GRADUATE STUDIES
at the American University of Beirut

EXPAND YOUR HORIZONS

DEFINE YOUR FOCUS

FULFILL YOUR AMBITIONS
AUB Facts
Founded in 1866, the American University of Beirut is approaching 150 years of excellence in education and research. The University bases its educational philosophy, standards, and practices on the American liberal arts model of higher education. AUB enjoys global diversity amongst its students, faculty, senior administrators, and staff.

Accreditation
- Degrees officially registered with the Ministry of Higher Education in Lebanon and at the Board of Education of the State of New York
- Institutional accreditation granted in June 2004 by the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, Philadelphia, USA, and reaffirmed in June 2009

Students
- Approximately 1,350 graduate students
- Approximately 2,000 international graduate and undergraduate students from over 60 different countries
- 60% females – 40% males

Faculty
- Approximately 600 professorial faculty
- Majority of faculty with highest degrees from leading institutions in the United States, Europe, and the Middle East

Alumni
- More than 50,000 alumni currently residing in approximately 90 countries around the world
- Holders of leadership positions in education, government, banking, business, engineering, science, and medicine

AUB Campus
Overlooking the Mediterranean Sea, AUB’s 60 acre main campus in the heart of Beirut includes:
- The AUB Medical Center
- The Charles W. Hostler Student Center
- Five libraries
- Computer labs
- The Archaeological Museum
- The Natural History Museum
- Athletic Fields
- A private beach
- Seven dormitories
- A bird sanctuary
- A repository of native and non-native trees and shrubs
- One of Lebanon’s few geological collections

In addition, AUB maintains a 247 acre research farm and educational facility located in the Beq’a Valley.
Graduate Programs

AUB currently offers an increasing variety of programs leading to Master's and PhD degrees, including interfaculty and interdisciplinary programs.

Master’s Programs

Interfaculty
- Master of Environmental Sciences
  - Environmental Health
  - Ecosystems Management
  - Environmental Policy Planning
  - Environmental Technology
- MS in Health Research

Division of University Interdisciplinary Programs (DUIP)
- MS in Energy Studies
- MA in Public Policy and International Affairs

Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences (FAFS)
- MS in Agricultural Economics
- MS in Animal Science
- MS in Food Technology
- MS in Irrigation
- MS in Nutrition
- MS in Plant Protection
- MS in Plant Science
- MS in Poultry Science
- MS in Rural Community Development

Faculty of Arts and Sciences (FAS)
- MA in Anthropology
- MA in Arabic Language and Literature
- MA in Archaeology
- MS in Biology
- MS in Chemistry
- MS in Computational Sciences
- MS in Computer Science
- MA in Economics
- MA in Education
  - Administration and Policy Studies
  - Elementary Education
  - Mathematics Education
  - Psychology – Tests and Measurements
  - Psychology – School Guidance
  - Science Education
  - Teaching of English as a Foreign Language
- MA in English Language
- MA in English Literature
- MA in Financial Economics
- MS in Geology
- MA in History
- MA in Islamic Studies
- MA in Mathematics
- MS in Mathematics
- MA in Media Studies
- MA in Middle Eastern Studies
- MA in Philosophy
- MS in Physics
- MA in Political Studies
- MA in Clinical Psychology
- MA in General Psychology
- MA in Public Administration
- MA in Sociology
- MA in Transnational American Studies

Suliman S. Olayan School of Business (OSB)

Graduate programs at the Suliman S. Olayan School of Business were accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) in April 2009.

Faculty of Engineering and Architecture (FEA)
- MME in Applied Energy
- ME in Chemical Engineering
- MS in Chemical Engineering
- ME in Civil Engineering
- MS in Construction Engineering
- ME in Electrical and Computer Engineering
- MEM in Engineering Management
- ME in Environmental and Water Resources Engineering
- ME in Mechanical Engineering
- MUDS in Urban Design
- MUP in Urban Planning and Policy

Faculty of Health Sciences (FHS)

Degrees offered by The Faculty of Health Sciences Graduate Public Health Program (GPHP) are accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH). The GPHP was the first such program outside the Americas to become CEPH accredited.

