

# Undergraduate Admissions Prospectus 2016–2017



# Welcome to AUS !

Choosing a university is one of the most important decisions that you will ever make. This prospectus will provide you with a brief introduction to life at AUS, the courses and programs, and will take you through the application process.

AUS offers you the chance to experience American education in the Gulf. That statement has four meanings. First, the standard of instruction is the same as that of outstanding universities in America. Second, the method of classroom instruction is American in its emphasis on individual initiative, active learning and the application of knowledge. Third, student life on campus is rich with clubs, sports and cultural events. Fourth, the curriculum is organized according to the American pattern of semesters and courses.

We encourage you to visit our magnificent campus, inspect our state-of-the-art facilities, talk with students, meet members of the faculty and discover for yourself why so many bright young men and women have made AUS their first choice.

Every academic year, representatives from the Office of Enrollment Management visit several countries in the region to introduce AUS to prospective students. These tours usually include attending international education exhibitions, visits to schools, and one-on-one meetings with prospective students and their parents, in addition to other activities. For more information on our regional tours, please check the news section on our website.

## Why AUS?

Your university experience is about more than books, papers and projects; it is also about participation and personal growth. As with the rest of life, what you get out of your university life depends upon what you put into it. At AUS, we offer you choices, encouragement and guidance to allow you to put your best into your university years and get the best returns.

## What is life like at AUS?

Your university years are a time to invest in your future. Your academic work and classroom experiences help you develop your mind, giving you tools for success in your chosen career. Student activities expand your horizons even further. Opportunities such as internships, clubs, plays, contests and student publications allow you to develop the talents you know you have and perhaps discover new ones. Invest your time, your mind and your spirit in AUS and reap the benefits of your hard work and dedication in years to come. We are there for you every step of the way.

**Need help with choosing  
a university?  
Visit [www.aus.edu/decide](http://www.aus.edu/decide).**

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# College of Architecture, Art and Design

The mission of the College of Architecture, Art and Design (CAAD) is to educate architects and designers who will advance the world of the built environment and visual communication with consideration, creativity and skill, and to foster in its students a regional and cultural awareness and the responsibility for creating the human environment.

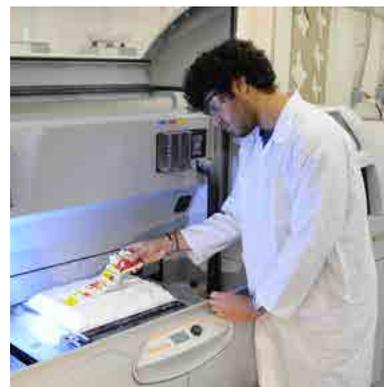
## Programs

- Bachelor of Architecture (BArch)
- Bachelor of Interior Design (BID)
- Bachelor of Science in Design Management (BSDM)
- Bachelor of Science in Multimedia Design (BSMD)
- Bachelor of Science in Visual Communication (BSVC)
- Master of Urban Planning (MUP)

Because enrollment in the College of Architecture, Art and Design is usually limited, applicants are encouraged to apply early.

*The Bachelor of Architecture program of the College of Architecture, Art and Design is accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) of the United States.*

Please see [www.aus.edu/caad](http://www.aus.edu/caad) for information on the minors offered.





# College of Arts and Sciences

The College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) provides a solid foundation for lifelong decision making and long-term career goals, whether you choose to pursue master's and doctoral degrees or seek employment upon graduation.

## Programs

- Bachelor of Arts in English Language and Literature (BAELL)
- Bachelor of Arts in International Studies (BAIS) with concentrations in:
  - international relations
  - international economics
- Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communication (BAMC) with concentrations in:
  - advertising
  - journalism
  - public relations
- Bachelor of Science in Biology (BSB)
- Bachelor of Science in Chemistry (BSC)
- Bachelor of Science in Environmental Sciences (BSES) with concentrations in:
  - environmental biology and ecosystems
  - environmental chemistry and analysis
- Bachelor of Science in Mathematics (BSMTH)
- Master of Arts in English/Arabic/English Translation and Interpreting (MATI)
- Master of Arts in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (MA TESOL)
- Master of Science in Mathematics (MSMTH)

Please see [www.aus.edu/cas](http://www.aus.edu/cas) for information on the minors offered.





# College of Engineering

The College of Engineering (CEN) gives students the engineering education needed for a professional career in the today's highly competitive and technological world.

