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Ramadan Kareem

May the Holy month of Ramadan be as bright as ever and bring joy, health, success and wealth to everyone. May it brighten up you and your near and dear ones lives. May the light that we celebrate at Ramadan show us the way and lead us together on the path of peace and social harmony. We wish you a blessed and happy Ramadan.

FINAL reminder! DEADLINE APPROACHING for study abroad in Spring 2012!

Study Abroad at AU, in Washington D.C., U.S.A
REQUIREMENTS: 3.0 and above GPA
NO engineering courses

**Study Abroad at Simon Fraser University,
Vancouver, Canada**
REQUIREMENTS: 2.5 and above GPA
NO business courses

Study Abroad at Louisiana State University, U.S.A
REQUIREMENTS: 2.5 and above GPA

Study Abroad at Sciences Po, Paris, France
REQUIREMENTS: 3.5 and above GPA

**Study Abroad at James Madison University,
Virginia, U.S.A**
REQUIREMENTS: 2.5 and above GPA
NO business courses

**Deadline for all ISEP applications for Spring 2012 is
August 15th.**
REQUIREMENTS: 2.75 and above GPA

Now You Can Apply Online!

Apply to any of our partner universities online. You can also find useful information about the universities and requirement details. Visit this website for more information or to start your application:

<http://aus.studioabroad.com>
Deadline September 1st!

For more information on studying abroad, stop by MG43 or call 06 515 4027 to speak with a member of our staff. (Students must be in good standing, Junior I and II, or Senior I In coming Fall 2011 to apply for study abroad in Spring 2012).

Good luck to our Fall 2011 students!

So far eight students are going to study abroad for Fall 2011. Most of them are going to the United States, UK and Austria. Fahad Mughal is going to West Virginia University, Mona Ashraf to Chester, Sidiqa to Graz, Mohamed Metwally to University of Vermont, Maram and Salman to AU, and Montaha to LSU. We wish you all a great semester.

Join our facebook page and follow us on twitter to keep up with exchange adventures!



Thank you Margaret :)

Margaret is working in the IXO office as a volunteer. She lives in Windsor, England and used to work as a Library Assistant in a hospital medical library. She moved to Sharjah in March 2011. "I really enjoyed meeting the incoming exchange students and hearing about their impressions of living in the UAE. I am pleased to say that I like living in Sharjah – I like the people, the food and the weather! People are very polite and are happy to help me if I get lost. The only thing I don't like is the driving. I am looking forward to helping the new exchange students settle into life in the AUS campus."

Goodbye Summer 2011 and Welcome Fall 2011 International Students.

Visiting students from different countries are leaving AUS after finishing summer 2011. Heading back to their countries after spending a nice summer in AUS and visiting lots of places around UAE. We wish you a happy journey and hope that you arrive home safely. We will miss you.

IXO also is happy to welcome many visiting and exchange students coming for Fall 2011. The students are coming from different countries, mostly from the United States, Germany, Kuwait and Qatar. We hope they accomplish and achieve what they come for and we wish them a great semester in UAE and hope they benefit from its culture.

Best Advice From Past IXO Students

"Try your best to get to know other students. Keep your head up. This is supposed to be the greatest adventure of your young life. Even when you get frustrated, just remember why you're here. Don't let the little things bother you. You're becoming a better person. Make the most of the UAE's location and travel frequently. Plan your time efficiently, so you can take advantage of all the amazing activities IXO and AUS have to offer. Be prepared for the heat. Have fun, learn as much Arabic as possible if that is your goal and make lots of Arabic friends. Be prepared for a hard academic workload."



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