

Student Opportunities

Study Abroad in Spring 2017

Applications are now open for AUS students who want to study abroad in the Spring 2017 semester.

The **deadline** for all applications is **May 7, 2016**.

Visit IXO (MG43) to talk to a Peer Advisor about your options. To apply or for more information, visit www.aus.edu/ixo or contact us at ixo@aus.edu.



Summer Programs

Looking to have an adventurous summer? Come to IXO (MG43) to take a look at our summer program booklets. There are some amazing summer study abroad opportunities such as Hessen International Summer University, Germany; East Carolina University, USA; The George Washington University, USA; and many more! To make sure the summer program you choose meets AUS requirements, visit the Office of the Registrar.

IXO News

Congratulations, Sirine!

IXO Peer Advisor Sirine Dhaouadi was runner-up in the International Student Exchange Program (ISEP) Photography Contest! Her winning photo was taken during her study abroad at Nanzan University in Japan during Fall 2015.



IXO Peer Advisor Sirine Dhaouadi

IXO Calendar

March 20-21

Study Abroad Fair

March 22

Library Workshop about Study Abroad Application Procedures

March 26

Trip to Abu Dhabi for Spring 2016 Incoming Study Abroad Students

March 30

Lecture by Abu Bakr Al Ani about Arabic Language/Culture

May 7

Application deadline to study abroad in Spring 2017

IXO Graduates and New Peer Advisors

Congratulations to IXO Peer Advisors Mohamed Hegazi, Ibrahim Salloum and Hams AlWalid on their graduation from AUS!



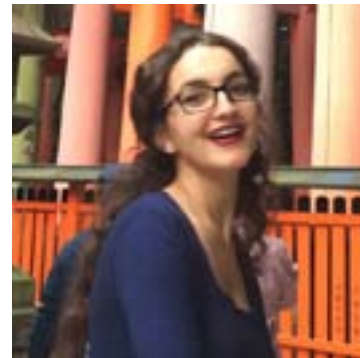
Mohamed Hegazi, Hams AlWalid and Ibrahim Salloum (left to right)

Hegazi and Salloum both graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering. Hegazi worked at IXO since Spring 2014 and studied abroad at Louisiana State University, USA, in Fall 2013. Salloum worked at IXO since Summer 2014 and studied abroad at Washington State University, USA, in Spring 2014.

AlWalid graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering. She worked at IXO since Spring 2015 and studied abroad at University of Utah, USA, in Fall 2014.

IXO wishes the graduating advisors the best of luck for their future endeavors. As we bid them farewell, we also welcome recently returned IXO students as new Peer Advisors to the IXO team.

New IXO Peer Advisors Spring 2016



Sirine Dhaouadi
Electrical Engineering
Studied Abroad at Nanzan University, Japan, in Fall 2015



Bilal Ahmed
Mechanical Engineering
Studied Abroad at Utah State University, USA, in Fall 2015

Visiting Delegations and Scholars

San Diego State University

IXO recently hosted a visiting delegation from San Diego State University, a fellow university under the ISEP network. IXO is working with San Diego State University to establish a bilateral partnership to enable more AUS students to study abroad at this popular host university.



Erik Williamson and Maria Williamson of San Diego State, with Dr. Linda Angell and Osama Mafraji, IXO (left to right)

MCPHS University

AUS was also visited by George E. Humphrey, a visiting scholar and representative of Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (MCPHS University), Boston, Massachusetts, USA, which is interested in developing future collaborations with AUS.



Sirine Dhaouadi and Dr. George Humphrey (left to right)

British Council

On February 15, IXO met with several representatives from the British Council during their visit with the AUS Achievement Academy to present AUS's approach to international exchange and to discuss the possibility of setting up a bilateral exchange agreement with an appropriate British university at some point in the future.



Megan Agnew, IELTS Deputy Global Marketing Manager; Claire Murphy, Tahani Qadri and Jessica March, AUS Achievement Academy; Amna Khan, IELTS Stakeholder Relationship Manager, UAE & Oman (left to right)

IXO Events

Days out in Sharjah and Dubai

During IXO orientation week, the Spring 2016 exchange students visited many places in Sharjah, such as the Sharjah Heritage Museum, the Blue Souk, Al Qasba and the Sharjah Arabian Wildlife Centre. They also visited the Dubai Museum, had a cultural breakfast at the Sheikh Mohammed Centre for Cultural Understanding, and took abras across the Dubai Creek and visited the Gold and Spice Souks in Deira, Dubai.



Spring 2016 incoming study abroad students at the Sharjah Arabian Wildlife Centre



Spring 2016 incoming study abroad students at the Sheikh Mohammed Centre

IXO Mixer

IXO recently held a gathering that included the recently returned AUS students who studied abroad in Fall 2015, inbound study abroad students who are currently studying at AUS for the Spring 2016 semester, and AUS students who will be studying abroad in Fall 2016. During this session, students engaged in cultural discussions and shared stories about their study abroad experiences.



Spring 2016 incoming study abroad students at IXO Mixer