldest building, Sage Hall, is laid.



# 1948-1949

The name of the college is changed to Beirut College for Women (BCW).



# 2009

LAU acquires majority holdings of Hôpital Rizk, and begins developing the Lebanese American University Medical Center-Rizk Hospital (LAUMC-RH).



LAU is granted full accreditation by the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE).



The Gilbert and Rose-Marie Chagoury School of Medicine welcomes its first class of students.



# 2009-2010

The School of Engineering's undergraduate programs and the School of Arts and Sciences' BS in Computer Science receive accreditation by the Engineering Accreditation Commission (ABET).



## 1950

New buildings are completed and named in honor of early leaders: Frances Irwin, Winifred Shannon and James Nicol.

The Board of Regents of the University of the State of New York grants BCW a provisional charter.



# 1955

BCW is granted an absolute charter.



# 1965

The dormitory building is named in honor of BCW presidents Rhoda Orme and Frances Gray.



# 1973

The college becomes co-educational and changes its name to Beirut University College (BUC).



# 1985

The board of Regents in New York amends the charter to transform the college into a multi-campus institution.



# 2010

The Alice Ramez Chagoury School of Nursing welcomes its first class.



# 2011

The Frem Civic Center is inaugurated on the Byblos campus.



# 2012

LAU acquires Gezairi Transport's former headquarters to host the School of Architecture and Design.



# 2013

LAU's New York HQ and Academic Center is inaugurated in midtown Manhattan.



The BS in Nursing is accredited by the Collegiate Commission on Nursing Education (CCNE).



The LAU Executive Center@Solidere opens in downtown Beirut.



1991

Classes begin on the Byblos campus.



#### 1994

The Board of Regents approves the new name of Lebanese American University, and the charter is amended to include master's degrees.

LAU has four schools: Arts and Sciences, Business, Engineering and Architecture, and the School of Pharmacy, inaugurated this year.



# 1999

The Lebanese government grants LAU a license to operate a medical school and a nursing school.



# 2002

The PharmD program becomes the only one outside the United States to earn accreditation by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE).



# 2004

After extensive renovations funded by the Safadi Foundation, the Safadi Fine Arts Building in Beirut is re-dedicated.



# 2014

The Gilbert and Rose-Marie Chagoury Health Sciences Center is inaugurated to host the schools of Medicine, Pharmacy and Nursing.



# 2016

The newly-named Adnan Kassar School of Business receives accreditation from the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB).



# 2017

A groundbreaking ceremony kicks off the construction of the Antoun Nabil Sehnaoui - SGBL Athletics Center.



The BA in Fashion
Design in collaboration
with ELIE SAAB
celebrates its first
graduating class with
a highly anticipated
fashion show.



# 2018

The LAU Louis Cardahi Foundation is inaugurated next to St. Jean-Marc Church in historic Byblos.



The Fouad Makhzoumi Innovation Center was established as a hub for the incubation and acceleration of bold new ideas.





The Lebanese American University (LAU) is a leading private higher education institution in Lebanon. It operates under a charter from the Board of Regents of the University of the State of New York and is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE). LAU's standing has been recognized by various ranking surveys. QS named it No. 2 in Lebanon in its Arab Region University Rankings 2019, and one of only two institutions to feature on its Graduate Employability survey in Lebanon. Times Higher Education listed LAU as one of only two ranked institutions in Lebanon.

With roots extending back more than **180 years**, the institution has a long history in serving the needs of Lebanon and the Middle East. It began as a girls' school in 1835, then became a women's college in 1924, and eventually a co-ed university in 1973.

Today, LAU is comprised of **seven schools**, along with **20 centers and institutes** between its campuses in Beirut and Byblos. LAU is governed by a Board of Trustees that oversees the primary functions of leadership, stewardship and auditing.



