

Office of International Programs

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Passports, Visas, and Residence Permits

International students joining AUB, who do not hold Lebanese passports, must have their foreign passports valid for a period of not less than 13 months from the date of joining the University; they should also secure an entry visa from the nearest Lebanese Embassy or consulate in their country.

Once registered, all students who do not hold Lebanese passports are required to obtain a residence permit before the expiration of the entry visa stamped in their passports. Students must apply for this permit as soon as possible after arrival in Beirut, and ONLY after registering and paying AUB tuition fees. Applications are available in the Office of International Programs (OIP), or on the OIP website.

The International Programs Office, in coordination with the Office of the Registrar, will help to provide the necessary certificates for registered foreign students to acquire residence permits from the Lebanese authorities. Information about obtaining a residence permit is distributed at International Student Orientation at the beginning of each semester.

International Student Services

The Office of International Programs provides support to international students studying at AUB. During International Student Orientation (ISOP), all international students will be asked to register with OIP, so that the University will know how to reach you, and so that you will know about these special services:

- pre-arrival assistance
- orientation programs for international students
- AUB Ambassadors: AUB student volunteers are matched with international students on campus to help newcomers adjust to AUB and Lebanon
- social gatherings, activities, and trips for international students
- visa, travel, and residence permit information

Study Abroad/Student Exchange

AUB has several exchange/study abroad programs for undergraduate and graduate students. AUB's growing number of international partner institutions include:

- American University, USA
- American University of Cairo, Egypt
- Bogazici University, Istanbul
- Boston University, USA
- Danish School of Media and Journalism, Denmark
- l'Institut d'Etudes Politiques ("Sciences Po"), France
- Lund University, Sweden
- Royal Institute of Technology, Sweden
- Salzburg Academy on Media and Global Change, Austria
- Syracuse University, USA
- Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, Spain
- Universite de Montreal, Canada
- University of California, Berkeley, USA

For a complete list of exchange and other study abroad options at AUB, or to review the guidelines for study abroad, please visit <http://www.aub.edu.lb/oip> or Room 320 in West Hall.

OIP Resources for Faculty

The Office of International Programs is pleased to provide information to faculty on international standards of practice for credit transfer and grade transfer upon request. In addition, OIP maintains a current listing of all institutions/consortia/universities with which AUB maintains formal agreements for purposes of student exchange. Please note that exchange agreements cannot be put into effect at AUB without the approval of the Provost, for whom the Office of International Programs serves as the official conduit. Guidelines for the setting up of new international academic exchange agreements and similar linkages are available on the OIP website or by request from the Director.