

# LAU at a Glance

2019-2020



# LAU Historical Timeline



**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).



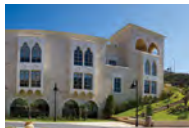
## 1985

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.





# A LOOK AT **LAU**





The Lebanese American University (**LAU**) – a leading private higher education institution in Lebanon – operates under a charter from the Board of Regents of the University of the State of New York.

In 2009, LAU was granted accreditation by the New England Commission of Higher Education (**NECHE**) for a five-year period and reaccredited in 2014 for an additional 10 years. With roots extending back more than **180 years**, the institution has a long history in serving the needs of Lebanon and the Middle East.

To this day, LAU remains at the forefront of a liberal arts education and innovation, equipping its students with a broad foundation of knowledge and soft skills of the 21st century that increase their chances of employability and success.



## LAU AT A GLANCE

**78** nationalities represented  
in the student body

**8,109** students

**2** campuses

**7** schools

**1** headquarters and academic  
center in New York

**2** medical  
centers

**1** executive  
center

**43** alumni chapters

**46,000+** alumni



# STUDENT SUCCESS

LAU is committed to giving its students an edge in the workplace. Going beyond traditional teaching, the university facilitates curricula updates, innovative learning, interdisciplinary programs, partnerships with industry that pave the way for internship opportunities, and career guidance. Approximately **87** percent\* of LAU students find employment or pursue postgraduate studies within a year of graduating.

## Services provided for successful graduation and work integration:

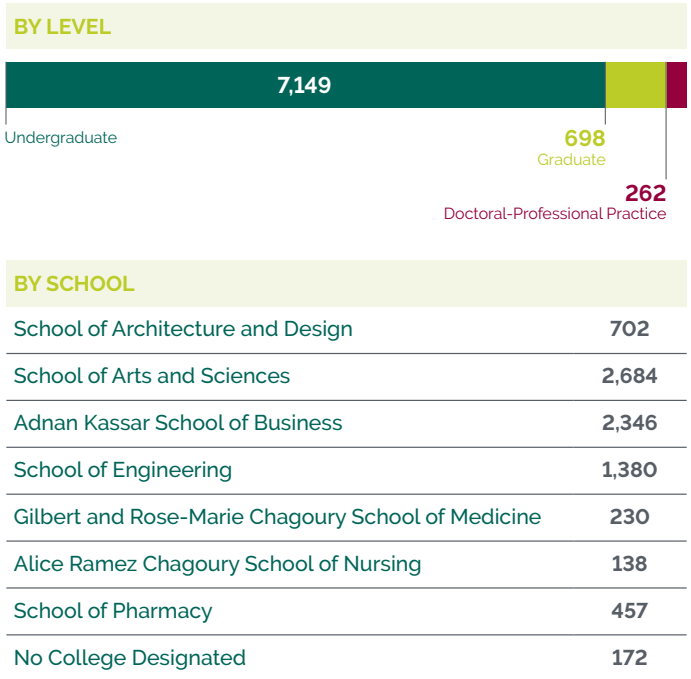
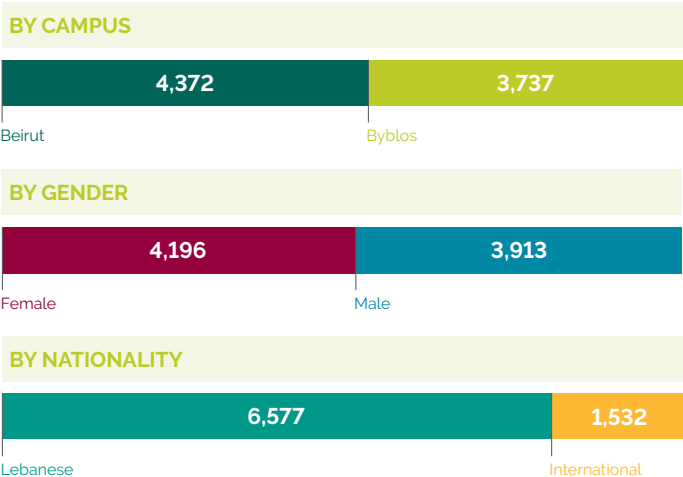
- LAU Career Portal
- Study Abroad Programs
- Networking Opportunities
- Internships
- Career and Internship Fairs
- Campus Recruitment Presentations
- Soft Skills Workshops
- Alumni Mentoring Programs