## Programs

- Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering (BSChE)
- Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering (BSCE)
- Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering (BSCoE)
- Bachelor of Science in Computer Science (BSCS)
- Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering (BSEE)
- Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering (BSIE)
- Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering (BSME)
- Master of Science in Chemical Engineering (MSChE)
- Master of Science in Civil Engineering (MSCE)
- Master of Science in Computer Engineering (MSCoE)
- Master of Science in Electrical Engineering (MSEE)
- Master of Science in Engineering Systems Management (MSESM)
- Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering (MSME)
- Master of Science in Mechatronics Engineering (MSMTR)

Because enrollment in the College of Engineering is usually limited, applicants are encouraged to apply early.

*The bachelor of science degree programs in chemical engineering, civil engineering, computer engineering, electrical engineering and mechanical engineering offered by the College of Engineering are accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET ([www.abet.org](http://www.abet.org)). The bachelor of science degree program in computer science offered by the College of Engineering is accredited by the Computing Accreditation Commission of ABET ([www.abet.org](http://www.abet.org)).*

Please see [www.aus.edu/cen](http://www.aus.edu/cen) for information on the minors offered.





# School of Business Administration

The School of Business Administration (SBA) provides a high-quality educational experience and trains students to be successful professionals. The SBA teaching methodologies emphasize cutting-edge business education, integrated multidisciplinary approaches to teaching and learning, multimedia computer-based instruction and online research.

## Programs

- Bachelor of Arts in Economics (BAE)
- Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (BSBA) with a major in one of the following:
  - accounting
  - economics
  - finance
  - management
  - management information systems
  - marketing
- Master of Business Administration (MBA)
- Master of Science in Accounting (MSA)

*All School of Business Administration undergraduate programs have a common set of foundation courses. Majors selected by the students are considered intended, pending the successful completion of the foundation courses.*

*The Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (BSBA) and the Master of Business Administration (MBA) degrees offered by the School of Business Administration are accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB).*

*SBA is a member of the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business International.*

Please see [www.aus.edu/sba](http://www.aus.edu/sba) for information on the minors offered.





# Admission Procedures

American University of Sharjah places special emphasis on quality education. Applicants are considered on the basis of their qualifications regardless of race, color, gender, religion, disabilities, age or national origin. The most qualified candidates will be selected to fill the available places.

The medium of instruction is English, and a good command of the language, both oral and written, is essential for students to be successful at AUS.

For admission consideration, secondary school grades and university grade point averages (if applicable) must meet the minimum established standards as set by the university. Furthermore, applicants with previous university/college experiences applying to AUS as first-year students will only be considered if they were in good academic standing in their previous university/college, meet the AUS admission requirements and if seats are available.

All admitted students are required to pay a 5,000 UAE Dirhams deposit to guarantee a seat reservation and a 500 UAE Dirhams dorm room deposit (if applicable). Both deposits are non-refundable and non-transferable to others under any circumstances and must be paid before the established deadline.

The offer of admission, regardless of type, is valid only for the semester for which a student applies. If an applicant is granted admission for a certain semester and for some reason fails to register for that semester, the applicant may request, in writing, deferring admission for the following semester only. Admission consideration for the following semester will depend on available places and the established admission criteria.

AUS will assist accepted students in applying for a UAE student visa, if needed, as per the UAE government rules and regulations. Approval of visa requests rests solely with the UAE Immigration Authority.

The university requires regular attendance at all classes, lectures, laboratory sessions and seminars.

**Apply online at [www.aus.edu/apply](http://www.aus.edu/apply).**

## Minimum Admission Requirements

AUS's minimum admission requirements depend on the applicant's type of secondary education program and certificate. In all cases, for non-vocational certificates, only subjects classified as academic are accepted for admission consideration and the calculation of averages. Admission to the university is competitive, and the actual required minimum average for admission consideration and to guarantee a seat will depend on:

- secondary education certificate or school average
- SAT scores (as applicable)
- number of qualified applicants
- number of available seats
- TOEFL (iBT) score 80 and above or IELTS (Academic) score 6.5 and above

However, the minimum required average for accepting an application for admission consideration is the equivalent of 80 percent or more in the final year (depending on the education system) of secondary education, or 80 percent or more in the best two out of the last three years. Higher averages may be applicable for certain colleges and or majors. Other program-specific requirements or restrictions may also apply.

## Recognized Secondary School Certificates

Secondary school certificates are awarded either by ministries of education or by private schools and institutions. AUS recognizes certificates awarded by ministries of education. However, some countries award two levels of secondary school certificates. In this case, the university recognizes the higher certificate. The university accepts certificates awarded by private secondary schools that are recognized by their host country.