# AT A GLANCE

- **183** years of history
- 78 nationalities represented in the student body
- **8,500+** students
- 2 campuses
- 7 schools
- 1 headquarters and academic center in New York
- 1 medical center
- 1 executive center
- **42** chapters
- **41.000**+ alumni



LAU's campuses provide a safe and sustainable environment; its physical facilities include the following amenities and features:

- Academic spaces such as smart and lecture capture classrooms, laboratories, computer labs, workshops and research labs
- Academic support spaces housing institutes, centers, and seminar rooms
- State-of-the art library spaces
- Common spaces such as theaters, video-conferencing rooms, multi-purpose rooms, exhibition halls, etc.
- Students' housing spaces providing a safe student life environment

- Recreational and athletics spaces accommodating cafeterias, cyber cafes, student lounges, music rooms, recreational rooms, swimming pool, indoor and outdoor basketball and tennis courts, gymnasiums, dancing rooms, multipurpose activities rooms, and fitness centers
- Parking spaces for vehicles, disabled access and bike racks

LAU's campuses offer similarly structured programs in the arts, sciences and business. The nursing and medicine programs, as well as junior and senior engineering and pharmacy courses, are offered exclusively in Byblos.





The Beirut campus is located in Quraytem, Ras Beirut, in the vicinity of Hamra.

27,500 square meters land

13 buildings

72,098 square meters built-up area

It provides a perfect study, safe and friendly place for an active learning environment. It is a vibrant mix of old sandstone buildings and modern architecture. The university leases spaces of **5,422 square meters** to provide different functions to meet the space needs of different entities.





The Byblos campus is situated in the hillside Blat district, overlooking the ancient city of Byblos and the Mediterranean Sea. The site has developed steadily since its inception in 1987 hosting LAU's seven schools:

317,643 square meters land

18 buildings

96,974 square meters built-up area

As they are situated approximately **43 kilometers** apart from each other, LAU provides its community with transportation services between both campuses.





**LAU New York** was inaugurated in September 2013, in a historic move reflecting the university's growing global stature as a bridge between the United States and the Middle East.

The **2,400** square meters facility, located at 211 East 46th Street in **Manhattan**, is spread across three floors housing 10 classrooms, business and admissions offices, and a library. It is also home to University Advancement staff.

As the first of its kind for any Middle East-based university, the center is making progress on its mission to facilitate cross-cultural exchange by regularly hosting public lectures, book discussions, performances, workshops, and conferences involving leading scholars and artists.

The center presents a unique opportunity for American students to gain insight into Lebanon and the Middle East under a familiar educational system. It also serves as a hub for LAU students to visit New York City and gain first-hand exposure to businesses, industries, executives and thought leaders.

Since 2014, the center has been offering courses in Arabic, architecture and urban design, finance, marketing, and management. LAU is in the process of expanding its academic offerings and initiating partnerships with U.S. universities.



# LAU LOUIS CARDAHI FOUNDATION



Entrusted to LAU by the Cardahi family in 2013, the LAU Louis Cardahi Foundation preserves historical artifacts, publications, and digital collections focusing on Byblos, one of the oldest cities in the world and a UNESCO World Heritage site. In collaboration with EU entities and city authorities, the foundation has embarked on important projects touching on the long and rich history of the area.

Chief among such projects are two historical routes — Umayyad and Phoenician — which have lead to a variety of talks, visits, and collaboration with officials and researchers from various countries.

The foundation's headquarters — a picturesque limestone-clad building — is nestled in the St. Jean-Marc quarter of Byblos, a short drive from LAU's campus.

# EXECUTIVE CENTER @SOLIDERE



Located in **Beirut Central District** since 2013, the **LAU Executive Center at Solidere** serves as a knowledge hub featuring fully equipped classrooms, an architecture design studio, faculty offices, a conference room, and a comfortable lounge. The facility provides an optimum space for the university's **EMBA**, **Architecture**, and **CE programs**, as well as accommodates LAU's centers, institutes and units' workshops, programs, conferences and seminars.

Spread across 600 square meters at 1301 Marfaa, Beyhum Street, in the heart of Downtown Beirut, the Center offers students a chance to gain first-hand knowledge in a well-equipped and engaging environment. It also demonstrates LAU's commitment to expanding and providing academic opportunities beyond the traditional campus model. It is a unique resource that adds a special dimension to the quality education offered by LAU.



# **ACCREDITATION AND AFFILIATIONS**

In addition to its NECHE accreditation, LAU has sought out further accreditation and affiliation through industry-specific organizations to ensure students receive the highest level of education possible.

- The Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE). It was first accredited in 2002 and remains the only ACPE-accredited program outside the United States (www.acpe-accredit.org).
- The Bachelor of Engineering programs in Civil, Computer, Electrical, Industrial and Mechanical Engineering are accredited by Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET) (www.abet.org).
- The Bachelor of Science degree program in Computer Science at LAU is accredited by the Computing Accreditation Commission of ABET (www.abet.org).