*\*Source: internal survey by the Department of Institutional Research and Assessment, 2018.*



# ENROLLMENT

Exemplifying diversity and community spirit, LAU's student body is **19** percent international with the remaining **81** percent composed of Lebanese students from various cultural backgrounds.



# FINANCIAL AID & COST

**\$38  
MILLION**

allocated for **scholarships  
and financial aid opportunities**  
in AY2018-2019

Coverage ranges  
**FROM 10%  
TO 100%**  
of tuition

**135  
STUDENTS**

benefit from  
**athletic scholarships**

**121  
STUDENTS**

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

Scholarships are offered  
to students with **HIGH  
AVERAGE** in  
Lebanese French, or  
International Baccalaureate  
(50%–100% of tuition)

**1,373  
STUDENTS**

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

Nearly **54%  
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)

**340  
STUDENTS**

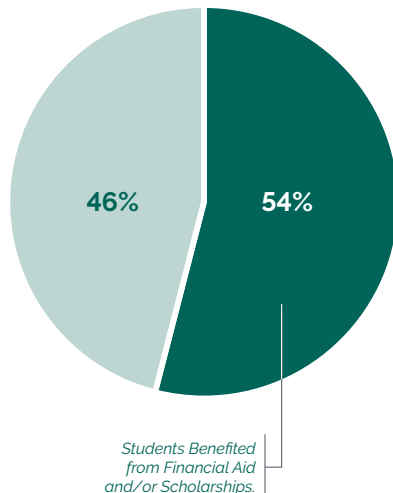
receive **full scholarships**  
from **USAID/MEPI**

## FINANCIAL AID & SCHOLARSHIPS

LAU provides a comprehensive merit- and need-based financial aid program. Eligible students receive packages commensurate with an assessment of their academic and financial status.

For the 2019-2020 academic year, LAU increased its financial aid budget by **5** percent. Over **\$37,889,064** funded approximately **4,824** students in AY2018-2019.

A total of **94** students received merit scholarships while **95** received a Middle East Partnership Initiative (MEPI) grant in fall 2018. Additionally, **211** incoming LAU students were awarded entrance scholarships in fall 2018.



## TUITION

For the academic year 2019-2020, the average undergraduate tuition amount is **\$20,172** per year and the average graduate tuition is **\$13,349** per year. Annual tuition fees for doctoral-professional practice programs amount to **\$33,822** for students in the school of medicine, and **\$26,400** for PharmD students.



# RANKINGS

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LAU's regional and global positioning, the relevance of its faculty's scholarship and research, and high employability scores have been affirmed by **Times Higher Education (THE)** and **QS rankings**.

|   |                          |
|---|--------------------------|
| THE University Rankings 2020                        | Top 3 in Lebanon         |
| QS Graduate Employability Rankings 2020             | Top 3 in Lebanon         |
| QS University Rankings in Arab Region 2020          | Top 20 in the Arab World |
| QS World University Rankings 2020                   | Top 3 in Lebanon         |
| THE 2020 List of Top Universities in the Arab World | Top 3 in Lebanon         |



# A LOOK AT **ACADEMICS**

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## ACCREDITATIONS

In addition to its **NECHE** accreditation, LAU maintains the following program accreditations:

