

Undergraduate Prospectus

2026–2027



The future matters to you, and it also matters to us.

That is why AUS is dedicated to giving you a diverse and unique education that will allow you to pursue whatever future you are aspiring to. It will also give you the skills, knowledge and confidence you need to make a difference and help ensure a positive tomorrow for your community, and possibly other communities across the world.

Today, AUS graduates are stretching the limits of architecture, art and design. They are making groundbreaking discoveries in science, and impacting environmental and social change for future generations. They are showing us new ways to see and understand the world through media and the arts. They are engineering the future of technology and construction in ways beyond our imagination. They are entrepreneurs, initiating new and innovative business solutions for a changing world.

Because tomorrow matters, AUS empowers its students to chase the future they are seeking and positions them to effect change for the greater good. We look forward to you joining us in this tradition.

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Earning an
undergraduate
degree from AUS
is an experience
that will change
your life.

WELCOME

AUS is one of the most highly respected universities in the Middle East. For more than 25 years, we have inspired thousands of students to achieve academic excellence, engaging world-class faculty with outstanding credentials and setting in motion a tradition of excellence that has positioned AUS graduates among the most preferred candidates for employers in the region.

By choosing AUS for your education, you will become part of this tradition, sharing in the many advantages and experiences our campus and community offer.

Earning an undergraduate degree from AUS is an experience that will change your life. This experience can set you apart in a competitive work environment, help you carve out an exciting career path or allow you to pursue the highest academic attainments of your field.

If you are ready to step forward into a future with AUS, we can offer you a wide selection of undergraduate programs, fully accredited and widely recognized the world over. We look forward to welcoming you to our campus and being part of your future.



Top 18% of universities
worldwide (2026)
Top 10 in Arab World for the
past 11 years (2026)
Top 3 in the UAE (2026)



Top 5 universities globally with the
highest percentage of international
students (2024)
Top 150 universities in Asia (2025)



First university in the GCC
to be rated for sustainability
in the Association for the
Advancement of Sustainability in
Higher Education's Sustainability
Tracking, Assessment and
Rating System

The AUS Experience

Discover why AUS is the best choice for your future.

Prepare for an unparalleled student experience

Step onto our breathtaking campus and experience our vibrant and dynamic student life. Our campus is one of few in the region with a large community of students and faculty living on site. This means the on-campus cafes and plazas are always lively, and there are regular cultural and sports events.

We also offer a huge variety of student-led clubs and organizations in areas such as photography, science and music, along with community service programs, sports teams, fitness programs and much more. You will have opportunities to pursue leadership roles in our Student Council, Student Leadership Program, and our many clubs and organizations, as well as participate in a huge variety of community activities and cultural events.

This is your chance discover your hidden talents, take on new challenges and be part of a community that will shape your university experience.



Get a head start on graduate school

AUS offers its ambitious and high-achieving senior undergraduate students the opportunity to combine their undergraduate and graduate study through the Accelerated Master's Program (AMP). AUS undergraduate students accepted into the AMP are able to complete up to two master's courses (six credits) during their senior year. These courses contribute to both the student's bachelor's and master's degrees, reducing the time to degree completion and cost. To learn more, visit www.aus.edu/amp.



Be part of one of the world's most international student communities

AUS is a closely-knit community that embraces its diversity. We are among the top five universities with the highest percentage of international students, according to the Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings.

With our students coming from approximately 90 countries all around the world, AUS takes its commitment to diversity seriously, and our campus is known for its tolerance, openness and inclusion.



Experience world-class facilities

The AUS campus, widely regarded for its beauty, architecture and exceptional facilities, includes the region's only fully equipped Interactive Trading Floor (ITF), along with state-of-the-art science and engineering laboratories, fully equipped multimedia and design studios, and a theatre for performing arts.

Our library is one of the finest in the region, providing access to the online catalog system to search for library materials from any location on or off campus. You can also access e-books, online databases, full-text journals and other digital resources.

Our full-service campus offers several recreational facilities, such as a large multi-use sports complex, a 50-meter indoor pool, football fields, and tennis and basketball courts. We also have a comprehensive health center, a wide range of food outlets, residential halls for on-campus living and many other amenities.



Scan here to learn more about our on-campus facilities

Learn from the experts

AUS faculty hail from the world's best universities and are dedicated to help you reach your full academic potential. Through our outstanding full-time faculty you will receive unrivalled support throughout your university experience.

Our faculty are active researchers who are uniquely positioned to deliver a rigorous university education in the GCC, as they combine a breadth of international knowledge with deep, regional understanding. Inspired by our exceptional faculty, many of our graduates have pursued further studies at some of the world's top universities.



Students and faculty members from approximately

100

countries and unlimited opportunities for international exchange

Prepare for a competitive job market

AUS has far-reaching associations with the region's business and industry leaders. While we are committed to academic excellence, we also take very seriously the need to create graduates who will excel and progress in the workplace.

At AUS, you will have exciting opportunities to be part of industry-based research, professional internships and projects in partnership with industry professionals. These opportunities are at the heart of many of our undergraduate programs, making our more than 18,000 alumni among the most employable in region. We also offer you a range of workshops and events that help connect you with potential employers and prepare you for job interviews.