- The Bachelor of Science in Nursing is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) (www.aacn.nche.edu/ccne-accreditation).
- The Adnan Kassar School of Business is accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) (www.aacsb.edu) and currently offers these programs: BS in Business, BS in Economics, BS in Hospitality and Tourism Management, Master of Business Administration (MBA) and Executive Master of Business Administration (EMBA).
- The **Bachelor of Architecture** degree is officially recognized by the French government, as equivalent to the 'Diplôme d'Etat d'Architecte', the professional diploma entitling its holders to practice and apply for professional licensure. The National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB), which accredits all architecture programs in the United States, has recently granted continuing candidacy of the Bachelor of Architecture as of 2018. (www.naab.org).





LAU's undergraduate and graduate degree programs are grouped into **seven schools**:

- · School of Architecture and Design
- · School of Arts and Sciences
- · Adnan Kassar School of Business
- School of Engineering
- Gilbert and Rose-Marie Chagoury School of Medicine
- Alice Ramez Chagoury School of Nursing
- School of Pharmacy

# **ACADEMICS** AT A GLANCE

**61** degree programs

**58** majors

**955** full-time faculty and staff

**62** full-time clinical physicians

**20** centers and institutes

**13:1** student faculty ratio



The **School of Architecture and Design** has emerged as a major center for design education in Lebanon and the region, bringing together a diversity of students and educators, and participating in the growth of a local artistic and design culture that is creative, experimental, and critical.

With a number of design and fine arts programs under one roof, there is a culture of exchange and collaboration among the different programs. Committed to LAU's aim to expand learning opportunities, the school has initiated plans to offer additional master's programs in various fields.

#### PROGRAMS OFFERED:

Bachelor of Architecture (BArch)

(176 credits)

# Bachelor of Arts (BA) in:

- · Fashion Design (130 credits)
- · Fine Arts (92 credits)
- Interior Architecture (Interior Design)
   (139 credits)

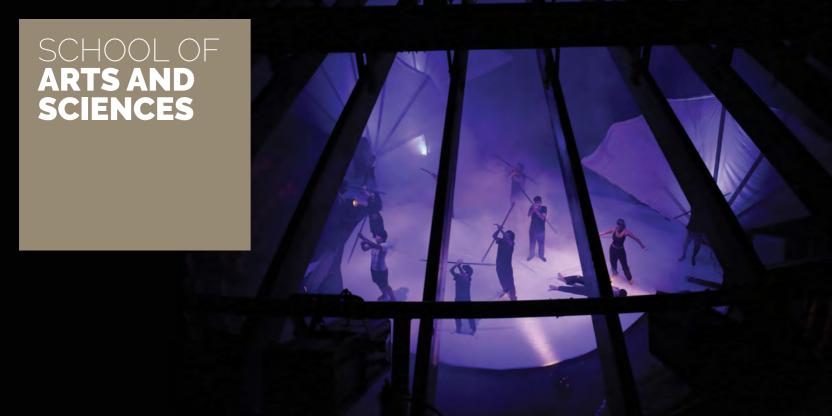
#### Bachelor of Science (BS) in:

- · Graphic Design\* (118 credits)
- · Interior Design (110 credits)

# Mu'taz and Rada Sawwaf Master of Arts (MA) in:

· Islamic Art and Architecture (30 credits)

<sup>\*</sup> Pending completion of registration formalities with the New York State Education Department



#### The School of Arts and Sciences,

LAU's oldest academic unit, embodies the university's liberal arts tradition. Renowned for its broad range of well-established programs, the school takes pride in its dedication to cultivating students' critical thinking and communication skills.