- The **Doctor of Pharmacy** (PharmD) is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE). First accredited in 2002, it remains the only ACPE-accredited program outside the United States ([www.acpe-accredit.org](http://www.acpe-accredit.org)).
- The **Bachelor of Engineering** programs in Civil, Computer, Electrical, Industrial and Mechanical Engineering are all accredited by the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET) ([www.abet.org](http://www.abet.org)).
- The **Bachelor of Science in Computer Science** is accredited by the Computing Accreditation Commission of ABET ([www.abet.org](http://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](http://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/about](http://www.aacsb.edu/about)). It offers the following programs: BS in Business, BS in Economics, BS in Hospitality and Tourism Management, MA in Applied Economics, MBA, MS in HRM, LL.M and Executive MBA.
- The National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) has recently granted continuing candidacy of the **Bachelor of Architecture** as of 2018 ([www.naab.org](http://www.naab.org)). The Bachelor of Architecture degree is officially recognized by the French government, as equivalent to the Diplôme d'État d'Architecte, the professional diploma entitling its holders to practice and apply for professional licensure.

# FACULTY & STAFF

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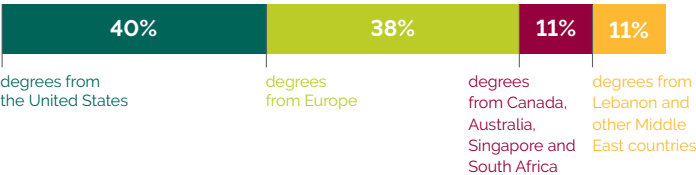




# FACULTY

Out of **333** full-time faculty members, **77** percent hold doctorates or the highest degree in their field. The approximate student–faculty ratio on both campuses is **12:1**.

**256** full-time faculty members hold doctoral degrees:



The university's faculty is remarkably diverse:



# STAFF

Standing at **682** full-time members, LAU's staff has been growing steadily, with new talent increasingly attracted to LAU's positive work environment and excellent employee benefits package.

Key service areas include academic programs support, student development and enrollment management, information technology, advancement, administration, human resources, and communications.

|           | Male | Female | Total |
|-----------|------|--------|-------|
| Full-time | 332  | 350    | 682   |
| Part-time | 108  | 133    | 241   |
| Total     | 440  | 483    | 923   |



# A LOOK AT **THE** **CAMPUSES**

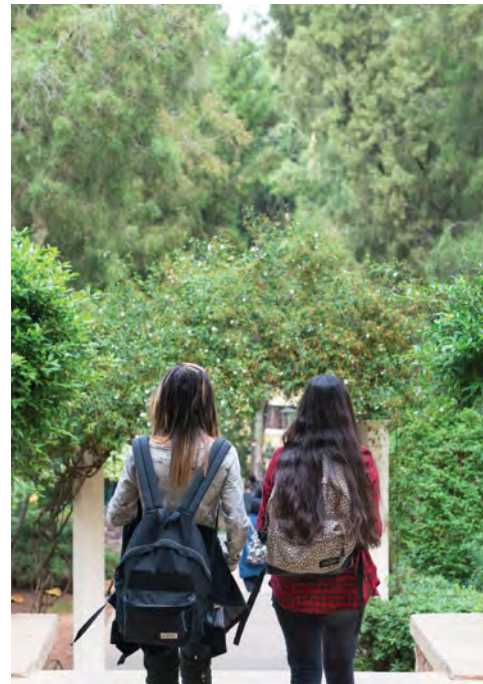
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LAU's campuses provide an attractive, safe and sustainable environment, with the following amenities and features:

- Smart and lecture capture classrooms
- Laboratories, workshops and research labs
- Academic support spaces housing institutes, centers, and seminar rooms
- State-of-the-art libraries
- Recreational and athletics areas accommodating cafeterias, cyber cafes, student lounges, music rooms, recreational rooms, swimming pool, indoor and outdoor basketball and tennis courts, gymnasiums, dance studios, multipurpose activities rooms, and fitness centers
- Common spaces such as video-conferencing rooms, exhibition halls, theaters, etc.
- Parking for vehicles, disabled access and bike racks
- Students' housing
- Campus accessibility features such as dedicated ramps, pathways, and elevators

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.