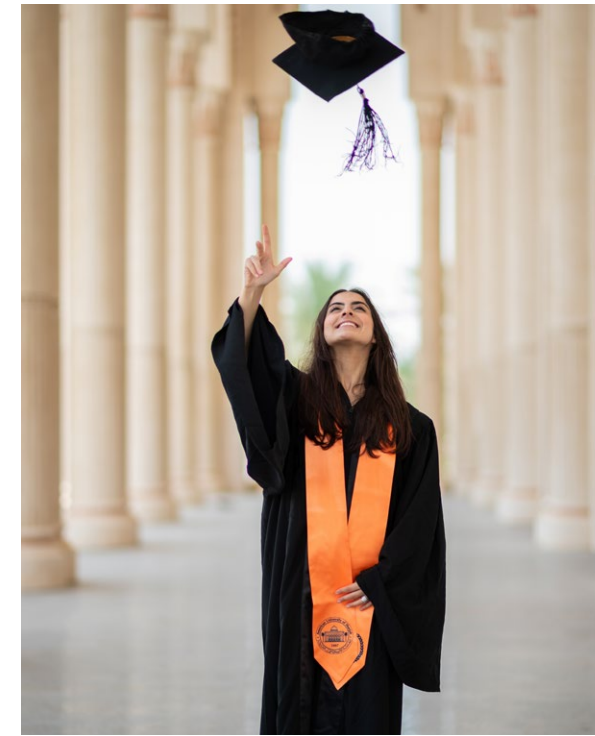
Top employers of our graduates include:*

Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC)	Emirates Group
American University of Sharjah	Ernst & Young (EY)
Baker Hughes	KPMG
Consolidated Contractors International Company (CCC)	L'Oreal ME
Deloitte	Majid Al Futtaim
Dubai Electricity & Water Authority (DEWA)	MBC Group
Dubai Police	Petrofac International Ltd.
e&	PWC
	RTA Dubai
	Schlumberger
	Standard Chartered Bank
	TAQA Distribution
	Unilever

* listed alphabetically

Benefit from our comprehensive support services

AUS supports student success through a range of services focused on both academic and career development. The Academic Support Center (ASC) provides tailored academic support to help students succeed in their educational journey, offering services such as academic advising, workshops, peer mentoring, study assessments and first-year transitional support for those facing academic challenges. In addition, the Office of Advancement and Alumni Affairs (OAAA) fosters connections between students and alumni, organizes career-related events, and helps students build professional networks, all of which contribute to their overall success and career readiness.



Have peace of mind with an accredited degree

Your AUS degree will be internationally recognized, allowing you to pursue further studies in any academic institution in the world.

AUS is licensed and its degree programs are accredited by the Commission for Academic Accreditation of the UAE Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research. CAA accreditation involves rigorous and periodic self-study and evaluation by an external team.

AUS has been accredited in the United States of America by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education (1007 North Orange Street, 4th Floor, MB #166, Wilmington, DE 19801 USA) since June 2004.



A safe place to live and learn

Living in the residential halls is a great way to become a part of our vibrant campus community. Our residential halls offer an engaging multicultural atmosphere with a balanced mix of social and academic activities. Here, you will find a place to live, make friends, exercise and study in comfort, with the academic buildings, the library and the Student Center just a short walk away. Through our living-learning communities, you can connect with other resident students around a common theme or academic interest, enhancing your life on campus.

Our Resident Assistants serve as student staff members in the halls to help support resident students' personal and academic growth. Further support is provided by full-time friendly and professional Residential Hall Coordinators and Housing Controllers to foster a vibrant community in each hall and ensure students' comfort and safety, with curfew and 24/7 security.

We have separate campus residential halls for men and women, with accommodation options that include private, semi-private and shared rooms.

For more information about living on campus, please visit
www.aus.edu/residential-halls.



Confident
Capable
Well-educated
Inspired
Proud
Engaged
Challenged



Forget limitations

A university education is a significant investment for students and their families. AUS offers the opportunity for a university education to those who have the necessary talent and commitment, but perhaps not the finances.

To find out if you are eligible, and how to apply, visit www.aus.edu/scholarship.

Sharjah—the ideal place to pursue undergraduate study

There are many reasons why Sharjah has become a leading destination for university study, at both an undergraduate and graduate level. The third largest city in the United Arab Emirates (UAE), and part of the Dubai-Sharjah-Ajman metropolitan area, Sharjah is a dynamic, international and exciting place for students of all ages and backgrounds.

Sharjah is widely regarded as the cultural capital of the UAE, hosting a number of world-class museums and exhibitions. It is also known for its natural beauty, located on the sparkling Arabian Gulf and Gulf of Oman, and in easy driving distance to the sand dunes of the Arabian desert.

AUS is located just minutes from the heart of Dubai and the Dubai International Airport, providing students with easy access to the world-famous attractions of the neighboring emirate.

Sharjah has an active student community, providing a culturally diverse environment from students from all around the globe to meet, explore, develop and innovate. With a mix of languages, cuisines and cultural pursuits, Sharjah is rapidly establishing itself as a world-class student city.