#### PROGRAMS OFFERED

#### Bachelor of Arts (BA) in:

- Arabic Language and Literature, Communication, Education (Elementary Education and Early, Childhood Education) (95 credits each)
- English, History, Multimedia Journalism, Performing Arts (93 credits each)
- Philosophy, Political Science, Political Science/ International Affairs, Psychology, Social Work and Community Development\*, Television & Film, Translation (all programs require completion of 92 credits each, except where otherwise indicated)

#### Bachelor of Science (BS) in:

- · Bioinformatics (104 credits)
- · Biology (96 credits)
- · Chemistry (94 credits)
- · Computer Science (92 credits)
- · Mathematics (92 credits)
- · Nutrition (94 credits)
- Nutrition and Dietetics Coordinated Program (121 credits)

#### Master of Arts (MA) in:

(30 credits each)

- Education
- · International Affairs
- · Migration Studies
- · Interdisciplinary Gender Studies

#### Master of Science (MS) in:

(30 credits each)

- Applied and Computational Mathematics
- · Computer Science
- Molecular Biology

# Teaching Diploma (TD) in:

(21 credits each)

- Elementary Education
- Intermediate and Secondary Education (many fields)

# Diploma in:

• Learning Disabilities and Giftedness (21 credits)



\*This program does not prepare students for the practice of Social Work in New York State. If a graduate of this program seeks to enter a master's level social work program, all decisions regarding advanced standing are made at the discretion of the institution offering the MSW program.



As one of the oldest autonomous American business schools in the Middle East, the **Adnan Kassar School of Business** is committed to excellent teaching, scholarly work, and professional service.

With a diverse and student-centered environment, the innovative and continuously improving school trains students for real-life challenges. Graduates emerge well-rounded, fluent in contemporary business issues, and equipped with the skills and experience they need to compete in the world's economies.

#### PROGRAMS OFFERED

#### Bachelor of Science (BS) in:

- · Business (92 credits) with seven emphases:
- Accounting
- Banking and Finance
- Family and Entrepreneurial Business Management

- Information Technology Management
- International Business
- Management
- Marketing
- · Economics (92 credits)
- Hospitality and Tourism Management (92 credits)

Master of Business Administration (MBA) (39 credits)

**Executive Master of Business Administration (EMBA)** (36 credits)

#### Master of Arts (MA)\* in:

Applied Economics (30 credits)

# Master of Science (MS) in:

• Human Resources Management (30 credits)

#### **LLM** in:

· Business Law\* (30 credits\*\*)



<sup>\*</sup> Pending completion of registration formalities with the New York State Education Department

<sup>\*\*</sup> For students with a Law background



The School of Engineering combines rigorous academics with a dynamic professional foundation that equips talented engineers for success in their professional and civic lives. The school offers a range of courses that are at the forefront of thinking and reflect the latest developments in the field. The integrated style of learning and teaching through laboratory classes, project work, and industry-sponsored fieldwork enables students to become more independent and to think critically.

#### PROGRAMS OFFERED

# Bachelor of Engineering (BE) in:

(150 credits per program)

- · Civil Engineering
- Computer Engineering
- Electrical Engineering
- Industrial Engineering
- · Mechanical Engineering
- Mechatronics Engineering
- · Petroleum Engineering

#### Master of Science (MS) in:

(30 credits per program)

- · Civil and Environmental Engineering
- · Computer Engineering
- Industrial Engineering and Engineering Management

**Pro-Green Diploma** (a minimum of 18 credits offered in partnership with universities in Lebanon and Egypt)





Conceived and designed in collaboration with Harvard Medical International, the **Gilbert and Rose-Marie Chagoury School of Medicine** offers a multidisciplinary American-model curriculum that provides students with a vibrant, intellectually stimulating setting. It fosters critical and analytical thinking through problem-based learning and small group teaching, promotes lifelong learning, and employs new pedagogical evaluation and assessment tools.

The school prepares students for the challenges of real-world situations through its many resources, including the school's cutting-edge Clinical Simulation Center and its clinical and basic sciences research lab. Furthermore, students can gain training and earn scholarships through the school's local and international affiliations in research and clinical medicine.

#### PROGRAMS OFFFRED

Doctor of Medicine (MD)\*





The Alice Ramez Chagoury School of Nursing boasts a comprehensive and intellectually challenging curriculum that emphasizes professional nursing standards, patient-centered care, and ethical practice. Built on a liberal arts foundation, the curriculum complements nursing science with knowledge from the biomedical and social sciences, which allows graduates to pursue licensure as registered nurses in Lebanon and around the world.

Demonstrating the school's excellence in educating its students, the majority of our graduates are hired immediately upon graduation, going on to top hospitals and NGOs across Lebanon. Some have already enrolled in graduate studies in high-ranking universities in Lebanon and abroad.