- Executive Master in Healthcare Leadership
- MS in Epidemiology
- MS in Population Health
- Master’s in Public Health
  - Epidemiology and Biostatistics
  - Health Management and Policy
  - Health Promotion and Community Health

Faculty of Medicine (FM)
- MS in Biomedical Sciences
  - Biochemistry
  - Human Morphology
  - Neuroscience
  - Microbiology and Immunology
  - Pharmacology and Therapeutics
  - Physiology
- MS in Orthodontics

Rafic Hariri School of Nursing (HSON)

The Rafic Hariri School of Nursing is the first nursing school beyond American territories to have its MSN program accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

- MS in Nursing
  - Adult Care
  - Community and Public Health
  - Nursing Administration
  - Psychiatry and Mental Health

Doctoral Programs

- PhD in Arab and Middle Eastern History
- PhD in Arabic Language and Literature
- PhD in Biomedical Sciences
  - Biochemistry and Molecular Genetics
  - Cell Biology of Cancer
  - Microbiology and Immunology
  - Neuronescences Program
  - Nutrition
  - Pharmacology and Toxicology
  - Physiology
- PhD in Cell and Molecular Biology
- PhD in Civil Engineering
- PhD in Electrical and Computer Engineering
- PhD in Environmental and Water Resources Engineering
- PhD in Mechanical Engineering

Applicants who have an excellent record of academic achievement and a potential for creative and independent work at the Bachelor’s level may be admitted into a PhD accelerated track at the Bachelor’s level.

Biomedical Sciences: Accelerated track at Bachelor’s level.

Faculty of Arts and Sciences: Accelerated track at the Bachelor’s level.

PhD in Civil Engineering

PhD in Cell and Molecular Biology

PhD in Chemical Engineering

PhD in Computer Science

PhD in Environmental Technology

PhD in Health Research

Division of University Interdisciplinary Programs (DUIP)

MS in Energy Studies

MA in Public Policy and International Affairs

Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences (FAFS)

MS in Agricultural Economics

MS in Animal Science

MS in Food Technology

MS in Irrigation

MS in Nutrition

MS in Plant Protection

MS in Plant Science

MS in Poultry Science

MS in Rural Community Development

Faculty of Arts and Sciences (FAS)

MA in Anthropology

MA in Arabic Language and Literature

MA in Archaeology

MS in Biology

MS in Chemistry

MS in Computational Sciences

MS in Computer Science

MA in Economics

MA in Education
  - Administration and Policy Studies
  - Elementary Education
  - Mathematics Education
  - Psychology – Tests and Measurements
  - Psychology – School Guidance
  - Science Education
  - Teaching of English as a Foreign Language

MA in English Language

MA in English Literature

MA in Financial Economics

MS in Geology

MA in History

MA in Islamic Studies

MA in Mathematics

MS in Mathematics

MA in Media Studies

MA in Middle Eastern Studies

MA in Philosophy

MS in Physics

MA in Political Studies

MA in Clinical Psychology

MA in General Psychology

MA in Public Administration

MA in Sociology

MA in Transnational American Studies

Suliman S. Olayan School of Business (OSB)

Graduate programs at the Suliman S. Olayan School of Business were accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) in April 2009.

Faculty of Engineering and Architecture (FEA)

MME in Applied Energy

ME in Chemical Engineering

MS in Chemical Engineering

ME in Civil Engineering

MS in Construction Engineering

ME in Electrical and Computer Engineering

MEM in Engineering Management

ME in Environmental and Water Resources Engineering

ME in Mechanical Engineering

MUDS in Urban Design

MUP in Urban Planning and Policy

Faculty of Health Sciences (FHS)

Degrees offered by The Faculty of Health Sciences Graduate Public Health Program (GPHP) are accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH). The GPHP was the first such program outside the Americas to become CEPH accredited.