SHARJAH

Ranked in the Top 60 Best Student Cities (QS, 2024)

Located in the World's Second Safest Country (Global Finance, 2024)

World Book Capital (2019)



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College of Architecture, Art and Design

www.aus.edu/caad



There is no better time to study architecture and design than today, as the world looks for new alternatives to shape our environment, technology, cities and culture through thoughtful and imaginative design. The region is full of talent and it needs accomplished designers to shape the future.

The College of Architecture, Art and Design (CAAD) brings together the most creative and forward thinkers in the region. At CAAD, you will be inspired to join the next generation of designers and architects and make your mark on an exciting and ever-changing creative landscape, while achieving a solid academic foundation.

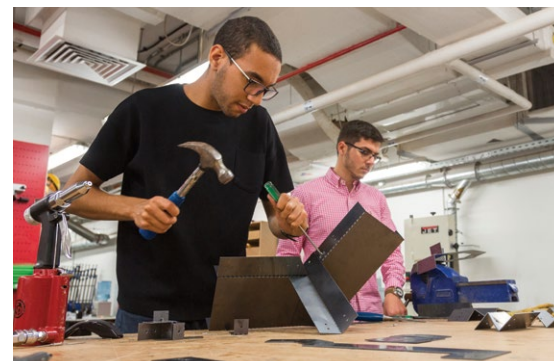
The generous support from faculty and the solid design foundation we were equipped with at AUS prepared us to be global designers who are ready to work for the world's leading design practices. The confidence and determination I developed while studying at AUS helped me to get closer to my aspirations and led me to run my own architectural practice. Although I graduated a number of years ago, I know this will not be the last of my association with this outstanding school.

Naji Mahmoud
Bachelor of Architecture

Accreditation

All CAAD degree programs are accredited by the Commission for Academic Accreditation of the UAE Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research.

The Bachelor of Architecture program is accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) of the United States. This is the first program outside of North America to receive this prestigious accreditation. NAAB is the only organization authorized to accredit professional degree programs in architecture in the United States.



Degree Programs

- Bachelor of Architecture
- Bachelor of Interior Design
- Bachelor of Science in Design Management
- Bachelor of Science in Film and New Media Design
- Bachelor of Science in Graphic Design

Minors in CAAD

w.aus.edu/caad-minors



Why choose CAAD?

- CAAD offers you an environment in which to discover and grow as a designer, while establishing you with a world-class liberal arts foundation.
- Our talented and accomplished faculty will take you through an intensely practical and collaborative process of learning as you create new content and develop your design skills through a variety of mediums and techniques.
- An undergraduate degree from CAAD will establish you at the cutting edge of architecture and design and provide you with exciting career opportunities in variety of fields.



Material Fabrication Labs

- Materials Library
- Finishing Lab
- Ceramics Lab
- Metal Shop
- Wood Shop

Digital Fabrication Labs

- CNC Routers
- Laser Cutters
- 3D Printers
- CNC Foam Cutter
- Industrial Robotic Arms

Multimedia Labs

- Media Production Lab
- Post-Production Lab
- Photo Studio
- Dark Room
- Printmaking Lab
- Physical Computing Lab
- Design Center



A hub for creativity and design innovation, our college stands among the best globally in architecture and design education. Learn more at www.aus.edu/rankings.



Scan here to learn more and download our brochure.

The College of Architecture, Art and Design is the heart of the UAE's design community.

College of Arts and Sciences

www.aus.edu/cas



The College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) leads the way for liberal arts education in the region. Promoting excellence in diversity through world-class programs in the arts, humanities, and the social and natural sciences, we provide an interdisciplinary, multidimensional approach to knowledge and learning.

At CAS, you will receive a robust, well-rounded learning experience as well as the skills to excel in your career path and establish yourself as a productive member of local and global society.

Accreditation

All CAS degree programs are accredited by the Commission for Academic Accreditation of the UAE Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research.



I chose to study at AUS because it stood out above the rest. I liked the hands-on approach of the media communication program. I learned to apply my knowledge through experiences like giving presentations, working in teams and active involvement in programs. Graduating with a degree in mass communication made me better prepared to get into the workforce. The classes and connections I have made through AUS have strengthened my passion for advertising. Being surrounded by intelligent individuals in discussion-based classes has shown me how powerful young minds can be, and I feel inspired by my peers every day.

Zain Al Masri
BAMC Graduate



Degree Programs

- Bachelor of Arts in English Language and Literature
- Bachelor of Arts in International Studies
- Bachelor of Arts in Media Communication
- Bachelor of Arts in Psychology
- Bachelor of Science in Biology
- Bachelor of Science in Chemistry and Biochemistry
- Bachelor of Science in Data Science
- Bachelor of Science in Environmental Sciences and Sustainability
- Bachelor of Science in Mathematics
- Bachelor of Science in Physics

Minors in CAS
www.aus.edu/cas-minors



Why choose CAS?