# BEIRUT CAMPUS

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The **Beirut campus** is located in Quraytem, Ras Beirut, in the vicinity of Hamra. Extending over **27,500 square meters** of land, it incorporates a mix of old sandstone buildings and modern architecture.

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**4,550** square meters green area

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**13** buildings

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**72,966.8** square meters built-up area

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In addition, the university leases more than **5,400 square meters** of space in nearby buildings.



# BYBLOS CAMPUS



The **Byblos campus** is situated approximately **43 kilometers** from Beirut, 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, reaching **317,643 square meters** and hosting LAU's seven schools.

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**13,690** square meters green area

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**19** buildings

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**99,820.9** square meters built-up area

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LAU provides its community with transportation services between both campuses.





# LAU NEW YORK

LEBANESE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY  
NEW YORK HEADQUARTERS AND ACADEMIC CENTER

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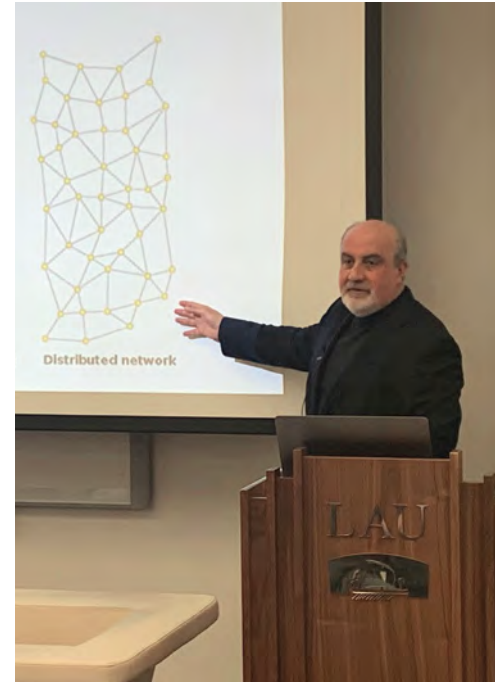


**LAU New York Headquarters and Academic Center** was inaugurated in September 2013 in a historic move reflecting the university's aim to serve as a bridge between the United States and the Middle East.

The **2,400-square-meter** facility, located in **Midtown 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 wishing to visit New York and gain first-hand exposure to businesses, industries, executives and thought-leaders.



# ACADEMIC **PROGRAMS**





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

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**65** degree programs

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**60** majors

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**1,015** full-time faculty and staff

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**74** full-time clinical physicians

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**21** centers and institutes

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**12:1** student faculty ratio

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# SCHOOL OF **ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN**





The **School of Architecture and Design** is committed to high educational standards, offering programs within an open, creative, and multidisciplinary studio culture.

Taught by faculty drawn from a large pool of local talent as well as visiting professors, students acquire the breadth of knowledge and the skills necessary to tackle various artistic and design problems.

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#### PROGRAMS OFFERED:

##### **Bachelor of Architecture (BArch)**

*(176 credits)*

##### **Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) in:**

- Fashion Design *(128 credits)*
- Graphic Design *(110 credits)*
- Interior Design *(120 credits)*

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

- Fine Arts *(92 credits)*

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

- Islamic Art *(30 credits)*



# SCHOOL OF **ARTS AND SCIENCES**

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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 mandate to cultivate students' critical thinking and communication skills.