The university also accepts certificates awarded by recognized qualification authorities, international boards and national boards.

Following is a list of some common certificates and the corresponding minimum levels of performance required for accepting an application to AUS. These certificates and levels of achievement serve as guidelines only for admission to AUS and may change depending on the education system or school. Moreover, they may differ from other institutions or the standards that are generally accepted in an applicant's native country. The university may consider other types of secondary school certificates.

Deadlines for applying  
Fall Semester 2016

Early Applicants:  
**April 14, 2016**  
Regular Applicants:  
From outside UAE:  
**June 28, 2016**  
From inside UAE:  
**July 14, 2016**



Deadlines for applying  
Spring Semester 2017

From outside UAE:  
**December 14, 2016**  
From inside UAE:  
**December 29, 2016**



- **National General Secondary School Certificates (Arts or Science):** Minimum required average is the equivalent of 80 percent or more in the final year national exam, or 80 percent or more in best two years.
- **American-style High School Diploma:** Depending on the school grading system, minimum 3.0 CGPA (or equivalent) on a 4.0 scale (only subjects classified as academic are considered in the calculation of the CGPA). SAT scores are also required.
- **International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma:** Must complete any six subjects, with at least three at the higher level.
- **Lebanese Baccaalaureate:** Obtaining the baccaalaureate, with an average equivalent to 80 percent.
- **French Baccaalaureate or equivalent:** Obtaining the baccaalaureate, with an average equivalent to 80 percent.
- **Pakistani Board(s) Certificates:** Higher Secondary School Certificate (Part II) required, with an average equivalent to 80 percent.
- **Indian Board(s) Certificates:** Senior Secondary School Certificate (12th Standard) required, with an average equivalent to 80 percent.
- **Iranian Certificate:** Completion of pre-university year required, with an average equivalent to 80 percent.
- **German Abitur:** Minimum average of three required.
- **IGCSE, GCSE, GCE:** For an application to be accepted for admission consideration, applicants must submit a minimum of eight different IGCSE/GCSE and/or GCE subjects with four C grades and four B grades, or higher. Also, applicants must complete 12 years of schooling. A School Leaving Certificate must be provided, showing the last grade (year) completed.

However, priority in admission consideration and the selection of majors will be given to applicants who meet the following requirements:

- Complete GCE advanced supplementary level (AS-level) and/or advanced level (A-level) subjects.
- Applicants with the highest grades.
- Subjects must be from at least four different subject groups. Also, only subjects classified as academic by AUS (including arts and creativity subject group) will be accepted for admission consideration.

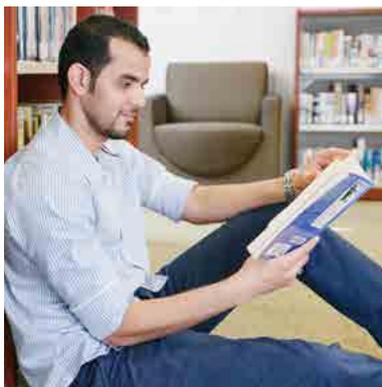
Deadlines for transfer applicants

Fall Semester 2016:

**June 8, 2016**

Spring Semester 2017:

**December 21, 2016**



#### **Note**

IGCSE, GCSE, GCE and other similar examination results issued late for a particular semester may result in deferring the application to be considered for admission for the following semester.



## Procedures for Applying

To apply to AUS:

- Applicants may apply online by visiting [www.aus.edu/apply](http://www.aus.edu/apply).
- Applicants may also choose to submit their applications by hand to the Office of Enrollment Management - Undergraduate Admissions. The application form is enclosed in the prospectus folder.

Undergraduate Admissions receives applications during the following periods:

Fall Semesters: mid-November to mid-July | Spring Semesters: October to mid-December |  
Summer Semesters: January to mid-May

There are three types of admission procedures: early, regular and transfer.

