

## Student Opportunities

### Study Abroad Programs Outside USA

American University of Sharjah (AUS) offers many study abroad program options outside the US. We encourage students to check out some of the many international options available via our bilateral partners (Maastricht University, Simon Fraser University, University of Victoria in Canada), and via ISEP Exchange/Direct programs ([www.isep.org](http://www.isep.org)) in France, Korea, Finland, Australia, Japan and other countries.

We have sent many students to these universities in the past and have heard wonderful stories about their experience.

To learn more, visit our IXO Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/IXOatAUS>, or stop by our office in the Main Building (MG43) to talk to our Peer Advisors.

### Study Abroad in Spring or Fall 2018

Applications are now open for AUS students who want to study abroad in Spring 2018 or Fall 2018 semester or for the full academic year of 2017-18.

The deadline for Spring 2018 applications is May 6, 2017. The deadline for Fall 2018 applications is December 2, 2017.

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

## IXO Calendar

### March 5 and 6

Study Abroad Fair

### March 7

Study Abroad Workshop  
at AUS Library

### March 12

Pre-departure orientation for  
outgoing Fall 2017 students

### May 6

Application deadline to study abroad in  
Spring 2018

## Summer Intensive Arabic Language Program 2017

The Department of Arabic and Translation Studies at AUS has opened registration for its Summer 2017 Intensive Arabic Language Program.

The program provides participants the opportunity to earn 6 credit hours while studying in a campus environment with students from around the world.

Participants must meet the requirements for admission to AUS, and can apply via our online application at [https://www.aus.edu/info/200176/international\\_study\\_and\\_exchange/553/study\\_abroad\\_at\\_aus](https://www.aus.edu/info/200176/international_study_and_exchange/553/study_abroad_at_aus)

The deadline to apply for this is March 4, 2017.

## Outbound Summer Study Abroad Process

IXO does not collect applications for outbound summer study abroad. All outbound summer study abroad applications are processed directly through the Office of the Registrar (MG10B). Check the AUS website or email the Office of the Registrar at [registration@aus.edu](mailto:registration@aus.edu).

However, anyone interested in studying abroad during summer is welcome to stop by IXO and check out our 2017 Summer Course Booklet to view some of the opportunities and programs that are available. Also, you can download the Study Abroad Course Approval Form from our website, [https://www.aus.edu/downloads/file/1442/permission to take summer courses outside aus](https://www.aus.edu/downloads/file/1442/permission%20to%20take%20summer%20courses%20outside%20aus).

## IXO News

### Introducing the IXO Team for Spring 2017!

IXO would like to welcome recently returned AUS students who studied abroad in Fall 2016, and now will be serving on the IXO team as new Peer Advisors. Welcome to the team, Rashad, Divya, Abubaker, Deema, Bassam, Ahmed and Laith!



Dr. Linda Angell



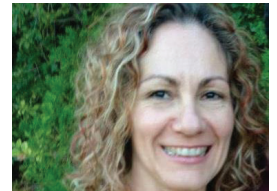
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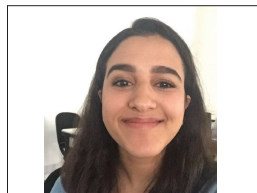
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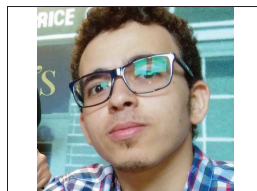
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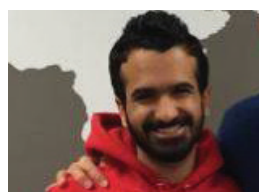
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Laith Abdul Jaber



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## IXO Events

### Friends of IXO Mixer

IXO ended its Spring 2017 incoming orientation program by hosting a Friends of IXO Mixer event at the Main Building. This event provided a great opportunity for incoming study abroad students to get to know AUS students and staff, and enabled interesting conversations about the life and culture of the UAE.



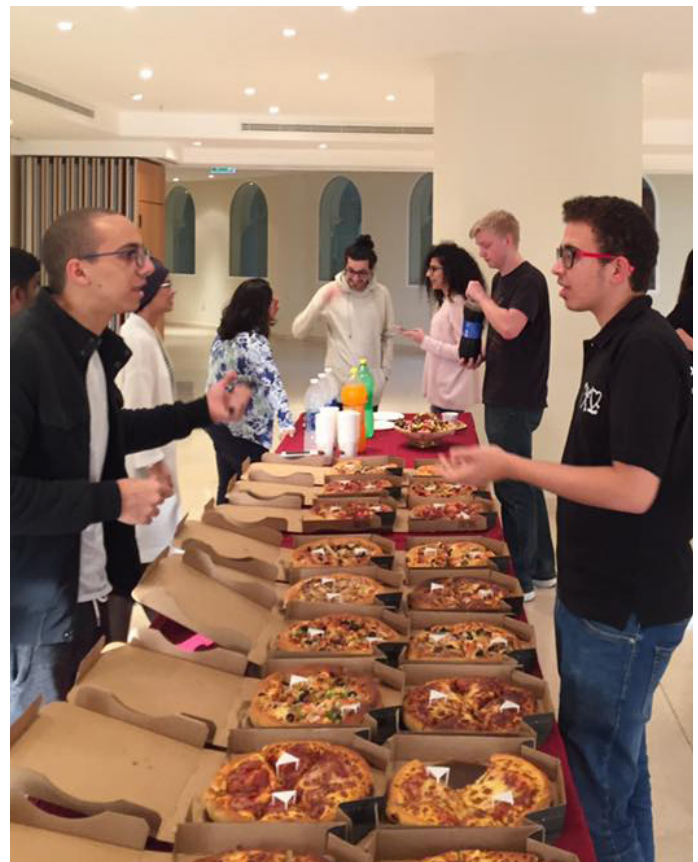
Emirati Cultural Club offers traditional hospitality



Emirati Cultural Club and IXO team at the mixer

The mixer was attended by a variety of students and faculty interested in meeting and welcoming our Spring 2017 exchange students.

IXO especially would like to thank the Emirati Cultural Club for attending and providing karak tea and logaimat (traditional Arabic sweets), and Maha Al Shehhi, AUS alumna, for providing traditional Emirati tea.



IXO Peer Advisors, outgoing and incoming study abroad students, and other Friends of IXO

## Exchange Students Experience Camel Racing

Early on the morning of Friday, January 27, exchange students attended the annual Al Marmoum Camel Racing Festival on the outskirts of Dubai. Camel racing, a major traditional sport in the UAE, helps preserve the heritage and culture of this region.

Students got to experience this aspect of Emirati culture and learn about camel racing along with other activities associated with this sport.



Exchange students at the Al Marmoum racetrack



Camel racing at the Al Marmoum racetrack, Dubai

## Visiting Delegations

### Monash University Visits AUS

Delegates from Monash University in Australia visited AUS on February 2. The delegation included Dr. Abid Khan, Vice President and Deputy Vice Chancellor of International Engagement; Dr. Sarah Newton, Deputy Dean, External Relations; and Dr. Nizar Farjou, Associate President-ENACA; who met with AUS representatives Dr. Linda C. Angell, Director of IXO, and Kevin Mitchell, Vice Provost for Undergraduate Affairs and Instruction, after a tour of our campus.



Monash University, Melbourne, Australia