## PROGRAMS OFFERED

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

(92 credits each)

- Arabic Language and Literature
- Communication
- English
- History
- Multimedia Journalism
- Performing Arts
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Political Science/International Affairs
- Psychology
- Social Work and Community Development\*
- Television & Film
- Translation

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

- Applied Physics (94 credits)
- Bioinformatics (100 credits)
- Biology (96 credits)
- Chemistry (92 credits)
- Computer Science (92 credits)
- Mathematics (92 credits)
- Nutrition\*\* (94 credits)
- Nutrition and Dietetics Coordinated Program\*\* (121 credits)

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

- Education (30 credits)
- International Affairs (30 credits)
- Migration Studies (30 credits)
- Multimedia Journalism (31 credits)
- Interdisciplinary Gender Studies (30 credits)

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

(30 credits each)

- Applied and Computational Mathematics
- Computer Science
- Biological Sciences
- Nutrition

### **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.*

*\*\* The BS in Nutrition, BS in Nutrition and Dietetics Coordinated Program, and Dietetic Internship programs do not lead to New York State certification. Dietitians and nutritionists do not have the authority to independently engage in the ordering of medical nutrition therapy in New York State.*

ADNAN  
KASSAR  
**SCHOOL OF  
BUSINESS**

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As one of the oldest autonomous American-style business schools in the Middle East, the **Adnan Kassar School of Business (AKSOB)** is committed to excellence in teaching, scholarly and applied research, and professional service. AKSOB is among the 5 percent of business schools worldwide to be accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB).

The school's undergraduate and graduate programs prepare students for the evolving world of business, enabling them to use the appropriate learning, technology and decision-making tools to understand the global impact of economic conditions and cultural dimensions.

## 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)



# SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING



The **School of Engineering** combines rigorous academics with a dynamic solid foundation that equips talented engineers for success in their professional and civic lives.

The school offers a range of leading-edge courses and houses a host of state-of-the-art research laboratories. 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
- Mechanical Engineering

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



GILBERT  
AND ROSE-  
MARIE  
CHAGOURY  
**SCHOOL OF  
MEDICINE**





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 fosters critical thinking, 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.

The school's main clinical training center is the LAU Medical Center-Rizk Hospital and the LAU Medical Center-St John's Hospital (planned for summer 2020). LAU's medical students also train with a number of health facilities through affiliation/agreement arrangements.

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## PROGRAMS OFFERED

### Doctor of Medicine (MD)\*

*\*Pending completion of registration formalities with the New York State Education Department*



ALICE  
RAMEZ  
CHAGOURY  
**SCHOOL OF  
NURSING**



The **Alice Ramez Chagoury School of Nursing**'s comprehensive curriculum 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, thereby allowing graduates to pursue licensure as registered nurses in Lebanon and around the world.

Demonstrating the school's excellence, the majority of nursing students are hired immediately upon graduation in top hospitals and NGOs across Lebanon, while others go on to pursue their graduate studies in high-ranking universities in Lebanon and abroad.

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#### PROGRAMS OFFERED

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

- Nursing (103 credits)



## A photograph of two female students in white lab coats standing in a pharmacy aisle. They are looking at shelves filled with various medications. One student is pointing at a box of Diltiazem. A green overlay on the left contains the text "SCHOOL OF PHARMACY".



The **School of Pharmacy** offers unique educational programs that emphasize biomedical, pharmaceutical, social, behavioral, administrative and clinical sciences, as well as soft skills and service learning, all of which are essential to better serve patients and the community. Over the past five years, pharmacy graduates have maintained an average pass rate of 91 percent on the North American Pharmacy Licensing Exam (NAPLEX®) and 100 percent on the Lebanese National Competency Assessment Examination (Colloquium). Graduates are well-placed to pursue graduate studies, postgraduate residencies, or work in diverse fields such as community and hospital pharmacies, clinical settings, pharmaceutical sales, pharmaceutical industry, and academia.