### Early Admission

If you are in your final year of secondary school, you are encouraged to apply for early admission by submitting official grade reports from at least the last two years previous to the final year of secondary school and SAT scores (as applicable). Since seats are usually limited, it is especially important for applicants to the College of Engineering and the College of Architecture, Art and Design to apply early to reserve a seat. Moreover, applicants with the highest grades who have the required TOEFL score or IELTS score (and SAT scores as applicable) will be given priority in admission consideration. Processing of early admissions applications for fall semester starts during the month of March. Processing of applications for spring semester starts during the month of October. Early admission is only offered to highly qualified applicants and is not considered final until students submit the following before being allowed to register for classes:

- a recognized and officially certified secondary school certificate or equivalent showing successful completion of secondary education
- all other items as requested in the letter of admission

### Regular Admission

If you have completed your secondary school education and have a secondary school certificate, you can apply through the regular admission procedure. To do so, you must submit the following documents:

- a recognized and officially certified secondary school certificate or equivalent and the grades from the last three years of secondary schooling showing your grade average and class rank (if available)
- officially certified documentation of national secondary school final exams results (if taken)
- SAT scores (as applicable)

Processing of regular admissions applications for fall semester starts during the month of May. Processing of applications for spring semester starts during the month of October.

## Transfer Applicants

Depending on available seats, candidates transferring from institutions of higher education may be considered for admission subject to the following conditions:

- They are in good academic standing, i.e., not on probation or dismissed from the institution from which they are transferring.
- They are transferring from a recognized and accredited institution of higher education offering learning experiences equivalent to those offered at AUS and have successfully completed one or more semesters in that institution. Moreover, the College of Engineering will not award transfer credit for engineering or computer science courses completed at academic programs not recognized by ABET, [www.abet.org](http://www.abet.org). Business administration courses will be considered for transfer only from programs accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) or from universities approved by the School of Business Administration.
- Prior to their admission to the institution from which they are transferring, they met the AUS requirements for admission.
- They meet the English language proficiency requirements of AUS.
- They submit official transcripts of their high school and college/university records along with the syllabi and descriptions of courses they seek to transfer.
- They achieved at their institution a minimum cumulative grade point average (CGPA) as required by AUS for that type of institution.

Transfer applicants from four-year colleges/universities with a similar mission to AUS may be awarded transfer credits. The minimum required course grade(s) to be considered for credit transfer will depend on the institution the applicant is transferring from.

Courses taken more than five years prior to matriculation as an undergraduate student at AUS are not transferable. Furthermore, of the total credits required for a degree, a maximum of 50 percent of the credits completed in residence at another institution can be considered for transfer.

The decision regarding credits awarded is made solely by the appropriate academic division dean/department head at AUS. See the *AUS Undergraduate Catalog* for further details.

## Documents Required for Admission to AUS

The following documents are required to process an application for admission:

- AUS application for admission, with every item in the application completed
- official secondary school certificate certified by the appropriate authorities\*
- official grade reports of the last three secondary school classes certified by the appropriate authorities
- SAT scores (as applicable)
- four recent photographs

- seeking (early, regular or transfer) a photocopy of the applicant's passport
- a photocopy of the applicant's UAE national ID (for UAE residents)
- the required Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) score, or International English Testing Systems (IELTS) Academic, if available at the time of applying
- a non-refundable application fee of 400 UAE Dirhams
- a non-refundable transcript evaluation fee of 400 AED for transfer applicants (deductible from tuition upon joining AUS)
- the appropriate documents for the type of admission you are

\* From country of origin: certification by the authorized educational authority, the country's ministry of foreign affairs and the UAE Embassy. From UAE: certification by the UAE Ministry of Education.

## Program Admission Requirements

Certain types of secondary school certificates are accepted only for specific programs at AUS.

### Literary Certificates

Holders may be admitted to:

- the College of Arts and Sciences, except environmental sciences, chemistry, biology and mathematics majors
- the College of Architecture, Art and Design, except architecture and interior design majors
- any major offered by the School of Business Administration

### Scientific Certificates

Holders may be admitted to any major in any of the colleges/schools.

### Technical and Vocational Secondary School Certificates

Highly motivated and academically qualified students may be admitted to a major that corresponds to the nature of the technical or vocational secondary school program. For example, the holder of a technical secondary school certificate in electricity may apply to electrical engineering.

## Proficiency Tests

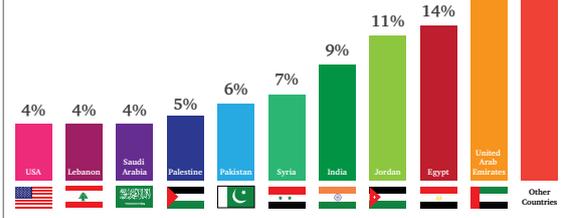
### Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or International English Language Testing System (IELTS)

To complete the requirements for admission to any college/school, applicants must take TOEFL or IELTS.