#### PROGRAMS OFFFRED

#### Bachelor of Science (BS) in:

· Nursing (103 credits)





The School of Pharmacy offers unique educational programs that emphasize biomedical, pharmaceutical, social, behavioral, administrative and clinical sciences, as well as leadership, professionalism, soft skills and cultural sensitivity that are essential to advance patient care and ethically serve society.

Its graduates, who have maintained over the past five years an average pass rate of 93 percent on the North American Pharmacy Licensing Exam (NAPLEX®) and 100 percent on the Lebanese Colloquium, is a clear evidence of the school's highest academic standards. Graduates of the School of Pharmacy are well positioned to pursue graduate studies, postgraduate residency training, or work in diverse fields such as community and hospital pharmacies, clinical settings, pharmaceutical sales and industry, and academia.

Bachelor of Science (BS) in:

· Pharmacy (174 credits)

**Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD)** 

(201 credits)





The **Graduate Studies & Research (GSR)** office supports the Research Community at LAU to establish the University as a regionally and internationally recognized research institution; furthermore the Office promotes and hosts innovative interdisciplinary graduate programs.

The GSR Office seeks to establish interdisciplinary graduate programs in strategic areas. The GSR Office provides LAU Research Community with the support to develop a diverse range of research programs and manage external research grants.

The GSR office ensures through the Office of the Institutional Review Board (IRB) and its board members internal oversight and compliance related to the performance and ethical conduct of research involving human participants, as well as appropriate management of any potential conflict of interest that might affect the conduct of the research.

#### PROGRAMS OFFERED

**Executive MA in Actuarial Science** (36 credits), offered jointly by the School of Arts and Sciences and the Adnan Kassar School of Business





LAU's Beirut, Byblos and Health Sciences libraries are well-equipped to meet students' needs, with spacious facilities that include conference rooms, computer centers, group study areas, and open stacks of 509,382 books in total. In addition, the libraries offer 329,988 e-books, 75,665 e-journals, and 165 databases, ensuring that students, faculty and staff have an ample of scholarly resources at their fingertips.



The libraries are also able to secure on-demand materials otherwise unavailable in Lebanon through agreements with institutions abroad. The libraries offer individual instruction, orientation, training sessions, and research assistance to help users find the resources they need. Computer facilities include iPads, laptops, e-readers, scanners, printers and 190 public computers, in addition to a comprehensive audiovisual collection and practical teaching resources for education students.

The Riyad Nassar Library in Beirut houses a number of special collections relevant to women's studies, education, Islamic art, and architecture, as well as the oldest collection of children's books in Lebanon.

# **LIBRARIES**AT A GLANCE

509,382 print volumes

329,988 electronic books

print/microform serial subscriptions

**75,665** full-text electronic journals

**165** online databases

**14,382** total media materials

Collections 2016-2017



The university's expansion into the field of medical education was buttressed by the acquisition of the **Lebanese American University Medical Center–Rizk Hospital**. LAU is in the process of transforming this medical campus in the heart of Beirut from a city hospital into a modern university hospital, clinical teaching venue, and research institution. These major renovations are part of a master plan expected to be completed in the near future.

**LAUMC-RH** is designed to support LAU's Schools of Medicine, Nursing, and Pharmacy by providing clinical facilities and services for teaching and training. The hospital also serves as a place of learning for students enrolled in the nutrition program run by the School of Arts and Sciences. LAU and its Medical Center-Rizk Hospital are also the home of **62 full-time clinical physicians**.





### **STUDENTS**

Exemplifying diversity and community spirit, LAU's student body is one of the university's major assets. Seventy-eight nationalities, as well as students from all of Lebanon's diverse cultural backgrounds, are represented on both campuses.

### INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

The growing number of international applicants attests to LAU's rising reputation for academic excellence. In fall 2017, 18 percent of the student population hailed from outside Lebanon.