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#### PROGRAMS OFFERED

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

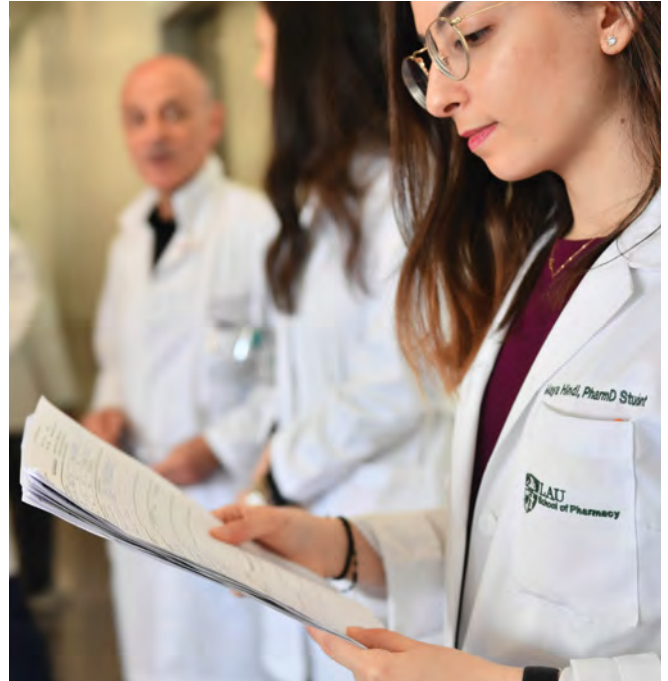
- Pharmacy (174 credits)

##### **Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) (201 credits)**

##### **Postgraduate Year One (PGY1) Pharmacy Residency**

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

- Pharmaceutical Development and Management (36 credits)



# LAU MEDICAL CENTER- RIZK HOSPITAL



**LAU Medical Center-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 caters to students enrolled in the nutrition program at the School of Arts and Sciences. Together, the university and the hospital are home to **77** full-time and **130** part-time physicians. The hospital houses **the first and only Comprehensive Stroke Center in Lebanon**.

LAU is in the process of transforming this medical campus in 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 in progress and expected to be completed by 2024. In addition, LAU has signed an agreement with St John's Hospital in Jounieh, which is due to open in summer 2020.



# GRADUATE STUDIES & RESEARCH

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The **Graduate Studies & Research (GSR)** office supports the LAU community in developing a range of programs and managing grant-seeking projects, to establish LAU as a regionally and internationally recognized institution for research and graduate education.

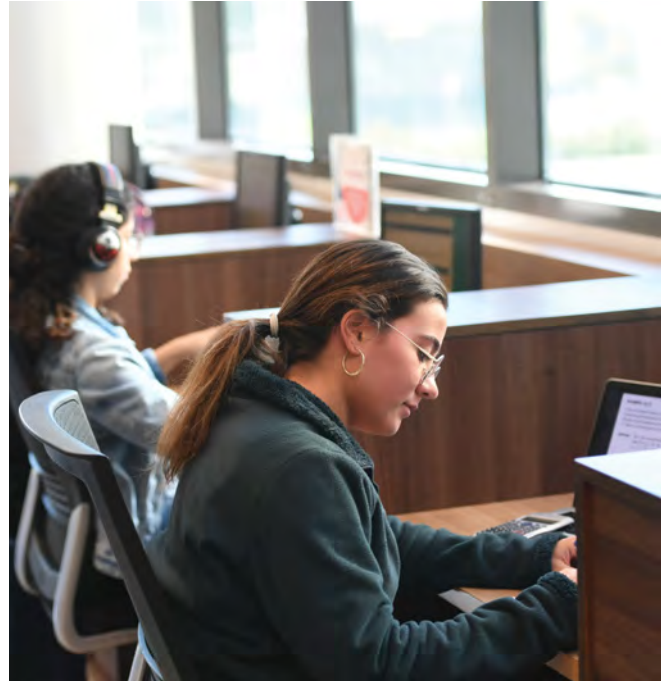
The GSR office assists faculty and students with grant development, data analysis, and the promotion of novel discoveries along with associated patents and copyrights.

The office also hosts innovative interdisciplinary graduate programs in strategic areas.

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## 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



# LIBRARIES

A high-angle photograph of a modern library interior. A wide, white, curved staircase with a white railing is the central feature, leading from an upper level down to a lower level. The lower level is filled with study desks and computers, where several people are working. Large windows on the right side of the image provide natural light. The upper level also has study areas and bookshelves. The overall design is clean and minimalist, with a focus on open space and natural light.

