

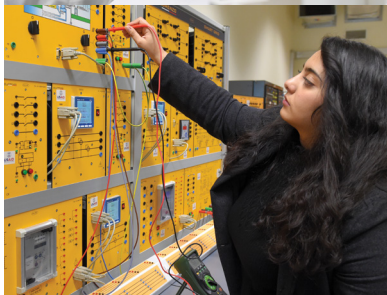


LAU
الجامعة اللبنانية الأمريكية
Lebanese American University

WELCOME
TO **LAU**

First-Class
**American
Education
in Lebanon**

Experience a **First-Class American Education** in the Heart of the **Middle East**



The Lebanese American University is committed to academic excellence, student centeredness, civic engagement, the advancement of scholarship, the education of the whole person, and the formation of leaders in a diverse world.

A Unique **Experience**

Lebanon, a cosmopolitan country on the eastern Mediterranean, has a strong tradition of education, demonstrated by a **high literacy** rate of approximately **99%** and being home to **42 universities**. Its capital, **Beirut**, has endured as an international hub for thousands of years, and is renowned for its countless restaurants, coffee shops, cultural clubs, centers and vibrant nightlife.

Many Lebanese are **trilingual**, speaking Arabic, English, and French, and visitors usually have no difficulty making themselves understood. Studying in Lebanon provides an **unparalleled educational** and **cultural experience**.

A Warm **Welcome**

Visiting students at the Lebanese American University receive all the support they need from the very beginning and onward to feel comfortable and start learning right away.

Members of the **International Services and Programs Office (ISP)** are there to help with the application and registration process, arrange airport pickup and tours, and assign the visiting student with a **campus Buddy** — a student volunteer who makes sure visiting students have the best possible experience — among other services.

World-Class Tuition **Made Accessible**

The Lebanese American University was founded by American Presbyterian missionaries in Beirut nearly a century ago and maintains strong quality standards to date. Its charter, accreditation and dynamism ensure that the university and its programs are regularly reviewed and improved.

Fees

For the academic year 2023–2024, the average undergraduate tuition at LAU was around **\$20,000** per year.

The average graduate tuition is about **\$14,500** per year. The MD program costs **\$32,837** per year and the PharmD program **\$25,620**.

Learn more on lau.edu.lb/fees



Internationally Recognized Credentials



A Wide Choice of Academic Programs

LAU offers degree programs in a variety of disciplines through its **seven schools** and the **Graduate Studies and Research Office**.

- School of Architecture and Design
sard.lau.edu.lb
- School of Arts and Sciences
sas.lau.edu.lb
- Adnan Kassar School of Business
sb.lau.edu.lb
- School of Engineering
soe.lau.edu.lb
- Gilbert and Rose-Marie Chagoury School of Medicine
medicine.lau.edu.lb
- Alice Ramez Chagoury School of Nursing
nursing.lau.edu.lb
- School of Pharmacy
pharmacy.lau.edu.lb
- Graduate Studies and Research
gsr.lau.edu.lb

Charter & Accreditation

- LAU is chartered by the **Board of Regents of the University of the State of New York**, the entity through which higher education institutions are incorporated in the State of New York and authorized to confer degrees.
- LAU is accredited by the **New England Commission of Higher Education**, the oldest regional accrediting association in the United States.

Program Accreditations

- **The School of Pharmacy** is a full member of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy. **LAU's Doctor of Pharmacy program** is the only one outside the United States that is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education.
- **Five of LAU's undergraduate engineering programs** are accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology.
- **LAU's BS in Computer Science** is accredited by the Computing Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology.
- **LAU's BS in Nursing** is accredited by the Collegiate Commission on Nursing Education.
- **LAU's undergraduate and graduate business programs** are accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business.
- **LAU's Bachelor of Architecture degree** is officially recognized by the French government, allowing graduates to practice in France and the European Union. In addition, the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB), which accredits all architecture programs in the United States, has recently approved the eligibility for candidacy of LAU's Bachelor of Architecture degree.

American System of Education

LAU employs the **credit-based American system**. The language of instruction is English except for courses in Arabic literature and foreign languages. The academic calendar is based on two semesters: fall (August through December) and spring (January through May). A module is also offered in the summer.

Course work is measured in credit hours. Generally, a class that meets for three hours a week carries three units of credit. Class attendance is obligatory and factors in as a part of a student's overall grade. The undergraduate curriculum includes a common base of liberal arts courses for all students.

