





## 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).



## 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.



## 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).



## 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.



### 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).

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## 1985

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



## 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.





The BS in Nursing is accredited by the Collegiate Commission on Nursing Education (CCNE). The LAU Executive Center@Solidere opens in downtown Beirut.



## 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.



## 2018

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



### 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. Foundation, the Safadi earn accreditation by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE).



## 2004

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



## 2009

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



LAU is granted full

by the New England

Education (NECHE)

Commission of Higher

accreditation



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



## 2019

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



## 2020

The Bachelor of Architecture is the first in Lebanon to be accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NASAD).

The BS in Nutrition and Dietetics Coordinated Program (CP) is granted candidacy for accreditation by the accrediting agency for the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) in the US I AU becomes an accredited institutional membership of the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD).



## 2021

The Department of Hospitality and Tourism Management gains accreditation by the Accreditation Commission for Programs in Hospitality Administration (ACPHA). The Adnan Kassar School of Business is reaccredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) International. The Postgraduate Year 1 (PGY1) Pharmacy

Residency program is accredited by the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) The LAU Medical Center-Saint John's Hospital in Keserwan/ Byblos area is inaugurated.



## 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



## 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 **68** 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
- Institutional Recruitment Presentations
- Soft Skills Workshops
- Alumni Mentoring Programs

\* Source: internal survey by the Department of Institutional Research and Assessment, 2020.

## ENROLLMENT

Exemplifying diversity and community spirit, LAU's student body is **17** percent international with the remaining **83** percent composed of Lebanese students from various cultural backgrounds.

#### **BY CAMPUS**

4,478		3,566
 Beirut	Byblos	
BY GENDER		
4,171		3,873
 Female	l Male	
<b>BY NATIONALITY</b>		
6,666		1,378
Lebanese		International

BY LEVEL			
	6,984		
 Undergraduate		793 Graduate Doctoral-Professional	267
BY SCHOOL			

School of Architecture and Design	615
School of Arts and Sciences	2,813
Adnan Kassar School of Business	2,288
School of Engineering	1,354
Gilbert and Rose-Marie Chagoury School of Medicine	238
Alice Ramez Chagoury School of Nursing	197
School of Pharmacy	450
No College Designated	89

## FINANCIAL AID & COST

## \$45 MILLION

allocated for **scholarships and financial aid opportunities** *in AY2019-2020* 

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

## 167 STUDENTS

benefit from **athletic scholarships** in AY2019-2020

## 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)

## 1,468 STUDENTS

receive **entrance**, **SAT**, **baccalaureate and honor scholarships** (10%–50% of tuition) in AY2019-2020

## Nearly 61% OF STUDENTS

benefit from one or more forms of **financial aid and scholarships** in AY2019-2020

Scholarships are offered to students with HIGH SAT SCORES

(50% of tuition)

## 349 STUDENTS

receive **full scholarships** from **USAID/MEPI** in AY2019-2020

## FINANCIAL AID & SCHOLARSHIPS

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

For the 2020-2021 academic year, LAU increased its financial aid budget by **19** percent. Over **\$45,272,038** funded approximately **5,279** students.

A total of **112** students received merit scholarships while **110** received a Middle East Partnership Initiative (MEPI) grant in fall 2019. Additionally, **292** incoming LAU students were awarded entrance scholarships in fall 2019.



## TUITION

For the academic year 2019-2020, the average undergraduate tuition amount is **\$20,058** per year and the average graduate tuition is **\$13,422** 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**.

Business and Economics program No. 1 in Lebanon
No. 2 in Lebanon
No. 2 in Lebanon No. 1 in Teaching in Lebanon No. 4 in Teaching in the Arab World
No. 2 in Lebanon
Among top 201-250 universities
LAU's Petroleum Engineering program ranked in the top 100- 150 bracket worldwide, and No. 1 in private universities in Lebanon
No. 4 in Lebanon
No. 14 in the Arab World
No. 2 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 ACPEaccredited program outside the United States (*www.acpe-accredit.org*).

The PGY1 Pharmacy Residency Program is accredited by the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (*www.ashp.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*).
- The Bachelor of Science in Computer Science is accredited by the Computing Accreditation Commission of ABET (www.abet.org).

The Bachelor of Science in Nutrition
 and Dietetics Coordinated Program has
 been granted candidacy by the Accreditation
 Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics
 (ACEND) (www.eatrightpro.org/acend).

#### 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/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, LLM and Executive MBA. In addition, the school's Hospitality and Tourism Program is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Programs in Hospitality Administration (ACPHA) (www.acpha-cahm.org).

• The **Bachelor of Architecture** program has been granted initial accreditation, as of 2019, by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB), that accredits architecture programs in the US. The program is the first in Lebanon and the third outside the US to receive NAAB accreditation (www.naab.org/).

In addition to being recognized by the Ministry of Education in Lebanon, the **Bachelor of Architecture** is officially recognized by the French Government, which allows our graduates to practice in France and the European Union.

All **Bachelor of Design** Programs at the School of Architecture & Design earned the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD) accreditation: the BA in Fine Arts, and the BFAs in Interior Design, Graphic Design and Fashion Design (*https://nasad.arts-accredit.org/*).

