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## **AUB Yearbook Collection, 1928- present**

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## Descriptive Summary

**Call No.:** CA:P:AUB

**Bib record:** [b2603590x](#)

**Record Creator:** Campus Yearbook committee.

**Collection Title:** AUB Yearbook Collection, 1928-present.

**Collection Dates:** 1928-present

**Physical Description:** 97 volumes

**Language(s):** English

## Administrative Information

**Source:** Office of Student Affairs

**Access Restrictions:** The collection can be consulted within the premises of the Archives and Special Collections Department, Jafet Memorial Library, American University of Beirut; or through online access: <https://libraries.aub.edu.lb/digital-collections/collection/yearbooks>

**Photocopying Restriction:** No photocopying restriction except for fragile material.

**Preferred Citation:** AUB Yearbook, Date, v.-, p.-, American University of Beirut/Library Archives.

## Scope and Content

The AUB Archives and Special Collections hold the AUB Yearbook collection. The collection dates range from 1928 till present. There are some gaps due to civil war or COVID pandemic in 2020. The yearbooks are prepared by Campus Yearbook committee. They are published in English under different titles mainly Yearbooks and Campus. The yearbooks document AUB buildings and grounds, AUB Students' vibrant life and extracurricular activities such as sports and special events. Most volumes include photos of faculty and staff members and students along with a photo of every graduate in his cap and gown academics dress.

The Yearbook is a source for researchers interested in AUB student life and activities, and is a nostalgic memorabilia for alumni of their photos, photos of their classmates and their professors as well.

## Arrangement

The Yearbooks are arranged chronologically in two series:

**Series I:** Schools / Societies / Program related Yearbooks (1946-1962, 1984)

**Series II:** University wide Yearbooks (1928, 1963-present)

## Historical Sketch

The Yearbook of The American University of Beirut evolved through the years before reaching the familiar, current and regular AUB Yearbook or Campus.

In 1928 AUB published the first yearbook under the title "American University, Beyrouth, 1928". It consists of photos with no accompanying text. It includes photos of administrative officers; of different Buildings and Grounds; of the Preparatory School and different schools on Campus.

In 1946, The School of Pharmacy published its own yearbook under the name of "The Apothecary". Later in 1952, each school of the University published its own yearbook.

The School of Engineering was the first in 1952 to give the yearbook its name as the “Yearbook of the School of Engineering”. In 1956 the schools of Agriculture, Medicine and Public Health followed the School of Engineering by producing their yearbooks. It is in 1957 that the School of Arts and Sciences produced its first yearbook.

In 1963 the University wide yearbook came out. It was under the title “AUB Campus”, or “Campus”. The Students’ Yearbook committee was formed to be in charge. In 1984 the Off Campus Program of AUB (OCP) published its own Campus Yearbook under the title “Reflections”.

### **Yearbooks by AUB Schools**

The First Yearbook of a specific school was prepared by the students of the School of Pharmacy; “The Apothecary” periodical was published as a yearbook in 1946. The aim of “The Apothecary” was revealed in its first Editorial: “The purpose of the magazine is to serve as a record of our year’s activities, as a souvenir to the graduating students, as a medium in which to analyze and discuss our problems and to give valuable information in scientific subjects of current interest.” From 1959 until 1962, the title “Apothecary” was replaced by “The Pharmacy yearbook”.

Yearbook [of] the School of Engineering was published by the “Engineering Student Society”. The 1951/52 academic year witnessed the establishment of the School of Engineering; the editorial of the yearbook mentioned the purpose of publishing: “The increased importance of Engineering Education in a school with its own dean, faculty, building, and specialized student body in itself creating the need for the continuing recording of the activities of this new division. This publication, therefore, will serve as a major benchmark in what we hope will be a series of annual publications.”

Prepared by AUB Medical Students’ society “Caduceus” or the Yearbook of the American University of Beirut School of Medicine was published from 1956 till 1962. It covers the research and activities of the different departments of the School of Medicine and photos of the professors and of students of the Medical School.

In his acknowledgment of “Caduceus 1956”, the Editor –in- Chief, Suhayl Jabbur, said: “Perhaps it has been the understatement of the year to say that the medical students are not the first to start a yearbook. Who did is immaterial. We, for our part, recognize the Engineering Yearbook as our initial source of inspiration.” he continued: “Finally it has been our pleasure to produce a book equal in size of page and similar in general design to other yearbooks in AUB.”

The “Public Health Students’ society” published its first yearbook in 1956. The Yearbook Committee revealed that: “This publication primarily intended to include written and pictorial information of current student life and activities.”

In 1957, the School of Arts and Sciences published its own yearbook. In its editorial of the first A&S yearbook, the Committee Yearbook wrote: ... “It was during this year (1956-1957) that our school succeeded for the first time of its history to pull itself together into some form of unity. Thus it occurred to some of us that we could not let such an occasion pass without erecting a milestone on which this event may be recorded. Hence, the idea of Yearbook was born: to be the culminating crown of the glorious process.”