Arabic Courses

Arabic Courses SINARC is LAU's program for learning Arabic as a non-native language, welcoming students from all over the world. In operation for over 26 years, SINARC offers classes at all levels through classwork and cultural immersion. It has become a top choice for Arabic language learners looking to not only improve their language skills but also gain a true understanding of the cultural and social dynamics of the region.

Learn more on sinarc.lau.edu.lb

Truly Diverse

LAU considers its student body its chief asset. The around **8,700 students** spread across both campuses represent all of Lebanon's confessional groups and many countries from around the world. The growing number of international students at LAU attests to its reputation for academic excellence. In the 2023–2024 academic year, close to **12 percent** of the students enrolled were non-Lebanese, representing **77 different nationalities**.

Two Locations

LAU has campuses in **Beirut** and in **Byblos** (about 35 kilometers to the north of Beirut). Steeped in history, both cities still bear traces of their ancient origins yet have a distinctly modern twist.

Through their libraries, athletic facilities, residence halls, theaters, laboratories, computer centers, and academic support services, the two campuses provide **state-of-the-art infrastructure** and a **wealth of services** that enrich the experiences of students, faculty, and staff.

On-Campus World Citizenship

LAU has a number of great programs that teach internationalism as a form of personal expansion and leadership. These include:

- AIESEC Lebanon (a branch of the world's largest non-profit youth-run organization)
- Middle East Partnership Initiative-Tomorrow's Leaders
- International Education Week
- The Buddy Program
- LAU NY international programs
- Erasmus+ ICM scholarships

A Vibrant Campus Life



International Partnerships

Based on its belief in a holistic education that transcends borders, LAU has made it a priority to partner with handpicked, accredited universities worldwide to establish study abroad and exchange opportunities.

LAU has a wide network of partners worldwide, including in Europe, US, Australia, Canada, and South America.

Global Relationships

Partner Institutions

Erasmus+ Partners

- Aarhus University – *Denmark*
- Comillas Pontifical University – *Spain*
- Cracow University of Economics – *Poland*
- Danish School of Media and Journalism – *Denmark*
- EMUNI – *Slovenia*
- Freie Universität Berlin – *Germany*
- Lithuanian University of Health Sciences – *Lithuania*
- Politecnico di Torino – *Italy*
- School of Advanced Social Studies – *Slovenia*
- Szkoła Główna Handlowa (SGH) w Warszawie – *Poland*
- University of Tartu – *Estonia*
- University of Nicosia – *Cyprus*
- University of Pavia – *Italy*
- University of Thessaly Greece – *Greece*

Exchange Partners

- American College of Greece – *Greece*
- Bilkent University – *Turkey*
- Boise State University – *USA*
- Chung Ang University – *Korea*
- Cracow University of Technology – *Poland*
- Dankook University – *Dankook*
- Ecole Supérieure des Sciences Commerciales d'Angers (ESSCA) – *France*
- Institut de Gestion Sociale (ABS) – *France*
- Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris (Sciences Po-Paris Campus) – *France*
- ISCTE University Institute of Lisbon – *Portugal*
- IULM University of Languages and Communication – *Milan*
- Lille Catholic University – *France*
- Myongji University – *South Korea*
- NEOMA Business School – *France*
- Rennes School of Business – *France*
- Saint Mary's University – *Canada*
- Skema Business School – *France*
- Södertörn University – *Sweden*

- University in Rabat – *Morocco*
- University of Applied Sciences Utrecht – *Netherlands*
- Virginia Commonwealth University – *USA*
- Michigan State University – *USA*

Study Abroad Partners

- American University in Cairo – *Egypt*
- Georgia Institute of Technology – *USA*
- James Madison University – *USA*
- Kent State University – *USA*
- Kent State University Florence – *Italy*
- Montana State University – *USA*
- Salzburg Academy/ Salzburg Global Seminar – *Austria*
- University of Arizona – *USA*
- University of California, Berkeley – *USA*
- University of Florence – *Italy*
- University of Florida – *USA*
- University of Helsinki – *Finland*
- University of Montana – *USA*
- Wayne State University – *USA*

Networks

LAU is a member in international networks that link it to more than 1,000 institutions worldwide, providing better and more challenging opportunities for students:

- Association of American International Colleges & Universities (AAICU)
- Association of International Education Administrators (AIEA)
- Association of International Educators (NAFSA)
- Council of International Schools (CIS)
- European Association for International Education (EAIE)
- International Student Exchange Programs (ISEP)
- The Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA)
- The Institute of International Education (IIE)

For the updated list of universities, please check studyabroad.lau.edu.lb

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