## **ENROLLMENT**

GENDER	NUMBER OF STUDENTS*			
	BEIRUT	BYBLOS	TOTAL	
Male	2,111	2,069	4,180	
Female	2,569	1,779	4,348	
TOTAL	4,680	3,848	8,528	

<sup>\*</sup> Census date figures for fall 2017



SCHOOL	NUMBER OF STUDENTS*		
SCHOOL	BEIRUT	BYBLOS	TOTAL
School of Architecture and Design	509	386	895
School of Arts and Sciences	1,769	783	2,552
Adnan Kassar School of Business	2,032	661	2,693
School of Engineering	201	1,293	1,494
Gilbert and Rose-Marie Chagoury School of Medcine	-	204	204
Alice Ramez Chagoury School of Nursing	17	76	93
School of Pharmacy	58	416	474
Graduate Studies and Research	6	-	6
No College Designated	88	29	117
TOTAL	4,680	3,848	8,528

<sup>\*</sup> Census date figures for fall 2017

# FINANCIAL AID & COST



allocated for **scholarships and financial aid opportunities** in the upcoming academic year

Coverage ranges

FROM 10% TO 100% of tuition



benefit from athletic scholarships

### 80+ STUDENTS

benefit from **merit scholarships** (100% of tuition)

Scholarships are offered to students with **HIGH** 

**AVERAGE** in Lebanese French, or

Lebanese French, or International Baccalaureate (50%–100% of tuition)

## 1,100+ STUDENTS

receive entrance, SAT, baccalaureate and honor scholarships (10%–50% of tuition)

## Nearly **48%**OF STUDENTS

benefit from one or more forms of financial aid and scholarships

Scholarships are offered to students with

## HIGH SAT SCORES

(50% of tuition)

## 300+ STUDENTS

receive full scholarships from USAID/MEPI



### FINANCIAL AID & SCHOLARSHIPS

In an effort to promote universal academic excellence, LAU provides a comprehensive merit- and need-based financial aid program. Eligible students receive packages commensurate with a combined assessment of their academic and financial status. Financial aid is granted in the form of merit scholarships, work-aid, loans, and grants.

For the 2017-2018 academic year, LAU increased its financial aid budget by 5 percent. Over \$35,000,000 funded approximately 3,700 students. 93 students received merit scholarships while 84 received a Middle East Partnership Initiative (MEPI) grant in fall 2017. Additionally, 265 incoming LAU students were awarded entrance scholarships in fall 2017.

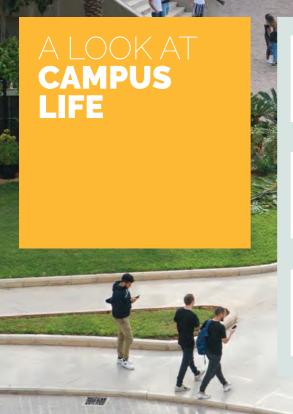
### **TUITION**

For the academic year 2017-2018, the average undergraduate tuition amount is \$19,004 per year and the average graduate tuition is \$13,052 year. Annual tuition fees for doctoral-professional practice programs amount to \$31,650 for students in the school of Medicine, and \$24,635 for PharmD students.

### BUDGET

LAU's budget for 2017-2018 is **\$188,556,664**, a 5 percent increase on the previous year's budget of \$179,185,659, reflecting the university's dynamic growth and expansion. LAU sources funding from tuition and student fees, private gifts, government grants, fundraising and endowments.





33

varsity teams

80

intramural games annually across 6 different sports 85

international sports matches annually 7

international athletic trips each year 350+

extracurricular activities

38

community service events and activities

90 clubs

53

awareness campaigns 20

annual student productions

**15** 

major theatre, music and dance productions each year

2

student film screenings and 1 faculty film screenings 4

career and internship fairs

3

annual festivals coordinated by the performing arts program 1

performing arts summer camp

series

of workshops, panel discussions, trainings and events Through the university's vibrant student life, students develop leadership skills and community awareness as well as grow academically, intellectually, and socially. Student life includes various extracurricular activities, clubs, athletic and sporting events, and academic groups.



### **ACTIVITIES**

Coordinated by the Office of the Dean of Students, a diverse range of activities and clubs are offered and include everything from culture and sports to human rights and the arts. These events provide students with outlets to enjoy their hobbies, and to interact with their community and help develop entrepreneur, civic and leadership skills.

### **ATHLETICS**

The LAU Athletics Office organizes intercollegiate, intramural, high school, and international tournaments, in addition to arranging students' participation in local, regional, and international events.

Athletic and varsity sports include basketball, soccer, futsal, volleyball, swimming, Taekwondo, and tennis among many others.