The Off Campus Program (OCP) issued its own Yearbook titled “Reflections” in 1984. The editor in chief, Nizar S. Nasr, wrote: “When we started the idea of having our own yearbook, we simply wanted to put together all the activities and events that took place in one year-period of time. “Reflections’ 84” is certainly

a book to be kept, for its true value lies there in the future, when a picture, a souvenir, a dream or even an illusion can remind us of the good all days.

## **A Unified Yearbook**

April 1963 was a special year for the publication of the yearbook. The unified yearbook of all the AUB schools was published at that year and continued till present. It is titled Campus1963. Through the years the name was sometimes “Campus” or “Our Campus”. President William Burns introduced the first issue by writing: “The publication of the first UNIVERSITY YEARBOOK, portraying the activities of all schools of the university is a significant achievement”. He explained: “in the past, each school prepared its own separate Yearbook with little reference to the varied activities of other parts of the institution. He continued: The unified Yearbook symbolizes our belief that a university, if worthy of the name, must be an integrated institution and not a collection of separate schools.”

Some exceptions in the publishing of Yearbook to be noted:

In 1975, Volume 12 of the Yearbook was published under “Our Campus”. The 2003-04 yearbook appeared as an electronic version only on CD- Rom; v. 32 (2005-2006) both appeared in print and digital format on a CD- Rom.

In all cases, the AUB yearbooks constitute a real source of research that reveals students’ life and activities at AUB, and provides a glimpse of the students’ individual and group concerns and interests.

## **Subject Headings**

American University of Beirut -- Students -- Periodicals.

American University of Beirut. Campus yearbook.

American University of Beirut -- Students -- Photographs.

Student activities -- Lebanon.

Clubs -- Lebanon.

## **Container List**

### **Series I: School / Society related Yearbooks**

#### **School of Agriculture**

[Yearbook \[of\] School of Agriculture: 1956-1962](#)

- 1956
- 1957
- 1960
- 1961
- 1962

#### **School of Arts and Sciences**

[Yearbook of the School of Arts and Sciences: 1957-1962](#)

- 1957

- 1958
- 1959
- 1960
- 1961
- 1962

## **School of Engineering**

### [Yearbook \[of\] School of Engineering: 1952-1962](#)

- 1952
- 1953
- 1954
- 1955
- 1956
- 1957
- 1958
- 1959
- 1960
- 1961
- 1962

## **School of Medicine**

### [Caduceus 1956-1962](#)

- 1956
- 1957
- 1958
- 1959
- 1960
- 1961-1962

### [Toubib 1979-1985](#)

- 1979
- 1980-1981
- 1984-1985

## **School of Pharmacy**

### [The Apothecary 1946-1958](#)

- 1946
- 1947
- 1948
- 1949
- 1950
- 1951
- 1952

- 1953
- 1954
- 1955
- 1956
- 1957
- 1958

#### [The Pharmacy Yearbook 1959-1962](#)

- 1959
- 1960
- 1961
- 1962

#### **School of Public Health**

#### [Yearbook of the School of Public Health 1956-1959](#)

- 1956
- 1957
- 1958
- 1959

#### **Off Campus Program**

#### [Reflections 1984](#)

#### **Series II: University wide Yearbooks**

#### [American University 1928](#)

#### [AUB Campus 1963- Present](#)

- 1963 (vol. 1)
- 1964 (vol. 2)
- 1965 (vol. 3)
- 1966 (vol. 4)
- 1967 (vol. 5)
- 1968 (vol. 6)
- 1969 (vol. 7)
- 1970 (vol. 8)
- 1971 (vol. 9)
- 1972 (vol. 10)
- 1973 (vol. 11)
- 1975 (vol. 12) [Our Campus]

*NB: AUB Campus was not published between 1976 and 1979*

- 1980 (vol. 13)

- 1981 (vol. 14)
- 1982 (vol. 15)
- 1983 (vol. 16)
- 1984 (vol. 17)
- 1985 (vol. 18)
- 1986-1988 (vol. 19)
- 1989-1990 (vol. 20)
- 1991-1992 (vol. 21)
- 1993 (vol. 22)
- 1994-1995 (vol. 23)
- 1996 (vol. 24)
- 1997 (vol. 25)
- 1999 (vol. 26)
- 2001 (vol. 27)
- 2002 (vol. 28)
- 2002-2003 (vol. 29)
- 2003-2004 on CD- ROM (vol. 30)
- 2004- 2005 (vol. 31)
- 2005- 2006 (vol. 32)
- 2006- 2007 (vol. 33)
- 2007- 2008 (vol. 34)
- 2008-2009 (vol. 35)
- 2009-2010 (vol. 36)
- 2010-2011 (vol. 37)
- 2011-2012 (vol. 38)
- 2012-2013 (vol. 39)
- 2013-2014 (vol. 40)
- 2014-2015 (vol. 41)
- 2015-2016 (vol. 42)
- 2016-2017 (vol. 43)
- 2017-2018 ( vol.44)

