Office of Student Affairs

The Office of Student Affairs oversees student activities, athletics, counseling, student housing, career and placement services. The office also manages university-wide operations such as the bursary, the New Student Orientation and the work-study programs. The Office of Student Affairs provides services to students that enhance their overall well-being and create opportunities for them to enrich and broaden their educational experience.

The website has comprehensive information on all programs: www.aub.edu.lb/sao/Pages/index.aspx.

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Student Activities

Student Activities aims to provide opportunities for student development through co-curricular activities that complement AUB’s academic programs. The specific aims of the department are to:

• provide opportunities for student leadership in a variety of settings such as clubs/societies, student representative committees and student publications
• serve as an information resource for students about student life at AUB
• provide support services for student organizations
• promote diversity and civic responsibility
• coordinate and facilitate the work and events of AUB student organizations
• organize major campus events, such as the Outdoor Festival, the Folk Dance Festival and the New Student Orientation Program.

All activities organized by students must be approved by the Department of Student Activities and the Dean of Student Affairs. The department’s role is to supervise these activities and other student activities which take place in West Hall. West Hall hosts most student activities in addition to various AUB events sponsored by faculties, departments, centers, and alumni.

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Counseling

Adjusting to university life can be a difficult transition and a very stressful experience for many students. Personal difficulties, whether of a recent or long-standing nature, can hinder academic success and seriously affect a student’s quality of life and well-being.

Personal counseling is offered to AUB students to help them identify and address their issues and problems. This could include anxiety, depression, grief, substance abuse, eating disorders, and relationship and family problems. In fact, there are no restrictions as to what can be discussed in counseling.

The counseling team provides assistance to students with study-related issues such as test anxiety and time management. Counseling is free and confidential.

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Career and Placement Services

The Career and Placement Services (CPS) aims at helping AUB students in their transition from being students to becoming professionals. The CPS encourages students to develop their career plans by providing resources, contacts, activities, workshops, seminars, job fairs, career events and career counseling. CPS strives to promote:

- **Career Exploration and Decision Making**
  Facilitating the exploration of career options and developing effective career planning skills.

- **Skills Development**
  Helping students develop skills within their academic disciplines to enhance their professional image.

- **Experiential Learning**
  Disseminating employment information and providing resources to explore changing trends in the global job market by different means including the AUB Mentor-Mentee Program.

- **Career Placement**
  Helping current and former AUB students to achieve their career goals through the development of lifetime career planning and job search skills. Assisting them in finding full-time employment, internships, and part-time jobs.

- **Employer Development**
  Building and expanding long-term relationships between the American University of Beirut and the employment community.

- **Major employment events**
  Organizing Annual Job Fair in April and Fall, special employment in September through which students are exposed to job opportunities available at firms with diversified industrial sectors.

- **Social Media**
  Using social media through Facebook and Twitter to advertise all career activities and interact with AUB students/Alumni.
University Sports

The University offers a wide range of sports, athletics, fitness and recreational programs through University Sports. The Charles Hostler Student Center has invigorated athletic life on the lower campus. It includes a gymnasium with three full-size basketball, volleyball, handball and futsal courts, a 25 meter indoor pool with a touchpad and electronic score board, a free weight area, cardiovascular training area, an activity room for dance and martial arts, two squash courts, a 400 meter track, an artificial turf field, an auditorium, an amphitheater, conference rooms and much more. Between May and October, students may use the AUB beach for swimming, water sports, beach volley, recreation, or relaxation.

There are four floodlit tennis courts on campus. Professional tennis lessons are available. Opportunities for competitive and team sports abound, as do options for individual recreational activities. Fitness and swimming courses are being offered all year round.

The following are some programs offered:

Basketball (Men, Women, Junior)
Soccer (Men, Women, Junior)
Volleyball (Men, Women)
Handball (Men)
Tennis (Men, Women)
Badminton (Men, Women)
Rugby (Men and Juniors)
Track and Field (Men, Women)
Squash (Men, Women)
Table Tennis (Men, Women)
Body Building
Aerobics
Pilates
Dance
Youth Taek Won Do
Beginning Swimming
Fitness Swimming
Swimming (Men, Women)
Water Polo
Yoga
Lacrosse
American Football
Cheerleading Team

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Student Housing

As one of the few residential universities in the Middle East offering a beautiful campus where a rich extracurricular activity prevails, strong and supportive communities flourished offering thousands of residents the chance to experience the wonders of community living.
The priority is to accommodate undergraduate applicants, mainly freshman students from outside Beirut as well as international students.

Freshman students whose parents reside outside Beirut are required to live in the University’s residence halls throughout their first year unless otherwise requested in writing by their parents. Graduate students may be considered subject to availability. Arrangements for University housing are made through the Office of Student Affairs.

The Residence Hall application is available on the student housing website and must be submitted online. Early application is strongly advised.

The application form must completed and returned to the Office of Student Housing according to the deadlines set by the Office of Student Housing for each semester (usually in July for the Fall term, and December for the Spring term). Each student applying to the residence halls for the first time must pay a “dorm deposit” fee of LL 300,000 which may be paid in cash at the AUB Cashier or by check Issued In Lebanese Pounds or U.S. Dollars to the order of the American University of Beirut. This deposit will be reimbursed to the student upon graduation.

Students who do not live in a residence hall during the fall semester but wish to do so in the spring semester and/or summer session may apply and are assigned space subject to availability. For each semester the housing charges appear on the statement of fees issued to each student following the completion of the registration process; they vary depending on the type of accommodation selected as follows:

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Guest Rates
Residents have the right to host guests as per our guest policy (available online).

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* Semi-private units are only available in the women’s residence halls.
Residence Halls

There are seven student residence halls: five for women, two for men. The rooms are divided mainly into shared double and in rare instances, when availability permits, a few private rooms. The semi-private category is not available in the men’s residence halls.

All residence halls have heating, air-conditioning, hot water, washing machines, dryers, irons, and wireless Internet. Each room is equipped with a bed, desk, chair, and closet.

Women’s Residence Halls

Four women’s halls are located on the lower campus overlooking the Mediterranean, while the fifth is located off-campus in the heart of Hamra area within a short walking distance from campus. The ground floor of each hall houses a reception desk, a kitchen, and a lobby for socializing, receiving guests and watching television with cable subscription. International pay phones, printers/photocopies, laundry facilities and vending machines with snacks and soft drinks are installed at the residence entrance.

Men’s Residence Halls

The two men’s residence halls are located in the west part of the upper campus, overlooking the splendid Mediterranean and close to Bliss Street, with its abundance of shops. The ground floor of each hall houses a reception desk, a kitchen, and a lobby for socializing, receiving guests and watching television with cable subscription. International pay phones, printers/photocopies, laundry facilities and vending machines with snacks and soft drinks are available on the ground floor.

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Bursary Program

A number of students from the Arab world and beyond are sponsored to study at AUB by their national governments, or through private institutions. The Office of Student Affairs provides administrative support and financial updates to the sponsoring institutions or embassies.

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Work-Study Program

The Office of Student Affairs coordinates an extensive work-study program that provides workstudy opportunities on campus and for eligible undergraduate and graduate students.

During the academic year 2012–13 over 700 students participated in the work-study program working with faculty and administration in various campus offices and in the Medical Center.

The student application to the Work Study Program is available on the Work Study website and must be submitted online within the announced deadlines.

All full-time students in good academic standing may apply for vacant positions at the Office of Student Affairs. Selection is competitive.

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