- We aim to inspire the intellectual and creative potential of our students by offering the most contemporary liberal arts curriculum in the region.
- CAS faculty are accomplished experts in the disciplines of natural sciences, mathematical sciences, the humanities and social sciences. They are actively engaged in a wide range of research, advancing their fields with exciting and cutting-edge knowledge that is both relevant and recognized on a local and global scale.
- Our interdisciplinary programs provide the opportunity to explore a wide range of subject areas that are relevant for today's workplace and society.
- CAS graduates consistently find employment in some of the biggest corporate names in the region, and in governmental and non-governmental international agencies, while others have pursued further education at some of the most prestigious academic institutions in North America and Europe.

Home to top-tier research and innovative programs, our college is recognized by leading ranking bodies for its academic excellence. Discover more at www.aus.edu/rankings.

Facilities

- Interpreting and Translation Laboratory
- Arabic Resource Center
- Biology, Chemistry and Environmental Science Laboratories
- Media Communication Studio and Creative Laboratories
- Macintosh Labs
- Theater and Stage Areas
- Introductory and Advanced Physics Laboratories
- AUS Writing Center
- Writing Fellows Program



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College of Engineering

www.aus.edu/cen



Graduates of the College of Engineering (CEN) are among the top engineering and computing talent in the region.

Our high-quality undergraduate degree programs are targeted to regional market needs. Our class sizes are small, and we maintain an appropriate student to faculty ratio that facilitates teaching and learning. The quality of our programs and facilities allows us to attract world-class faculty who remain at the forefront of knowledge.

At CEN, you will experience hands-on learning through our well-equipped and extensive laboratory facilities, and receive foundational instruction in the most-up-to-date innovations to make you workforce ready.

Accreditation

All CEN degree programs are accredited by the Commission for Academic Accreditation (CAA) of the UAE Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research. CAA has extended accreditation clustering privileges to the college.

The bachelor of science degree programs in chemical engineering, civil engineering, computer engineering, electrical engineering, industrial engineering and mechanical engineering offered by the College of Engineering are accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET <http://www.abet.org/>. The bachelor of science degree program in computer science offered by the College of Engineering is accredited by the Computing Accreditation Commission of ABET <http://www.abet.org/>. AUS was the first university in the Gulf region and the second outside the US to receive this accreditation.



Studying chemical engineering at AUS has been a thoroughly challenging and rewarding experience. Gaining a solid foundation in the study of chemical processes from the molecular scale to the chemical plant level is a hallmark of the undergraduate program. At AUS, I learned how to develop a strong personal work ethic, and simultaneously work in diverse student teams. I like the fact that the curriculum is strongly grounded in chemistry and math, but also that it provides me an outlet to pursue further interests in fields including biomedical engineering, catalysis and material science.

Adnan Kapadia
College of Engineering



Degree Programs

- Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Chemical and Biological Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
- Bachelor of Science in Digital Construction Engineering and Management
- Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Intelligent Systems and Mechatronics Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering

Minors in CEN

www.aus.edu/cen-minors



Facilities

With close to 50 laboratories equipped with some of the most up-to-date equipment and technology, the College of Engineering offers students unparalleled opportunities for research, innovation and hands-on learning. For a full list of each engineering department's laboratories, visit www.aus.edu/cen.

Why choose CEN?

- CEN will prepare you for a dynamic career in engineering, giving you both the technical and professional skills required to excel in your field.
- Our project-based learning approach offers pathways to innovation, research and development for our students.
- Our curriculum provides an up-to-date, global and regional outlook on advancements across a broad spectrum of engineering disciplines.
- CEN's strong ties with industry enable excellent internship and career placement opportunities for CEN students.
- Our globally renowned faculty maintain many productive international partnerships in cutting-edge engineering education and research.
- With women making up 37 percent of our engineering students, CEN represents the diversity of the UAE and pushes the limits of gender equality in the industry as a whole.

A leader in engineering education, our college is consistently recognized for high-quality programs and research impact. Visit www.aus.edu/rankings to explore our rankings.



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School of Business Administration

www.aus.edu/sba

The AUS School of Business Administration (SBA) is one of the most respected business schools in the region. As we prepare tomorrow's global business leaders, our highly qualified faculty work to promote our core values of excellence, leadership, inclusiveness, teamwork and ethics.

SBA will give you both the local and global perspective required to establish yourself in the business world. Our programs focus on critical thinking, effective communication and competence in a variety of disciplines. This will give you a working understanding evolving business, economic and governmental trends.

Our partnerships and interaction with major businesses and leaders in the region will provide you with the opportunity to establish your own professional network and provide you with practical industry experience throughout your academic career.

Accreditation

All SBA degree programs are accredited by the Commission for Academic Accreditation of the UAE Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research.

SBA is accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB), www.aacsb.edu, a prestigious distinction held by fewer than 5 percent of the world's business schools.



SBA provides many opportunities for both academic and personal growth. It is important that the skills we learn in different business courses can be later on applied to professional life, and not just in academia. With the help of various student organizations within SBA, we, as students, can take part in extracurricular activities, conferences and seminars, as well as find support and advice when needed. Moreover, the internship and placement office provides excellent internship and career opportunities that can help students navigate the job market and become successful members of the business community.

Anna Terekhova
School of Business Administration



Degree Programs

- Bachelor of Arts in Economics
- Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

With a major in one of the following:

Accounting
Economics
Finance
Information Systems and Business Analytics
Management
Marketing
Supply Chain Management

Minors in SBA

www.aus.edu/sba-minors



Why choose SBA?