LAU's Beirut, Byblos and Health Sciences libraries are well-equipped with spacious facilities that include:

- Conference rooms
- Computer centers
- Group study areas
- Open stacks

The libraries are also able to secure on-demand material otherwise unavailable in Lebanon through agreements with institutions abroad.

The Riyadh Nassar Library in Beirut houses a number of special collections relevant to:

- Women's studies
- Education
- Islamic art
- Architecture
- The oldest collection of children's books in Lebanon



## LIBRARIES AT A GLANCE

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**392,642** print books

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**578,822** electronic books

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**452** print serial subscriptions

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**134,766** electronic journals

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**16,696** media material

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**162** online and open  
access databases

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*Library Collections 2018-2019*

# CENTERS & INSTITUTES

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LAU FOUAD MAKHZOUMI  
Innovation Center

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LAU is home to **21 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.

#### LAU hosts 21 centers and institutes:

- Arab Institute for Women
- Center for Innovative Learning
- Center for Lebanese Heritage
- Centre for Lebanese Studies
- CISCO Institute
- Clinical Simulation Center
- Early Childhood Center
- Institute for Banking and Finance
- Institute for Human Genetics

- Institute for Media Research and Training
- Institute for Migration Studies
- Institute for Social Justice and Conflict Resolution
- Institute for Family and Entrepreneurial Business
- Institute for Hospitality and Tourism Management Studies
- Institute of Human Resources
- Institute of Islamic Art and Architecture
- LAU Fouad Makhzoumi Innovation Center
- Software Institute
- Summer Institute for Intensive Arabic Language and Culture
- Teacher Training Institute
- Urban Planning Institute

To learn more about LAU's centers and institutes, visit [www.lau.edu.lb/centers-institutes](http://www.lau.edu.lb/centers-institutes).



# A LOOK AT CAMPUS LIFE

**33**  
varsity teams

**70**  
intramural games  
annually across  
6 different sports

**80**  
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**  
student  
capstones

**2**  
IMAGINE concerts  
and 1 major  
production

**2**  
student film  
screenings  
and 1 faculty film  
screening

**4**  
career and  
internship fairs

**3**  
annual festivals  
coordinated by  
the department of  
communication arts

**1**  
arts summer  
camp

**series**  
of workshops,  
panel discussions,  
trainings and  
career-related  
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 range of activities and clubs include everything from culture and sports to human rights and the arts. These 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 holds intercollegiate, intramural, 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. The office also organizes competitions for high-school students (including the Junior NBA League).



# COMMUNITY SERVICE AND OUTREACH

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Social responsibility is second nature to the LAU community. Across its seven schools, the university offers **40** courses with content directly related to citizenship, ethics and sustainability. In collaboration with national and international organizations, LAU actively promotes gender equality, human rights, educational equity, healthcare and environmental conservation, among others.

During AY2018-2019, students took part in close to **68** formal community service events and activities, apart from countless food and clothes drives, and fundraisers for the underprivileged.

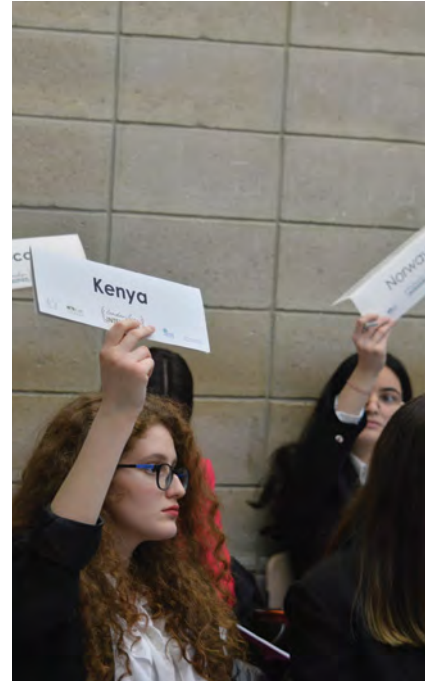
The **Outreach and Civic Engagement Department** (OCE) matches students with **60** partner NGOs year-round, for volunteering and internship opportunities.