## **FACULTY** & STAFF



## FACULTY

Out of **333** full-time faculty members, **80** percent hold doctorates or the highest degree in their field. The approximate student–faculty ratio on both campuses is **13:1**.

#### 38% 37% 13% 1% degrees from degrees degrees from Europe Lebanon from Far East and other Middle Fast Australia, countries countries The university's faculty is remarkably diverse: 58% Lebanese Instructors 55% 45% Male Faculty Female Faculty

#### - 265 full-time faculty members hold doctoral degrees:

## STAFF

Standing at **657** 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	318	339	657
Part-time	38	73	111
Total	356	412	768
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Male Staff	 Female Staff		

## A LOOK At **the Campuses**

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.





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.

4,550 square meters green area

**13** buildings

72,967 square meters built-up area

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.

13,690 square meters green area

**19** buildings

99,821 square meters built-up area

LAU provides its community with transportation services between both campuses.



## LAU New York

LEBANESE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY NEW YORK HEADQUARTERS AND ACADEMIC CENTER 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.







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## ACADEMIC Programs 2021

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

	<b>55</b> degree programs
(	50 majors
	<b>990</b> full-time faculty and staff
2	73 full-time clinical physicians
	<b>21</b> centers and institutes
	<b>13:1</b> 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.

#### 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

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\*\*\*\* (30 credits)
- Interdisciplinary Gender Studies (30 credits)

## Master of Science (MS) in:

(30 credits each)

- Applied and Computational Mathematics
- Computer Science (also online as of fall 2022)
- Biological Sciences

### Teaching Diploma (TD) in:

(21 credits each)

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

## Diploma in:

· Learning Disability 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.

\*\* This program is pending the formalities of registration with the Lebanese Ministry of Education and Higher Education

\*\*\* 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.

\*\*\*\* Pending completion of registration formalities with the Lebanese Ministry of Education and Higher Education

## 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 eight emphases:
- Accounting
- Banking and Finance
- Family and Entrepreneurial Business Management
- Hospitality and Tourism Management
- Information Technology Management
- International Business
- Management
- Marketing
- Economics (92 credits)

Master of Business Administration (MBA) (39 credits)

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

MBA in Global Business Administration (online) (33 credits)

### Master of Arts (MA) in:

Applied Economics (30 credits)

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

Human Resources Management (30 credits)

### Master of Law (LLM) in:

• Business Law (30 credits)



## SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

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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

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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-Saint John's Hospital. LAU's medical students also train with a number of health facilities through affiliation/ agreement arrangements.

PROGRAMS OFFERED Doctor of Medicine (MD)\*



# ALICE RAMEZ CHAGOURY SCHOOL OF NURSING

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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.

PROGRAMS OFFERED Bachelor of Science (BS) in:

Nursing (103 credits)



# SCHOOL OF Pharmacy

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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 six 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.

#### **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

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LAU Medical Center-Rizk Hospital 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 **73** full-time and **128** 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.



## LAU MEDICAL CENTER-SAINT JOHN'S HOSPITAL

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LAU Medical Center

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The newly inaugurated **LAU Medical Center-Saint John's Hospital** in the Jounieh/Byblos area adds enormous value to medical practice in a major part of the country. Managed and operated by LAU, it is the only university medical center in that region.

In addition to three advanced operating rooms and an OR in the Emergency Department, the 85-bed medical center offers the Jounieh/ Byblos area the only stroke-ready facility with a state-of-the art interventional set-up and 160-slice CAT scanner for ultra-rapid evaluations. Notably, surgeries at the medical center can be transmitted live to anywhere in the world via video and sound.



# **GRADUATE STUDIES** & RESEARCH

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.

#### 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





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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 Riyad 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



# **CENTERS** & INSTITUTES

- · The designation of social safety nets
- \* The redistribution of taxation
- · Promote ownership of state decision making
- · Enhance inclusivity in the political process

We should aspire to think long term.

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 23 centers and institutes:

- Arab Institute for Women
- Center for Innovative Learning
- Center for Integrative Research
- 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 of 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 for Human Resources
- Institute of Islamic Art and Architecture
- Institute for Environmental Studies and Research
- LAU Fouad Makhzoumi Innovation Center
- Software Institute
- Summer Institute for Intensive Arabic Language and Culture
- Teacher Training Institute
- Writing Center

To learn more about LAU's centers and institutes, visit www.lau.edu.lb/about/centers-institutes.php





# A LOOK AT Campus Life



\* During AY2020-2021, and due to COVID-19, all in-person activities were suspended.

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

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 AY2020-2021, students took part in several community service events and activities, including relief and rebuilding efforts following the August 4 explosion.

#### 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. **Five** simulation programs have quickly become LAU staples:

- Global Classrooms Model United Nations
- Model Arab League
- Model European Union
- Model African Union
- Model Good Governance

Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, the simulation programs continued virtually this year, with **3,423** middle- and high-school students being trained, mentored, and motivated to achieve their full potential.



## 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*.



## CONTINUING EDUCATION

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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.

## **44** chapters

87 countries

## 48,000 alumni

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:

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