- Executive Master in Healthcare Leadership
- MS in Epidemiology
- MS in Population Health
- Master’s in Public Health
  - Epidemiology and Biostatistics
  - Health Management and Policy
  - Health Promotion and Community Health

Faculty of Medicine (FM)

MS in Biomedical Sciences

- Biochemistry
  - Human Morphology
  - Neuroscience
  - Microbiology and Immunology
  - Pharmacology and Therapeutics
  - Physiology
- MS in Orthodontics

Rafic Hariri School of Nursing (HSON)

The Rafic Hariri School of Nursing is the first nursing school beyond American territories to have its MSN program accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

- MS in Nursing
  - Adult Care
  - Community and Public Health
  - Nursing Administration
  - Psychiatry and Mental Health
Student Employment and Other Financing Options

**PhD Fellowships**
- AUB granted more than $2 million in PhD fellowships in 2013–2014.
- Full coverage including tuition fees, stipends, and housing allowances
- [http://www.aub.edu.lb/main/academics/Pages/phd.aspx](http://www.aub.edu.lb/main/academics/Pages/phd.aspx)

**Master’s Graduate Assistantships (GA) and Graduate Research Assistantships (GRA)**
- AUB granted more than $5.7 million in graduate assistantships in 2013–2014.
- Financial aid covering tuition and stipends in return for assisting faculty members in teaching and/or research
- Appointments made on the dual basis of academic record and departmental needs
- [https://graduateadmissions.aub.edu.lb](https://graduateadmissions.aub.edu.lb)

**Master’s Student Work-Study**
- An opportunity for graduate students to contribute toward their educational expenses while developing job skills on campus and at the Medical Center
- Positions range from basic duties (typing and filing, dormitory reception duties, guide, and library work) to technical responsibilities (data entry, publication, or nursing aid) and more specialized jobs (web page design, computer programming, assisting in lab, and research)
- Placement made on the basis of qualification, need, and job availability
- [http://www.aub.edu.lb/sao/workstudy](http://www.aub.edu.lb/sao/workstudy)

Note: Students who are not seeking a degree, graduate students with GAs or GRAs, and students on probation are not eligible.

**Financial Aid Grants**
- Outright awards of assistance granted based first on demonstrated need and then on academic performance
- Financial aid (typically covering 15%-20% of tuition fees) available for eligible graduate students pursuing master’s degrees
- [http://www.aub.edu.lb/faid](http://www.aub.edu.lb/faid)

Note: Graduate students may not receive financial aid and graduate assistantship at the same time.

Please take middle spread and keep for reference
In general, admission applications to graduate programs may be submitted for Fall and Spring semesters. However, some programs are structured on an annual basis and hence admit new students in Fall semesters only.

It is advisable that applications for Master's and PhD programs be submitted for the Fall semester as early as possible. Applications submitted after the early deadline (and by the regular deadline) will be considered pending availability of places.

**Graduate Admission Application Timeline**

**August**
- Research program offerings, admission requirements, tuition fees, application deadlines... by referring to the Graduate Catalogue and/or contacting the Graduate Council

**September**
- Check if any English or other standardized examinations are required by your chosen program/ university in order to complete your application
- Pay attention to the exam(s) validity and required scores
- Seek a place for the required exam(s) taking into consideration the deadline for submission of official scores

**October**
- Create your online graduate application
- Contact your recommenders to request the recommendation letters

**November**
- Collect and upload the unofficial transcripts in the "Educational Background" section
- Draft a statement of purpose for each program you are applying to and upload it

**December**
- Verify that recommenders have submitted their letters via the online application
- Check financial aid options

**January**
- Review your application and double-check its completeness

**February**
- BY EARLY FEBRUARY: Finalize the payment of application fees and submit your online application

**April**
- BY MID-MARCH: Expect decision notification

**May**
- BY EARLY MAY: Confirm your enrolment (if admitted)

**August**
- BY MID-AUGUST: Submit university degrees
- Activation of records for new students starts

**September**
- END OF AUGUST: Online course registration begins
- EARLY SEPTEMBER: Classes begin

The exact deadlines are posted on the application homepage: [https://graduateadmissions.aub.edu.lb](https://graduateadmissions.aub.edu.lb)