- SBA is the first business school in the region to be recognized as a Bloomberg Experiential Learning Partner (ELP).
- SBA graduates are highly employable with many working for some of the biggest multinational corporate names in the world.
- Our highly qualified faculty members provide you with access to the most cutting-edge business research and curriculum.
- Our curriculum is in sync with the constantly evolving trends and modes of the marketplace, and provides you with the best and most up-to-date methods of instruction.
- We provide access to some of the top business leaders in the region through lectures and seminars specifically targeted at SBA students.

Recognized for excellence, our business programs are consistently ranked among the best in the region and globally. Find out more at www.aus.edu/rankings.



Facilities

- Interactive Trading Floor, providing students with real-time access to global financial information through 23 terminals
- 18 smart classrooms, seating 42 students each
- State-of-the-art computer labs
- Study carrels for break-out meetings



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Still deciding your major?

See what you can do with a
degree in your areas of interest.



**Find out more about our
programs and courses.**



Applying to AUS

Start

Scan the QR code to learn more about all application dates and deadlines.



Choose your application type

1. New Applicant
(first-time university applicant)
2. Transfer
3. Returning

Prepare scans of your documents



Color scan of:

- your passport
- your transcripts and high school grades
- your scores from:
 - TOEFL or IELTS (Academic)
 - SAT (Math) or ACT (Math) score (as applicable)

University transcripts and syllabi
(for transfer students)

www.aus.edu/required-documents

Apply before the admissions deadline:

www.aus.edu/deadlines

Upload the required documents to:

www.aus.edu/apply

Find your application status:

- By logging in to www.aus.edu/apply and by email
- Complete your application file by submitting the required documents listed in your Admission Letter

Take the placement tests required for your major

www.aus.edu/aus-placement-tests

Present your original official attested documents during File Completion session:

Including high school grades, graduation certificate, Certificate of Equivalency and others required

www.aus.edu/attestations

www.aus.edu/ug-uae-ce

Attend orientation week
Check the website for dates

Welcome sessions for new students and parents
File completion
Course registration

You're ready to experience your new life as an

AUS student!

Finish



Ready to apply?
www.aus.edu/apply

For more information, contact the Office of Enrollment Management - Undergraduate Admissions: infodesk.aus.edu | +971 6 515 1000.



Admissions: What You Need to Know

For more information about undergraduate admissions,
contact the Office of Enrollment Management
at +971 6 515 1000 or infodesk.aus.edu.

Types of Admission

Regular

Applicants in their final year of secondary school are encouraged to apply for early admission by submitting official grade reports from their last two years of study (Grades 10 and 11).

Early applicants must complete the online application and provide:

- official grades from at least two previous years of secondary school study
Note: Applicants do not need to wait until their final grade 12 results are released to apply. Early conditional admission can be offered based on their grade 10 and 11 reports.
- SAT Math or ACT Math score (as applicable)
- your score from TOEFL or IELTS Academic (if available at the time of applying)

Important:

- Admission is highly competitive.
- Applicants with the highest grades who have the required English proficiency testing scores (and SAT Mathematics or ACT Math score as applicable) will be given priority consideration.
- Early admission is only offered to highly qualified applicants and not considered final until applicants submit the following documents before they may register for classes:
 - A recognized and officially certified secondary school certificate or equivalent showing successful completion of secondary education.
 - All other items requested in the letter of admission

Your admission to AUS will be on a competitive basis, depending on a variety of factors, including:

- your secondary education certificate or school average
- SAT Math or ACT Math score (as applicable and required for all American curriculum students)
- the number of qualified applicants
- the number of available seats
- your Internet-Based TOEFL (iBT) or AUS Institutional Paper-based TOEFL (ITP) or IELTS (Academic Version) score

Applicants who score below the minimum required English language proficiency score but who otherwise meet AUS admission standards may be admitted to the Achievement Academy Bridge Program at AUS. For more information, please visit www.aus.edu/aa.

Transfer

Applicants applying after being enrolled in another university.

Transfer applicants are required to submit the following documents:

- university transcripts or course registration proof: Provide an up-to-date copy of your university transcripts. If this is your first semester at university/college and transcripts are unavailable, screenshots of your registered courses will suffice.
- course descriptions: Include syllabi or an official link to the course descriptions for all completed courses.
- secondary school certificate: Submit a recognized and officially certified secondary school certificate or its equivalent, along with grades from the last three years of secondary schooling that reflect your grade average.
- TOEFL or IELTS Academic score: If available at the time of application, include your TOEFL or IELTS Academic test score.



Application Type



New

If you are applying to AUS as a fresh high school graduate, you must:

- meet the minimum admission requirements depending on the applicant's type of secondary education program and certificate.



Scan here for the full list of requirements for new applicants.



Transfer

To transfer to AUS, you must:

- be in good academic standing from an accredited university.
- have successfully completed at least one semester at your current institution.
- have met the AUS admission criteria and English language proficiency requirements.
- submit official transcripts and course syllabi.
- have achieved the minimum cumulative grade point average (CGPA) required by AUS.



Scan here for more information.