### **FACULTY**

LAU's strategic plan significantly raised the bar of faculty qualifications. Out of **318 full-time faculty members**. The approximate student–faculty ratio on both campuses is **13:1** (full-time equivalents for fall 2017).

77 percent hold doctorates or the highest degree in their field:



- The university's faculty is remarkably diverse:



### STAFF

With **637 full-time staff members**, LAU is among the largest private employers in Lebanon and one of the fastest-growing universities in the region.

The staff has grown steadily over the years, with new talent increasingly attracted to LAU's positive work environment and excellent employee benefits package. Key service areas include student development and enrollment management, information technology, advancement, administration, human resources, and marketing and communications.

	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
MANAGEMENT	51	35	86
PROFESSIONAL	130	259	389
NON-PROFESSIONAL	124	38	162
TOTAL	305	332	637

# **CENTERS** & INSTITUTES

LAU is home to **20 centers and institutes** that provide students, professionals and scholars with conferences, workshops, seminars and training programs throughout the year. Students have a unique opportunity to gain specialized knowledge through these centers and institutes and to collaborate and network with renowned researchers, faculty, and professionals from LAU and around the world. To learn more about LAU's centers and institutes, visit www.lau.edu.lb/centers-institutes.



### LAU HOSTS 20 CENTERS AND INSTITUTES:

- · LAU Fouad Makhzoumi Innovation Center LAU FMIC
- · Center for Lebanese Heritage
- · CISCO Institute
- · Institute for Banking and Finance
- · Institute for Human Genetics
- Institute of Human Resources
- · Institute for Migration Studies
- · The Arab Institute for Women
- Institute of Family and Entrepreneurial Business
- Institute of Hospitality and Tourism Management Studies
- Institute of Islamic Art and Architecture
- · Institute for Media, Research and Training
- Software Institute
- Teacher Training Institute
- Urban Planning Institute
- Institute for Social Justice and Conflict Resolution
- · Center for Lebanese Studies
- · Center for Innovative Learning
- · Clinical Simulation Center
- Early Childhood Center

# THE ARAB INSTITUTE FOR WOMEN

The Arab Institute for Women (AiW) was established in **1973**, building upon LAU's rich history as a school for women. It blends academia and activism, seeking to advance women's empowerment and gender equality through education, research, development programs and outreach at the national, regional, and international levels.

AiW supports academic programs such as the MA in Interdisciplinary Gender Studies—the first of its kind in Lebanon—as well as a minor in gender studies, offered at LAU's School of Arts and Science under the Department of Social Sciences.

The Institute also established a certificate program on **Gender in Development** and **Humanitarian Assistance** for mid-career professionals offered through LAU's Continuing Education.

The bi-annual journal **Al-Raida** (The Pioneer) serves as a space for researchers, policy makers, practitioners, and students to address gender and women's issues in the Arab world – it is now fully available online. AiW also hosts visiting researchers and scholars who wish to pursue their own gender-focused research.

The institute collaborates with national and international organizations on development programs. Notably, its long-standing program, **Qudwa**, promotes basic living skills and bolsters Arab women's capacities in all aspects of their lives.

AiW organizes conferences and routinely engages the LAU community through events such as "Food 4 Thought," an informal monthly discussion on gender issues for LAU students in Beirut and Byblos.

For more information on AiW or to access its journal, visit aiw.lau.edu.lb.

## LAU FOUAD MAKHZOUMI INNOVATION CENTER

In response to changes brought by the Fourth Industrial Revolution, LAU has begun work on the Fouad Makhzoumi Innovation Center, which will be the hub for entrepreneurial innovations. Housed on the Beirut campus, the center was made possible through a generous donation from its benefactor.

The goal of the center, which will also serve as an accelerator, is to leverage the creative talents and entrepreneurial ambitions of students by seeding ideas, incubating them and accelerating their passage to market. The center will encourage

technology-driven entrepreneurship, reduce the brain drain, and create an ecosystem of creativity and growth.

The two pillars of the Fouad Makhzoumi Innovation Center, entrepreneurship and academia, are also part and parcel of LAU's mission to lead its community, the country and region in technological and social advancement.



# CLINICAL SIMULATION CENTER

LAU's Clinical Simulation Center (CSC) is a regional leader in simulation-based education, providing hands-on training for health sciences students in a safe. environment, as well as Continuing Medical Education programs for community physicians, nurses, paramedics, and the public. The CSC offers a number of courses that allow professionals to practice in simulated clinical and emergency situations. The center is home to cutting-edge, advanced equipment that helps budding and established medical professionals in all fields.



