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: http://staff.aub.edu.lb/~websao.

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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.
- **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.

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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, 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.

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)
Track and Field (Men, Women)
Squash (Men, Women)
Table Tennis (Men, Women)
Body Building
Judo
Aerobics
Pilates
Dance
Extreme Pump
Youth Taek Won Do
Beginning Swimming
Fitness Swimming
Swimming (Men, Women)
Water Polo
Yoga
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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.

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. Arrangements for on-campus housing are made through the Office of Student Affairs. The Admissions office sends each new student a residence application form as soon as she/he makes the commitment to enroll. A copy of the application is available on our webpage during June and early application is strongly advised.

The application form must be completed and returned to the Office of Student Affairs by Friday of the 2nd week of July for the fall semester, and by Friday of the 3rd week of December for the spring semester. Every new student applicant must pay a deposit fee of L.L. 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.

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:

Double	LL 1,867,000 (double occupancy room with a shared floor bathroom)
Semi-private	LL 2,306,000 (two double occupancy rooms with their own bathroom)
Private	LL 3,019,000 (single occupancy room with a shared floor bathroom)

The above rates do not include to women's off-campus MayFair Residence where the rooms are divided into double, single and suites, each having its own bathroom, balcony, and telephone.

MayFair Rates:

Double	LL 2,698,000
Private	LL 4,720,000
Suite	LL 5,058,000

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 priority is to accommodate undergraduate applicants, mainly freshman students from outside Beirut as well as international students. Graduate applicants are considered only if space remains. 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. A phone service for making local and international calls through prepaid cards is available in the lobby or reception area of each hall.

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, laundry facilities and vending machines with snacks and soft drinks are installed in the basements.

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, 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 work-study opportunities on campus for eligible full-time undergraduate and graduate students.

During the academic year 2009-10 over 450 students participated in the work-study program working with faculty and administration in various campus offices and in the Medical Center.

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

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