Returning

Students who leave AUS for two or more consecutive semesters, inclusive of a semester of complete course withdrawal, and wish to resume studies must complete the online Returning Applicant application. Readmission of returning students is subject to AUS academic rules and regulations on readmitting students. All admission requirements in place at the time of applying for readmission must be met.

Application
Type:
New
Transfer
Returning



Admission Requirements

As a university with one of the world's most international student communities (*Times Higher Education*), we understand that every applicant is different.

Depending on where you completed your secondary school studies, you'll need to meet specific admission requirements.

The minimum required average to apply for admission consideration is the equivalent of 85 percent or above in the final year of secondary school (depending on the education system), or 85 percent or more in the best two out of the last three years. This average is used as a guideline, and the actual required average to grant admission could be 90 percent and above for all education systems.. However, admission to AUS is competitive, and the minimum average required can vary based on several factors. These include your secondary education scores; the college/major of interest; SAT (Math) or ACT (Math) score (as applicable); the number of qualified applicants; the availability of seats; and your English proficiency test scores. Additionally, due to the high volume of applicants AUS receives, candidates are encouraged to apply early, and before the published deadlines, to ensure they are considered for admission and/or to their preferred college or major.

Completion of mathematics and physics subjects at a certain level of performance is required for engineering and science-related majors.

Applicants are required to submit one recommendation letter, either from their school counselor or their teacher.

Program Admission Requirements

Certain types of secondary school certificates are accepted only for specific degree programs at AUS.

- Literary Certificates: Holders may be admitted to the College of Arts and Sciences (except for the bachelor of science degree programs in biology, chemistry, environmental sciences, mathematics and physics); the College of Architecture, Art and Design (except for the Bachelor of Architecture and the Bachelor of Interior Design degree programs); and any undergraduate degree program offered by the School of Business Administration.
- Scientific Certificates: Holders may be admitted to any undergraduate degree program in any of the colleges/schools.
- Technical and Vocational Secondary School Certificates: Highly motivated and academically qualified students may be admitted to an undergraduate degree program that corresponds to the nature of the technical or vocational secondary school program. For example, the holder of a technical secondary certificate in electricity may apply to the Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering degree program.

Sample Secondary Certificates	Minimum Requirements*
General Secondary School Certificate (Thanawiyah Ammah)	Minimum Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) equivalent to 85% (90% for General Track applicants from UAE schools).
American-Style High School Diploma	Minimum Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) equivalent to 85% (90% for General Track applicants from UAE schools). SAT Math or ACT Math score is also required.
International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma	Obtain the full IB diploma with six subjects (excluding Islamic education) with at least three at the higher level, and attain a minimum score of 24 points. Applicants with only the IB certificate can apply and will be assessed based on their credentials.
Indian Board(s)	Complete 12th Standard and typically obtain a minimum of 65% or more in the Senior Secondary School Certificate (12th Standard), or 65% or more in the best two years.

British System IGCSE, GCSE, GCE	At least five IGCSE/GCSE (O-Level) subjects, and either three AS-Level subjects or two A-level subjects, and obtain 5/B for the IGCSE/GCSE and B for the AS and A-level subjects. (Arabic Language and Islamic Education are not counted.) The final GPA calculation will take into account both the grade variations and the number of subjects completed in each category to achieve the required result. Applicants must complete Year 13 of schooling (equivalent to American Grade 12) and submit a sequencing certificate (certificate of school registration history) that confirms Year 13 as the last year of schooling.
French Baccalaureate or equivalent	Obtain the baccalaureate with a score of 13 out of 20.
Canadian High School Diploma	Obtain a minimum required average equivalent to 85 percent or more in the final year or in the best two years.
Russian or Equivalent National Education Systems	Obtain a minimum required average of 4.0 in the final year or in the best two years
BETC	BETC Level 3 Diploma and BETC Subsidiary Diplomas

Note: Students who graduated from school and joined the workforce or took a minimum of a one-year gap should submit a Post High School Declaration Form.

*Other requirements might apply. The Office of Enrollment Management has the right to request any supporting documents.

For the complete list of requirements based on your secondary school background, visit www.aus.edu/ug-acr.

All admitted applicants are required to sit for the AUS Admission/Placement tests in English, mathematics and physics as required by their intended major.

Applicants who have completed A-level, AP, IB-higher level, French Baccalaureate or equivalents and achieved minimum listed grades will be considered for exemption from the relevant AUS Admission/Placement test(s).

For more information on tests, visit www.aus.edu/testing-center/academic-exams.

English Proficiency Minimum Requirement		
Applicants must meet the minimum required score on one of the tests below.		
TOEFL (iTP)*	TOEFL (iBT)	IELTS Academic Version
550	80	6.5

*Taken at the AUS Testing Center and Amideast offices only.

Share your results with AUS
SAT code 5543 | iBT TOEFL code 0526 | AP code 5543

For details
scan here.



Are you eligible for advanced standing?

If you have achieved a minimum grade equivalent to B (3.0) in the IB Higher Level, GCE A-Level, the Lebanese Baccalaureate, the French Baccalaureate, Spanish Baccalaureate, the German Abitur or the American Advanced Placement Tests, you may be awarded course credits for some courses. For more information, see our Advanced Standing Credit Transfer Policy on www.aus.edu/registrar. To submit your AP results directly to AUS, use the AP Designated Institution (DI) code 5543.