A minimum score of 80 or higher on TOEFL iBT, or 550 or higher on the AUS Institutional Paper-Based TOEFL (ITP) or 6.5 or higher on IELTS (Academic) is required for admission to the first year. Students who do not attain the minimum score but who otherwise meet AUS admissions standards may be admitted to the Achievement Academy Bridge Program at the university. TOEFL scores and IELTS scores are valid for two calendar years only. Institutional TOEFL test versions taken at institutions other than AUS will not be accepted.

### Ten Leading Nationalities at AUS for Fall 2015

Total number of nationalities at AUS: 94



Student athletic programs	
Badminton	Squash
Basketball	Swimming
Chess	Table Tennis
Cricket	Taekwondo
Fitness and Weight Lifting	Tennis
Karate	Track and Field
Soccer	Volleyball

## Placement Tests

All freshman applicants who attain the minimum score of 80 or higher on TOEFL iBT, or 550 or higher on the AUS Institutional Paper-Based TOEFL (ITP) or 6.5 or higher on IELTS (Academic) are required to sit for placement tests appropriate for their intended majors as shown in the following chart. For details, contact the AUS Testing Center at +971 6 515 1111 or <https://infodesk.aus.edu>.

## Easy Communication

Whether you are an applicant, a high school student or a professional seeking higher education, you can communicate via InfoDesk to receive all the enrollment-related information that you might need.

Using InfoDesk ensures that all your information requests reach the right person, and that they are processed in a suitable and timely manner. To post your queries, please sign up to InfoDesk <https://infodesk.aus.edu>. For other information such as on-campus accommodation, visa-related information, financial grants and information technology issues, please contact the concerned department directly. Department contact details can be found on page 29.

Major	Required Placement Tests				
	Engineering Math	Business Math	Architecture Math	Physics	English
Architecture/Interior Design	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Biology/Chemistry/Environmental Sciences	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Business Administration (all majors)/Economics (BA)	No	Yes	No	No	Yes
Computer Science	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Design Management	No	Yes	No	No	Yes
Engineering majors	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
English Language and Literature	No	No	No	No	Yes
International Studies (International Relations Concentration)	No	No	No	No	Yes
International Studies (International Economics Concentration)	Yes*	Yes*	No	No	Yes
Mass Communication	No	No	No	No	Yes
Mathematics	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Multimedia Design/Visual Communications	No	No	No	No	Yes
Undeclared Major	**	**	**	**	**

\* Students with a declared concentration in international economics must take either the business math placement test or the engineering math placement test.

\*\* Students with undeclared major should take all the placement tests of their intended major.

Note: The appropriate placement test(s) must be taken before a student can enroll in the corresponding first-year course.

## Checking Your Application Status

Applicants may check their application status and any possible missing documents by accessing the AUS online service Self Service Banner (SSB).

To use the service, go to <https://banner.aus.edu>, and log in to Web Enabled Interface for Students using your provided AUS email username and password. Once logged in, go to Current Applicants, then go to Check Current Application Status and Pay Online and view the Status and Documents Checklist.

Submitting missing document(s) can be done in one of the following ways:

- In person: Submit the documents by hand to Undergraduate Admissions located in the Main Building, Ground Floor.
- InfoDesk: Scan the documents and log in to <https://infodesk.aus.edu> to upload them. Only proper scans are accepted. Snapshots by devices are not accepted.
- By mail: Send the missing document(s) by courier mail to: Undergraduate Admissions - American University of Sharjah – PO Box 26666, Sharjah, UAE. Telephone: +971 6 515 1000. Do not mail money or any original document(s) that you can not duplicate.

Note that updates can be seen on SSB within three to five working days.