## SINARC ARABIC LANGUAGE AND CULTURE PROGRAM

SINARC, the Arabic language and culture program at the Lebanese American University (LAU), offers intensive courses in Modern Standard Arabic (MSA) and the Levantine dialect at all levels. The program's unique success is due to its reliance on three pillars: academic rigor, cultural immersion and personalized attention.

Classes are offered year round on LAU's Beirut campus with up to 14 transferable credits per semester. In addition, the six-week Intensive Summer Program provides the opportunity for students to be immersed in Arabic language and culture, to travel to historic and cultural sites around Lebanon.

and to earn up to 8 transferrable credits. Students can also join LAU volunteers working with dozens of NGO's engaged in relief work across the country. SINARC also offers specialized one-on-one packages for the diplomatic corps.

LAU's New York Headquarters in the heart of Manhattan also offers classes in MSA and dialect for all levels on a for-credit or non-credit basis.

For more information, visit Sinarc lau edu lb.



## UNIVERSITY ENTERPRISE OFFICE

The University Enterprise Office (UEO) and its consulting wing, LAU Consult, create opportunities to expand LAU's educational mission across the Middle East and North Africa through academic partnerships, consultancies, and relationships leading to long-term growth.

One of LAU Consult's most fruitful collaborations has been with the Scientific College of Design (SCD) in Oman, whereby the college received academic development and advisory services from LAU. Plans are underway to further this collaboration by adding three master's degree programs, with degrees granted

by LAU, in graphic design, fine arts, and Islamic art and architecture.

Another recent highlight is an agreement with NASEEJ whereby LAU will act as its business development arm for consulting services in eight MENA countries. The same entity previously assisted LAU Consult in delivering an assessment and restructuring of Princess Nourah bint Abdulrahman University's College of Social Work, Saudi Arabia.

Through its program development and management division, UEO has stewarded an agreement that enables members of the Lebanese Army and each armed forces directorate in Lebanon to enroll in key graduate programs with financial assistance support. The plan extends to spouses and children as well.

Similarly, UEO is working toward a partnership offering bank employees and their families access to graduate programs at LAU under a significant tuition reduction. The ultimate goal is to extend this plan to government ministries, large corporations, and international entities as well.

# CONTINUING EDUCATION

Designed for the 21st-century workplace, Continuing Education courses, workshops, programs, and diplomas impart relevant and up-to-date knowledge and skills in an array of fields, serving a wide variety of adult learners who seek professional advancement.

Its innovative programs enhance performance and encourage achievement by means of a vibrant learning environment that fosters both personal and professional growth.

In 2017–2018, the program welcomed **736 students** 

Certificate programs are offered on campus (Beirut and Byblos) or at the client's location. In 2011, CE opened a satellite office at the Safadi Foundation in Tripoli; in 2013 and 2016 it inaugurated branches at the Chambers of Commerce, Industry, and Agriculture in Zahle and Saida respectively.

For more information about CE, please follow us on all social media platforms, or visit cep.lau.edu.lb.



## OUTREACH AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

OCE broadens students' horizons through a rich variety of leadership training, skills development, and volunteering opportunities.

Through its LAU Model UN, LAU Model Arab League programs and LAU Model European Union, **7,296 LAU student leaders** were engaged and more than 33,540 beneficiaries participated in its programs.

LAU was entrusted with ownership of the Global Classrooms International Model UN conferences in New York City, which engages annually 300 university students and 4,000 high school and middle school students from 250 schools worldwide.

With its motto "Educate, Empower, Engage", Outreach and Leadership Academy (OLA) with its premises in Sidon and Solidere, continues to benefit educational leaders, high school students, public and private employees, university students, women leaders, and underprivileged communities.

For more information about OCE, visit www.students.lau.edu.lb/student-engagement.





Through **42** chapters worldwide, LAU's **41,966** graduates reconnect with old classmates, meet new alumni, and participate in events such as reunions, homecomings, conferences, exhibitions, lectures, dinners, and gatherings that promote opportunities for career and social networking. Active members of the Alumni Association enjoy access to many LAU facilities and participate in alumni elections.

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