Many of these organizations, in turn, offer workshops and trainings for LAU students.

LAU owns the exclusive rights to organize Global Classrooms International Middle and High School Conferences in New York City. **Four** simulation programs have quickly become LAU staples:

- Model United Nations
- Model Arab League
- Model European Union
- Model African Union

During this year, more than **6,700** delegates from across Lebanon have flocked to LAU's Beirut and Byblos campuses, as well as the New York Academic Center, to take part in these programs.



## OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL SERVICES

The Office of International Services (OIS) links LAU to more than **1,000** partner institutions across Europe, Australia and North America.

LAUers have the chance to grow their educational journey through a unique learning opportunity away from their comfort zone. Similarly, dozens of international students flock to LAU campuses every year to add an edge to their academic and cultural knowledge.

Apart from a supportive team of faculty and staff, international students are matched with campus “buddies” – a group of student volunteers who guide them through day-to-day life within the community, both on and off campus.

### Partner institutions include:

- Sciences Po, *France*
- Warsaw School of Economics, *Poland*
- Freie University, *Germany*
- Pavia University, *Italy*
- University of Porto, *Portugal*
- Aarhus University, *Denmark*
- Politecnico di Torino, *Italy*
- Syracuse University, *US*
- George Washington University, *US*
- University of California Berkeley, *US*



## SINARC ARABIC LANGUAGE AND CULTURE PROGRAM

**SINARC**, the Arabic language and culture program at LAU, offers intensive courses in modern standard Arabic 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 15 transferable credits per semester. In addition, the six-week Intensive Summer Program allows students to immerse themselves in the language and culture, travel to historic and cultural sites around Lebanon, and earn up to eight transferable credits. Students can also join

LAU volunteers working with dozens of NGOs engaged in relief work across the country. SINARC also offers specialized one-on-one packages for the diplomatic corps.

LAU's New York Headquarters offers classes in standard Arabic and dialect for all levels on a for-credit or non-credit basis.

For more information, visit [sinarc.lau.edu.lb](https://sinarc.lau.edu.lb).



## 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 or lifelong learning.

Its innovative programs enhance performance and encourage achievement by means of a vibrant learning environment that fosters both personal and professional growth, enabling the learner to cope with the changes and the challenges set forth by the Fourth Industrial Revolution.

In AY2018-2019, the program welcomed **712** students.

Certificate programs, Diplomas, and Associate Diplomas are offered on campus (Beirut and Byblos) or at the client's location. LAU CE offers public courses as well as customized corporate workshops and trainings.

In 2011, LAU 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 LAU CE, please follow us on all social media platforms, or visit [cep.lau.edu.lb](http://cep.lau.edu.lb).





## UNIVERSITY ENTERPRISE OFFICE

The University Enterprise Office (UEO) and LAU Consult explore entrepreneurial venues to expand LAU's educational mission locally and in the MENA region, through academic partnerships, consultancies, and/or relationships that translate into the university's long-term sustainable growth in the MENA regionally and globally.



# ALUMNI



Through chapters across different countries, LAU's alumni reunite with old classmates, meet new alumni, and participate in a host of events that reinforce their bond with their alma mater. Active members of the Alumni Association enjoy access to many LAU facilities and participate in alumni elections.

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**43** chapters

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**87** countries

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**46,000+** alumni

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The Alumni Relations Office strives to leverage its connections with alumni for more opportunities, from internships to job placements, for LAU students through various initiatives and special programs:

- Reunions, homecomings and gatherings
- Conferences and talks: Keep Learning and Stay Aware Lecture Series
- Business and Social Networking Receptions
- Alumni Mentoring Program



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