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IXO Calendar

October 20, 2018

Deadline for Visiting Student Applications for Spring 2019

November 17, 2018

Deadline for Outgoing Exchange Student Applications to Study Abroad for Fall 2019

March 16, 2019

Deadline for Visiting Student Applications for Fall 2019

Welcome to AUS

IXO would like to extend a warm welcome to all incoming summer students. This year, we have 19 students coming from 8 countries. We hope they have a pleasant stay and an exceptional time at AUS.

Profile of Incoming IXO Summer 2018 Students

19

Total Incoming Students

4

Summer Intensive Arabic Program 10

Incoming Students with CENrelated Majors

2

Incoming Students with SBA-related Majors 7

Incoming Students with CASrelated Majors

1

Incoming Students with CAAD-related Majors

Visitors Hosted at AUS

Xinhua College of Sun Yet-Sen University

The IXO welcomed several professors to campus from Xinhua College of Sun Yet-Sen University, China. They met with Dr. Wei Zhao, Chief Research Officer at AUS, had a campus tour, and then met with IXO team members.





Delegates from Xinhua College

AUS is working to develop a closer relationship with Chinese universities, and hoping to attract more Chinese students for both degree programs and study abroad.



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Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University

We recently hosted a visit on Sunday, May 13, by Kirsty Mattinson, Head of International Student Recruitment and Support, Xia'an Jiatong-Liverpool University in China (XJTLU).

Increasing internationalization remains a cornerstone of XJTLU's vision and mission, and they are interested in the possibility of partnering with AUS.



Kirsty Mattinson, Guest from XJTLU

IXO Team for Summer 2018

The International Exchange Office will be open during Summer 1 Term from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Summer I Term IXO team will include:



Grace



Lillie



Anwar



Jon



Himo

IXO Team Updates

IXO's First Advisor

Anna Ray was the first ever IXO Advisor at AUS. She left the UAE in 2013 to move to Texas and get married. She had met her future husband while standing in the passport control line entering Houston to attend the NAFSA Conference for IXO. Her husband, Benjamin Hernandez, is now running for US Senate, representing Texas. Anna is currently attending a master's degree program in speech pathology at the University of Houston.







Anna Ray, Linda Angell and Benjamin Hernandez

Welcome, Anwar!

The IXO team extends a huge welcome to Anwar Elsheikh. Anwar is a computer engineering major and has just returned from her study abroad at Louisiana State University. She now will be joining the IXO Team as a Peer Advisor! Welcome, Anwar!



Anwar Elsheikh





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IXO Alumni Updates

Congratulations, Hope!

Hope Williams was an incoming student via API from Loyola University, Chicago, Illinois, USA in Summer 2017. She was recently accepted into Harvard University for her master's degree.

Congratulations, Hope! May success be with you, always. We wish you good luck!

Graduation Badges



IXO provides
graduates who have
studied abroad with
graduation "world"
badges to wear on
their graduation
stoles. Best wishes
to the graduates!

IXO News and Opportunities

Wuhan University of Technology

Wuhan University of Technology is inviting AUS professors to teach at their university. Professors can choose to spend one or a few months teaching within the Wales Undergraduate Program (Art and Design) in Wuhan, China. This program welcomes professors on subject areas related to art and design as well as other programs, such as automotive engineering, finance, marketing and more. The university is also welcoming graduates to work for a one-year contract. Interested professors and graduates can join from the Fall 2018 semester, beginning in September. For more information about this opportunity, please contact ixo@aus.edu.

Farewell, Outgoing Students!

Thirty-one AUS students received placements to study abroad at 16 host universities in the US and Netherlands during Fall 2018. Of these students, 15 are business majors, 6 are arts and sciences majors, 6 are engineering majors, and 2 are architecture majors. We are especially happy to note that all AUS colleges and schools are regularly sending their students to study abroad!

We wish these students a wonderful study abroad experience, and we are excited to hear about their intercultural adventures upon their return.



Outgoing Fall 2018 Study Abroad Students Attending Pre-departure Orientation

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Profile of Incoming IXO Fall 2018 Students

40

Incoming Students 34

Universities
Sending
Students to
Study Abroad
at AUS

7

Incoming Incoming
Students with
SBA-related CEN/CAADMajors related Majors

23

Incoming Students with CASrelated Majors

7

Countries Sending Students to Study Abroad at AUS

IXO Team Farewells

IXO said a fond farewell to two wonderful Peer Advisors, and one publicity specialist, all of whom graduated in Spring 2018: Leontia D'Silva, Shaza Essa and Tasnim Tinawi.

We were also very sad to have to say goodbye to our long-serving and extended team member, Hong Ho, Regional Director for Academic Programs International (API).

We thank them all for their service, and wish them well in their exciting new endeavors!



Farewell to Spring 2018 IXO Team Members

Farewell to Spring 2018 Exchange Students

Sadly, we also had to bid farewell recently to our Spring 2018 study abroad students returning to their home universities at the end of the semester.

IXO took the students for a lovely and traditional Emirati dinner at Al Fanar Restaurant in the Al Majaz Waterfront area of downtown Sharjah. Our tradition is to always wear Emirati national dress during our farewell dinners, and this was no exception.

IXO wishes the best to all students and hopes they had a wonderful time at AUS during their stay.



Farewell Dinner at Al Fanar Restaurant



Wishing Our Community Eid Mubarak