## **Related Material at AUB**

### **Archival Material**

- Campus Yearbook: Info on [AA:4.6.1.1](#)
- Campus Yearbook Committee [AA:4.1.1.2.1](#)
- Irregular Student Serials [AA:4.2.24](#)
- Student Serials [AA:4.2.2](#)
- Student Magazines, 1899-1934 [AA:4.2.1](#)

## Periodicals

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- [Alloy: different strokes for different folks.](#)
- [Bits and pieces of science / a publication of the Biology Students Society \(BSS\) at A.U.B.](#)
- [The Bulletin / Published by the Finance Club, American University of Beirut.T](#)
- [The C. S. S. Bulletin / issued by the Commerce Student Society, American University of Beirut.](#)
- [CES Civil news: the student newsletter of the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering/ American University of Beirut, Civil & Environmental Engineering Department, Civil Engineering Society.](#)
- [Civil News / American University of Beirut, Civil & Environmental Engineering Department, Civil Engineering Society.](#)
- [The Commoners: A commoners student publication.](#)
- [Discourse / published by the Philosophy students' Society at the American University of Beirut.](#)
- [Education Society newsletter.](#)
- [Engineering students bulletin / published by the Corporation of the class of 1962 - A. U. B.](#)
- [Focus: a magazine published semi-annually / The publication Committee of the Civil Welfare League of American University of Beirut.](#)
- [Geoletter: newsletter of the Geology Department A.U.B.](#)
- [Geonews / Geology Student Society](#)
- [Greenews / a publication of the Environment Club – AUB.](#)
- [Al Hawiyya / American University of Beirut. Palestinian Cultural Club.](#)
- [Horizon: a cultural magazine / published by the Philosophical Society at the American University of Beirut.](#)
- [Al-Kulliyah review.](#)
- [Medicus / Published by the Medical Students' Society of the American University of Beirut.](#)
- [Our struggle: an independent militant student publication at A.U.B.](#)
- [Outlook: the independent student publication since 1949.](#)
- [Political Studies and Public Administration Students' Society publication.](#)
- [Rusted radishes: Beirut literary and art journal.](#)
- [Techgate.](#)
- [U.O.P. times / American University of Beirut, University Orientation Program.](#)
- [Voices: the journal of the English Reader's Society / The English Department, American University of Beirut.](#)
- [Women only.](#)

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- [الرابطة al-Rābitah.](#)
- [العروة al-‘Urwah.](#)

## Photographs

- Centennial Edition of Campus Yearbook, 1968. [Ph:AUB:1968\(28\):01:52](#)
- Launching of Campus Yearbook 2010-2011, 2012. [Ph:AUB:2012/03/12\(02\):1-4:90](#)



- Campus Yearbook photos, 2011. [Ph:AUB:2011/04/01\(03\):110:88](#)
- Campus Yearbook, 1992. [Ph:AUB:1992\(06\):01:60](#)
- Campus Yearbook, 1982/83. [Ph:AUB:1983/05\(02\):1-2:56](#)

## Posters

- [Cap and Gown Graduates Photoshoot.](#)
- [Campus Yearbook 1991-1992.](#)
- [Campus Yearbook 2006.](#)
- [We Need your Picture: Campus Yearbook 2004.](#)
- [Don't Pass Unseen!](#)
- [AUB Throwback.](#)
- [Spring Graduates Cap and Gown Photoshoot.](#)
- [Graduates Cap and Gown Photoshoot.](#)
- [Don't Pass Unseen: Fall Graduate Photoshoot.](#)
- [Let us Give your Heart Out.](#)
- [Graduates Cap and Gown Photoshoot.](#)
- [Graduates Cap and Gown Photoshoot, Spring 2012 – 2013.](#)
- [Graduates Cap & Gown Photoshoot.](#)
- [Spring 2012 Graduates Cap & Gown Photoshoot.](#)
- [Graduates Cap and Gown Photoshoot, Fall 2012-2013.](#)
- [Dear AUB Graduating students stand out Bring the Change.](#)
- [Dear AUB Graduating Students Stand Out Leave Your Mark.](#)
- [أعزائي طلاب الجامعة الأميركية المتخرجين تميزوا اتركوا أثر](#)
- [Cap & Gown Photo-Shoot.](#)
- [Dear Graduates Don't Pass Unseen. \(2010\)](#)
- [Dear Graduates Don't Pass Unseen! \(2009\)](#)
- [Be in the Year Book.](#)
- [Dear Graduates Don't Pass Unseen. \(2008\)](#)
- [Don't Pass Unseen Be in the Yearbook.](#)
- [To All Students Wanted!: Photo 4 the Yearbook.](#)
- [Cap & Gown Photo Shoot.](#)
- [Cap and Gown Photography.](#)
- [Hungry Hearts': Dancing Party.](#)
- [Cap and gown.](#)
- [Graduates Cap and Gown photo-shoot, summer and fall 2011.](#)