For more information contact us: transfercredits@aus.edu

Preparing Your Documents

To complete your application for admission, you will need to provide specific documents. Use the checklist below to make sure you provide us with everything we need to process your application.

Completed AUS application for admission (online w.aus.edu/apply)



Official secondary school certificate certified by the appropriate authorities*

High School Equivalency certificate as required by the UAE Ministry of Education

Official grade reports of the last three secondary school classes certified by the appropriate authorities*

SAT Math or ACT Math score (as applicable and required for all American curriculum students)

One recommendation letter: from your school counselor or teacher

Official letter of good conduct from your school

A colored scan of your passport

A colored scan of your UAE National ID (for UAE citizens and residents)

The required Internet-Based TOEFL (iBT) or AUS Institutional Paper-based TOEFL (ITP) or IELTS (Academic Version) (if available at the time of applying)

A non-refundable application fee of 420 UAE Dirhams

Submit an official letter confirming completion or exemption of the National Service (for male UAE nationals)

A non-refundable transcript evaluation fee of 400 AED for transfer applicants (deductible from tuition upon joining AUS)

*From country of origin: certification by the authorized educational authority, the country's ministry of foreign affairs and the UAE Embassy. From UAE: certification by the **The UAE Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research**.

Admission to AUS: The Next Steps

1. **Confirm your admission:** You can check the status of your application by logging in to apply.aus.edu. Admission Letters are sent by email as well.

2. **Pay your deposit to secure your place:** To guarantee a seat reservation, you will be required to pay a 5,000 UAE Dirhams deposit, along with a 500 UAE Dirhams residential hall room deposit if you choose to live on campus. Both deposits are non-refundable and non-transferable under any circumstances and must be paid before the deadline indicated in your Admission Letter.

3. **Take the first-year admission/placement tests:** All first-year students are required to take admission/placement tests, based on their selected major as shown below:

Major	Required Admission/Placement Tests				
	Engineering Math	Business Math	Architecture Math	Physics	English*
Architecture/Interior Design	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Biology/Chemistry/Environmental Sciences/Physics	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Business Administration (all majors)	No	Yes	No	No	Yes
Computer Science	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Design Management	No	Yes	No	No	Yes
Data Science	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Engineering majors	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
English Language and Literature	No	No	No	No	Yes
International Studies	No	No	No	No	Yes
Media Communication	No	No	No	No	Yes
Psychology	No	No	No	No	Yes
Mathematics	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Graphic Design/Film and New Media Design	No	No	No	No	Yes
Undeclared Major	**	**	**	**	Yes

*Applicants missing the required English Language Proficiency score (TOEFL or IELTS) cannot book for English placement tests until the required score reports are submitted. However, applicants can book for the math and physics placement tests as required by their majors.
**Applicants with Undeclared majors should complete the placement tests required for their intended majors.

Placement Test Exemptions

If you have taken the TOEFL (ITP or iBT) or IELTS and achieved the score shown in table below, you will be exempted from taking the English placement test.

Test Name	Minimum Score	Exempted From
TOEFL (ITP)	610	English Admission/Placement Test
TOEFL (iBT)	102	
IELTS	7.5	

4. **Complete the requirements to enroll successfully at AUS:** Visit www.aus.edu/admissions/new-student-guide for a list of requirements to complete.

5. **Join a file completion session:** To be able to register for courses, you must book a file completion session when you receive the invitation email. For more information, visit www.aus.edu/admissions/file-completion.

6. **Begin class registration:** You will receive instructions on how to register for classes. For the full list of courses available, see the *AUS Undergraduate Catalog* at www.aus.edu/aus-catalogs.

Financial Grants and Scholarships

At AUS, we offer a wide range of grants and scholarships for qualified undergraduate students. Some are based on merit, and others are based on financial need. Athletic scholarships are also available. If you have received your official Admission Letter, you may apply online for a grant or scholarship. Admitted students are encouraged to apply for these opportunities regardless of their race, color, gender, disabilities, religion or national origin.

Scholarships for New Students

■ President's Scholarship

100% of tuition and lab fees, application fee waiver, monthly stipend, on-campus housing, round-trip tickets, student medical insurance

Open to applicants who have completed their secondary education outside the UAE who are first-time, first-year students starting in the fall semester. Renewable based on maintaining the scholarship's requirements.

Application Deadline: Second Thursday of March of each year

■ Chancellor's Scholarship

100% of tuition and lab fees, application fee waiver, on-campus housing, student medical insurance

Open to applicants who have completed their secondary education in the UAE who are first-time, first-year students starting in the fall semester. Renewable based on maintaining the scholarship's requirements.

Application Deadline: Second Thursday of March of each year.

■ **Merit Scholarships** (subject to available budget)
10 to 20% of tuition and lab/technology fees

AUS offers a range of Merit Scholarships to academically qualified applicants with a high school average equivalent to 90 percent or above. Merit Scholarships are automatically offered at the time of processing the admission application. A separate application is not required.

