Bachelor of Arts in International Studies

Creating global citizens for a changing world
We live in a world where creative problem solving and an understanding of the historical and social complexity of the world are vital for success in any endeavor. The Bachelor of Arts in International Studies at American University of Sharjah will teach you to think on your feet, understand the big picture, see situations from a variety of perspectives and possess a sense of social conscience. With these characteristics you can become a leader in any walk of life.

The Bachelor of Arts in International Studies (BAIS) degree program introduces the disciplines that focus on how global forces influence political, social, cultural and economic change. It combines history, political science, philosophy, anthropology, sociology and psychology, helping students to develop a broad perspective on the world and to think critically about global issues.

At AUS, international studies students are a part of a vibrant academic community that encourages interaction between students and faculty and boasts a wide range of extracurricular activities. Student organizations include the AUS Model Congress and the Model United Nations conference, which attracts hundreds of participants from around the region.

Join our exciting program and become one of the leaders of tomorrow!
The BAIS degree is offered through the university’s College of Arts and Sciences (CAS), widely respected as being one of the region’s leading providers of liberal arts education. Studying at CAS gives students a well-rounded university education, with the opportunity to select from a large range of elective courses covering a breadth of subjects.

For students who want something out of the ordinary, something that takes them unexpected places and makes them look at the world in a new light, international studies is the right choice.

We encourage students to be leaders in international organizations by helping them develop a critical awareness of the global changes around them. Many of our graduates enjoy prestigious jobs in renowned international organizations, while many others pursue graduate education at some of the best universities around the world.

International Exchange

For international studies students, AUS offers incredible opportunities for cultural exchange. You can be part of the world’s most international student community (Times Higher Education 2019), with approximately 90 nationalities represented on our campus. Through our exchange program, you can choose to study abroad at universities worldwide, or even complete internships abroad.
Where can an international studies degree take me?

With its emphasis on critical thinking and creative problem solving, a BAIS can lead to many diverse and rewarding career paths, such as:

- business
- education
- foreign service/diplomacy
- government
- international development
- journalism
- law
- political analysis
- research

Graduates of the BAIS program are working for a variety of organizations, government entities and businesses, such as:

- Ajman Municipality and Planning Department
- Bin Haider Advocates & Legal Consultants
- Deloitte & Touche
- Etihad Airways
- Sharjah Commerce and Tourism Development Authority
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- UNHCR (The UN Refugee Agency)
- Abu Dhabi Islamic Bank
- Majid Al Futtaim Group
- The Emirates Center For Strategic Studies & Research

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