Student clubs on campus	
Ethnic and National Clubs	
American Cultural Club	Jordanian Cultural Club
Armenian Cultural Club	Korean Cultural Club
Bahraini Cultural Club	Lebanese Cultural Club
Bangladeshi Cultural Club	Moroccan Cultural Club
Brazilian Cultural Club	Nigerian Cultural Club
British Cultural Club	Omani Cultural Club
Chinese Cultural Club	Pakistani Cultural Club
Egyptian Cultural Club	Palestinian Cultural Club
Emirati Cultural Club	Russian Cultural Club
French Cultural Club	Saudi Cultural Club
Indian Cultural Club	Somali Cultural Club
Iranian Cultural Club	Spanish Cultural Club
Iraqi Cultural Club	Sri Lankan Cultural Club
Islamic Cultural Club	Sudanese Cultural Club
Italian Cultural Club	Syrian Cultural Club
Japanese Cultural Club	Tunisian Cultural Club
Interest-Oriented Clubs	
Aerospace Engineering Club	Industrial Engineering Club
American Institute of Chemical Engineers Club	Innovators Club
American Society of Civil Engineers Club	<i>Leopard</i> Club Newspaper
American Society of Mechanical Engineering Club	Management Information Systems Club
Architecture and Design Club	Marketing Club
Astronomy Club	Mass Communication Club
Biology Club	Math Club
Book Club	Modern Visual Arts Club
Business Management Club	Motorsports Club
Chemistry Club	Movie Club
Computer Club	Music Club
Debate Club	Performing Arts Club
Drama Club	Philosophy Club
Economics Club	Photography Club
Engineers Without Borders Club	Power Hits Radio Club
Entrepreneurship Club	Project Management Club
Environmental Club	<i>Realms</i> Literary Club
Filmmakers Club	Renewable Energy Society
Finance Club	Studio Club
Games Club	Traditional Poetry Club
Gastronomy Club	Women Empowerment Club

# Financial Grants and Scholarships

The university has designated funds available for highly qualified undergraduate students with limited financial resources. Admitted students who pay the seat reservation deposit before the deadline may apply for a financial grant regardless of their race, color, gender, religion or national origin. The relevant forms can be obtained by contacting the Office of Financial Grants and Scholarships only after receiving the letter of admission.

## Financial Grants

First-time students may apply for a financial grant if they meet the following requirements:

- have received an official letter of admission from the university
- have limited financial resources

The amount of grant to be awarded depends on the financial need and academic qualifications of the applicant. Moreover, approved applicants planning to reside on campus in sharing, double or single rooms may be also granted partial assistance toward their residential hall fees.

### Ratios on campus

- Male to female is 50.5 to 49.48
- The Student FTE to Faculty FTE ratio for Fall 2015 is 14.9:1 or 15:1.

### Our programs

26 undergraduate majors,  
46 minors,  
13 graduate degrees  
...and growing

### Advanced Standing

Students who achieve a minimum grade equivalent to B (3.0) in the IB Higher Level, GCE A-Level, the Lebanese Baccalaureate, the French Baccalaureate, the German Abitur or the American Advanced Placement Tests may be awarded course credits for some courses.

### Note

The AUS SAT code is 5543.  
The AUS iBT code is 0526.  
The AUS AP Designated Institution (DI) code is 5543.

### Facilities and services available on campus

Abela Cafeteria
Academic Support Center
Bank
Barber Shop
Blends and Brews Coffee
Book Store
Bowling Alley
Breakpoint Café
Burger King
Café Grab N Go
Copy Center
Day Care Center
Dunkin Donuts
Health Clinic
Ladies' Salon
Laundry Service
Library
Mini-Mart
Momento Café
Personal and Career Counseling
Pharmacy
Post Office
Sports Complex
Starbucks Coffee
Student Center
Student Employment
Student Leadership Program
Subway
Study Abroad Program
Testing Center
Transportation
Travel Agency
Writing Center
Yogurberry

### AUS students have done graduate studies at

American University of Sharjah
Bentley College
Carleton University
Columbia University
Concordia University
Coventry University
McGill University
New York Institute of Technology
New York University
Princeton University
Queen's University
Rochester Institute of Technology
The George Washington University
University of Birmingham
University of British Columbia
University of Cambridge
University of Edinburgh
University of Exeter
University of Leicester
University of Liverpool
University of Manchester
University of Michigan
University of Paris-Sorbonne
Washington University

## Scholarships

### Chancellor's Scholars Award

*(highly competitive and awarded only in fall semesters)*

Newly admitted students may apply for the Chancellor's Scholars Award, which ranges from 75 percent to 100 percent of the tuition fees if they meet the following requirements:

- submit an essay detailing extracurricular activities, talents, social activities and anticipated contribution to AUS
- outstanding personal qualities and leadership abilities in school and the community
- scientific or literary contributions to the community
- special school or community honors or awards
- community service and school extracurricular activities
- a minimum average of 95 percent or equivalent in the last three years of secondary education
- limited financial resources

### Merit Scholarship

Newly admitted students who achieve a minimum average of 95 percent or equivalent in the last year of secondary education are eligible for a merit scholarship of 10 percent of tuition fees. Transfer students are not eligible for a merit scholarship.



## Family Tuition Grant

For families that have more than one daughter/son enrolled simultaneously at AUS as full-time undergraduates in a degree program, a tuition discount of 25 percent is given to each sibling after the first. To receive the family tuition grant, students must complete an application available from the Office of Financial Grants and Scholarships. Applications must be received by the end of the first week of classes.