Good Luck!
The Graduate Council

A department solely dedicated to graduate affairs across the University:
- Supporting graduate recruitment programs
- Providing information about admission to all graduate programs
- Administering graduate standards of scholarship and policy
- Encouraging the development and success of graduate students through workshops, training activities, counseling, and initiatives which promote timely degree completion

Graduate Support Units

http://www.aub.edu.lb/graduate_council
http://www.facebook.com/graduate.aub
@AUBGradCouncil

The Office of International Programs

A specialized office providing:
- Resources and services to support all international students with pre-arrival advice
- Advice on obtaining student visas or student residency permits
- De-mystification of processes and procedures on campus
- On-site orientation
- Mentoring and intercultural activities
- Forums (both electronic and in-person) for interaction with other AUB students

http://www.aub.edu.lb/oip
https://www.facebook.com/oip.aub
@OIP_AUB

English Proficiency Preparatory Program

Applicants to a graduate program, other than AUB graduates and graduates of colleges or universities recognized and located in North America, Great Britain, Australia, and New Zealand, must meet the English Language Proficiency Requirement (ELPR) by realizing a minimum score of any of EEE, TOEFL, IELTS, GRE General Verbal Part, GMAT Verbal Part. Admitted students who do not meet ELPR may register in the Graduate Intensive English course (UPGR 001).

UPGR 001 is designed to equip participants with the requisite English language skills and academic competencies for success in their graduate studies.

http://www.aub.edu.lb/fas/upp
Graduate Student Society

- An independent secular organization to enhance the graduate experience at AUB socially and academically
- A platform for graduates to voice demands, network and boost graduates’ engagement in community service and campus life

Housing

On-Campus Options
- Graduate students considered for accommodation at AUB students residences subject to availability

Off-Campus Options
- Plentiful off-campus housing is in the neighborhood surrounding the University
  - A Facebook page “AUB Off Campus Housing and Roommate Search” was set up to help students find roommates and/or housing in local furnished apartments with reasonable monthly rental rates.

Application Checklist

- Submission of admission application form online
- Photocopy of applicant’s identity card or passport
- Official transcript of college or university records (to be sent directly to the AUB Office of Admissions)
- Two or three recommendations as required for each major
- Official GRE/GMAT results (when applicable)
- English language proficiency requirement for students other than AUB graduates and graduates of recognized colleges and universities in North America, Great Britain, Australia and New Zealand
- Written statement of purpose
- Portfolio (if applicable)
- A non-refundable application fee of LL 75,000 or US$50

How to Apply

- Interested candidates should apply online at https://graduateadmissions.aub.edu.lb
- Information for graduate students (including admission application deadlines and Frequently Asked Questions) is made available at www.aub.edu.lb/graduate_council

For detailed information about the specific requirements of each program, please refer to the graduate catalogue http://www.aub.edu.lb/registrar/Pages/catalogue.aspx
Useful Links

The Graduate Council
http://www.aub.edu.lb/graduate_council

Admissions Office
http://www.aub.edu.lb/admissions

The Office of International Programs
http://www.aub.edu.lb/oip

Graduate Catalogue
http://www.aub.edu.lb/registrar/Pages/catalogue.aspx

The University Preparatory Program
http://www.aub.edu.lb/fas/upp

Student Affairs
http://www.aub.edu.lb/sao

Financial Aid Office
http://www.aub.edu.lb/faid

Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences
http://www.aub.edu.lb/fafs

Faculty of Arts and Sciences
http://www.aub.edu.lb/fas

Suliman S. Olayan School of Business
http://www.aub.edu.lb/osb

Faculty of Engineering and Architecture
http://www.aub.edu.lb/fea

Faculty of Health Sciences
http://www.aub.edu.lb/fhs

Faculty of Medicine
http://www.aub.edu.lb/fm

Hariri School of Nursing
http://hosn_aub.edu.lb

Division of University Interdisciplinary Programs
http://www.aub.edu.lb/duip

Scan the QR code with your smartphone for more info.