■ Sharakah School Scholarship

45% of tuition, lab/technology fees and on-campus housing fees

Partner Sharakah Program Schools can select/nominate one exceptional student (an AUS applicant) from their school for the Sharakah School Scholarship. Applicants must be evaluated by an established school committee. Offered in fall semesters only.

Grants

■ Financial Grant

5 to 50% of tuition and housing fees

For first-time, transfer and returning full-time undergraduate students with demonstrated limited financial resources. Amount awarded depends on personal financial needs and academic qualifications.

■ Family Tuition Grant

25% of tuition and lab/technology fees

For families with more than one son/daughter enrolled as full-time students at AUS at the same time. Awarded to each sibling after the first.

AUS also offers a number of scholarships for continuing students.

For more information about scholarships and financial grants at AUS, contact:

www.aus.edu/scholarship

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Want to know more?

www.aus.edu/prospective-students



Tuition and Fees

AUS students can work on campus in jobs that help them develop key workplace skills. Find out more: www.aus.edu/campus-student-employment

Tuition Fees for Academic Year 2025–2026*	
(All fees are in UAE Dirhams)	
Tuition for all majors (12 to 16 credits)	53,823 per semester (AED 107,646 per year)**
Achievement Academy Bridge Program	34,963 per semester
Student Activities Fee	410+5% VAT per semester
Lab/Technology Fee Type A	1,507 per course as applicable
Lab/Technology Fee Type B	1,650 per course as applicable
Health Insurance (required of all students): 300 or 600 per semester + 5% VAT (depending on plan)	

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**In addition, lab/technology fees may apply based on the courses registered for in a given semester.

In order to make full use of the learning environment, in-class collaboration and work in groups on multidisciplinary projects, all entering undergraduate students must own a laptop or an Internet-capable device, meeting minimum specifications recommended by the university. These specifications are available on the IT FAQ site here: <https://itfaq.aus.edu/faq/584>.

Payments

To secure your place at AUS, you will need to make all relevant fee payments online before the deadline.

For finance-related inquiries, including instructions on how to pay, please contact Student Accounts at +971 6 515 2233 or +971 6 515 2039 or +971 6 515 2282 or send email to studentaccounts@aus.edu.



Our residential halls are your home away from home.

Residential Halls

Students in our residential halls enjoy convenient access to everything our campus offers. Residence on campus is optional and only available for full-time students who have paid or arranged for the payment of their room, tuition and other university fees. (Other student categories may be considered depending on the availability of rooms.)

There are separate campus residential halls for men and women. All residential halls are equipped with Internet access, computer labs, gyms, TV and entertainment rooms, vending machines and laundry rooms.

Residential Hall Fees for Academic Year 2025–2026*		
(All fees are in UAE Dirhams)		
Type of Room	Fall/Spring Semester	Summer Term
Private room: Single occupancy with private bath and kitchenette (men's and women's halls)	15,000**	6,890**
Semi-private room: Single occupancy with a shared bath and kitchenette (men's and women's halls)	11,000**	4,880**
Shared room: Double occupancy with a shared bath and kitchenette (men's and women's halls)	7,000**	3,710**
Utilities service fee	290 (plus 5% VAT)	
Room Reservation Fee (required for new applicants)	1,000	
Residential halls maintenance deposit (refunded at final departure from the residential halls)	1,000	

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New first-time students joining from Fall 2025 as well as first-time students to AUS residential halls will receive the following discounts for any room type based on the academic year of intake. **Year 1: 25 percent | **Year 2:** 20 percent | **Year 3:** 15 percent | **Year 4 and beyond:** 10 percent.



Sharakah Program

As part of the university's community engagement strategic initiative, the AUS Sharakah program fosters partnerships with select schools in the UAE, KSA, Bahrain, Jordan and Syria. Through Sharakah, AUS engages school teachers and students in a thoughtfully curated spectrum of events, activities and programs, from teacher workshops and training, to academic events and sports competitions for students. Additionally, AUS offers exclusive scholarship opportunities for students from Sharakah partner schools. Learn more: www.aus.edu/sharakah.

Student Visas

AUS welcomes students from all over the world. We assist accepted students in applying for a UAE student visa, if needed, as per UAE government rules and regulations. Questions? Please contact VES@aus.edu.

What could your future at AUS look like?

Find out at one of our
on-campus
Open Days!
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The AUS Story

AUS was founded in 1997 by His Highness Sheikh Dr. Sultan bin Mohammed Al Qasimi, Member of the Supreme Council of the United Arab Emirates and Ruler of Sharjah. Inspired by his vision, AUS was established as a leading educational institution dedicated to advancing society through academic excellence, research, innovation and meaningful collaboration with industry and culture.

Today, under the leadership of Her Highness Sheikhha Bodour bint Sultan Al Qasimi, AUS is further enhancing its position regionally and globally by driving innovative research, expanding academic programs and strengthening global partnerships.

Home to students from over 100 nationalities, AUS provides a dynamic and inclusive learning environment where students are empowered to become impactful leaders, innovators and changemakers.

AUS delivers an exceptional educational experience, combining rigorous academic standards with rich cultural diversity and practical, real-world applications, with world-class facilities, renowned faculty and a dynamic academic community.



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