Forms for financial grants and scholarships can be obtained from the AUS website or by contacting the Office of Financial Grants and Scholarships by any of the following methods:

scholarship@aus.edu

Tel +971 6 515 2060/2072

Fax +971 6 515 4050

American University of Sharjah

PO Box 26666, Sharjah, UAE

www.aus.edu/grants\_scholarships

Where some of our faculty members earned their degrees	
Auburn University	Architectural Association
Boston University	Georgia Institute of Technology
Brown University	London School of Economics
Columbia University	Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Cornell University	McMaster University
Duke University	Michigan State University
Emory University	Ohio State University, Columbus
Harvard University	Princeton University
McGill University	Rhode Island School of Design
University of Paris-Sorbonne	Texas A&M University
Stanford University	University of California at Berkeley
Syracuse University	University of California, Los Angeles
University of Oxford	University of California, Santa Barbara
University of Utah	University of Edinburgh
University of Virginia	University of Manchester
Vanderbilt University	University of Toronto

Deadlines for financial grant and scholarship applications

Fall Semester 2016:  
**August 2, 2016**

Spring Semester 2017:  
**December 20, 2016**

### Note

Transfer students are eligible to apply for financial grants only after completing one semester at AUS.

Number of students in dorms

**2,289 students**  
**50.24 percent men**  
**49.76 percent women**

### Notes

- Cost of food is not included in the housing fees
- One US Dollar is equivalent to 3.65 UAE Dirhams (subject to change)



THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF SHARJAH

الجامعة الأمريكية في الشارقة

# Tuition and Fees

Tuition Fees for Academic Year 2016–2017* (All fees are in UAE Dirhams.)	
Tuition for all majors (12 to 16 credits)	44,860 per semester
Lab/Technology Fee Type A	1,240 per course
Lab/Technology Fee Type B	1,380 per course
Textbook Fee	500 per semester
Tuition for all majors is 89,720 UAE Dirhams per academic year. In addition, technology fees may apply based on the courses registered for in a given semester.	
Achievement Academy Bridge Program	29,140 per semester
Student Activities Fee	300 per semester
Health insurance is required of all students. The insurance fee is AED 300 per semester or AED 1,500 per year, depending on the type of plan applicable to each student.	

## Residential Halls

Choosing a university is also about choosing a home. We provide a wide range of support services to help you feel at home from day one.

There are 12 separate campus residential halls for men and women. Accommodations ranging from private rooms to double rooms are available. For more information, please visit [www.aus.edu/osa/residentialhalls](http://www.aus.edu/osa/residentialhalls).

Residence on campus is optional and only available for full-time undergraduate AUS students who have paid or arranged for the payment of their room, tuition and other university fees. Other student categories may be considered depending on the availability of rooms.

Housing Fees for Academic Year 2016–2017* (All fees are in UAE Dirhams.)		
Type of Room	Per Semester	Per Academic Year
Private room: Single occupancy with private bath and kitchenette (men's and women's dorms)	16,028	32,056
Semi-private room: Single occupancy with a shared bath and kitchenette (men's and women's dorms)	11,348	22,696
Shared room: Double occupancy with a shared bath and kitchenette (men's and women's dorms)	8,630	17,260
Single room: Single occupancy with a common bath and no kitchenette (men's dorms only)	5,980	11,960
Double room: Double occupancy with a common bath and no kitchenette (men's dorms only)	3,474	6,948
Utilities service fee	270	540
Residential halls maintenance deposit	1,000	

\*Subject to change pending approval of the AUS Board of Trustees. Check the AUS website for updates.

## Laptop Requirements

To take advantage of the innovative curriculum and technological infrastructure at the School of Business Administration (SBA), students admitted to SBA are required to have a laptop computer that is compatible with the AUS network, and have it available for use in various classes. They will be required to purchase a specific software package of materials that will need to be installed on their laptops. More specific information about that software package will be provided at orientation.

Students admitted to the College of Architecture, Art and Design are required at the outset of their third year to purchase a designated laptop.

AUS is evaluating additional student laptop programs and support. Prospective students in any program should not purchase a laptop for use at AUS without checking first with their major school or program.

## Payments

Payments to the AUS cashier are accepted in the following forms:

- Cash: Denomination of UAE Dirhams only
- Check: Current dated, UAE Dirhams checks drawn on UAE Bank (bounced checks are subject to fine)
- Cards: All major debit and credit cards (Card payments are subject to handling fees.)
- Direct deposit and bank transfer to:
  - Bank: Sharjah Islamic Bank (AUS Branch)
  - Account Name: American University of Sharjah
  - Account #: 0029-200170-001
  - SWIFT: NBSHAEAS
  - IBAN: AE65 0410 0000 2920 0170 001

\* The student's name (as per passport) and AUS ID number (if available) must be mentioned on all deposits and transfers.

\*\*Scan the deposit slip or transfer confirmation and email to [studentaccounts@aus.edu](mailto:studentaccounts@aus.edu) or fax it to Finance: +971 6 515 2190

**For further finance-related inquiries, please contact Student Accounts at +971 6 515 2233 or +971 6 515 2039 or +971 6 515 2282 or send email to [studentaccounts@aus.edu](mailto:studentaccounts@aus.edu).**

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ADNOC	Emirates National Oil Co.	Schlumberger
American University of Sharjah	Ernst and Young	Schneider Electric
Baker Hughes	Etisalat	Sharjah Economic Development
Bee'ah	IBM	Sharjah Museums Department
Cisco Systems	International School of Choueifat	Shaw Group International
Citibank	L'Oreal	Shell EP International
CNN	Microsoft	ShowTime
Crescent Petroleum	Nakheel	Standard Chartered Bank
Dell Computers	Nestle	Team Young & Rubicam
Deloitte & Touche	Nokia	Turner Construction
Deutsche Bank	Petrofac	UAE Armed Forces
DP World	Procter & Gamble	Unilever
DUBAL	Qatar Foundation	University of British Columbia
EFG-Hermes	Saatchi & Saatchi Advertising	Wade Adams Contracting
Emaar Properties	Saudi Aramco	World Gold Council
Emirates Airlines		



# Important Dates for 2016–2017

Dates are subject to change. See [www.aus.edu](http://www.aus.edu) to confirm.

## Fall Semester 2016

**August 18, Thursday**  
Residential halls open

**August 19, Friday**  
Welcome session for new students and parents

**August 21, Sunday**  
New students' academic and majors orientation

**August 22–23, Monday–Tuesday**  
Placement tests for new students (admitted late)

**August 24–25, Wednesday–Thursday**  
Registration for new students

**August 28, Sunday**  
First day of classes

**December 15, 2016, Thursday**  
Fall semester classes end

## Spring Semester 2017

**January 12, Thursday**  
Residential halls open

**January 13, Friday**  
Welcome session for new students and parents

**January 15, Sunday**  
New students' academic and majors orientation

**January 16–17, Monday–Tuesday**  
Placement tests for new students (admitted late)

**January 18–19, Wednesday–Thursday**  
Registration for new students

**January 22, Sunday**  
First day of classes

**May 9, Tuesday**  
Spring semester classes end

## Summer Term 2017

**May 28–29, Sunday–Monday**  
Orientation and registration

**May 30, Tuesday**  
First day of classes

**June 20, Monday**  
Summer session classes end

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# About AUS

American University of Sharjah (AUS) was founded in 1997 by His Highness Sheikh Dr. Sultan Bin Mohammad Al Qassimi, Member of the Supreme Council of the United Arab Emirates and Ruler of Sharjah. Sheikh Sultan realized his vision of a distinctive institution against the backdrop of regional history and in the context of the aspirations and needs of contemporary society in the UAE and the Gulf region.

American University of Sharjah is a not-for-profit, independent, coeducational institution of higher education formed on American models. AUS integrates liberal studies and professional education to give its graduates both breadth and specialization.

## Accreditation and Licensing

AUS is licensed and its programs are accredited by the Commission for Academic Accreditation of the Ministry of Education's Higher Education Affairs Division in the United Arab Emirates. AUS is accredited in the United States of America by the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools.

The bachelor of science degree programs in chemical engineering, civil engineering, computer engineering, electrical engineering and mechanical engineering offered by the College of Engineering are accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET ([www.abet.org](http://www.abet.org)). The bachelor of science degree program in computer science offered by the College of Engineering is accredited by the Computing Accreditation Commission of ABET ([www.abet.org](http://www.abet.org)).

The Bachelor of Architecture program of the College of Architecture, Art and Design is accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) of the United States, [www.naab.org](http://www.naab.org).

The Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (BSBA) and the Master of Business Administration (MBA) degrees offered by the School of Business Administration are accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB), [www.aacsb.edu](http://www.aacsb.edu).





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