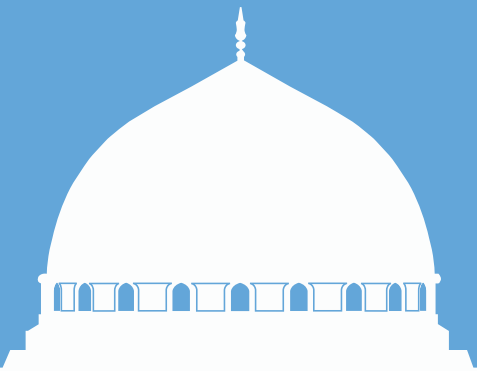









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Undergraduate Admissions Prospectus
2017–2018

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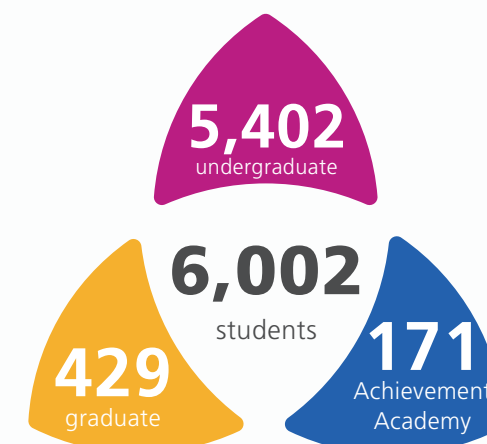


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Choosing a university is one of the most important decisions that you will ever make. Every program and each university is different, and making the right choice for you is about more than just choosing a degree program.

What makes American University of Sharjah (AUS) outstanding is that it provides a world-class American university education in the heart of the GCC with outstanding teaching, faculty and facilities. We are recognized by students, employers, faculty members and international accreditation bodies as a leading educational institution in the Gulf. The standard of instruction is as good as that of outstanding universities in America, with emphasis on individual initiative, active learning and the application of knowledge. We offer a vibrant student life on campus that is rich with clubs, sports and cultural events. At AUS, our goal is to develop students to their full potential—helping them in becoming future leaders and making valuable contributions in their chosen careers and in their local and regional communities.

We encourage you to visit our magnificent campus, inspect our state-of-the-art facilities, talk with students, meet members of the faculty and discover for yourself why so many bright young men and women have made AUS their first choice.





Grow

Your university years are a time to invest in your future. Your academic work and classroom experiences help you develop your mind, giving you tools for success in your chosen career. Student activities, internships and community service expand your horizons even more. Invest your time, your mind and your spirit in AUS and reap the benefits of your hard work and dedication in years to come.

Multicultural Setting

AUS is well known for its multicultural environment that brings together students and faculty members from all over the world. Nearly 100 nationalities are represented on our campus. We strive to instill in our students the importance of appreciating and understanding diversity, global issues and how they impact society. Our students are encouraged to gain firsthand experience in other cultures through our international exchange programs and study tours.

Clubs and Organizations

Campus life at AUS is vibrant. From student-led clubs and sports to cultural events and community service, you can further your talents through being a part of campus life. Participating in these activities helps you build leadership and organizational skills, which also help prepare you for the workplace.

Sports

We have exciting fitness training programs and activities for all students, including competitive teams and intramural competitions. Our world-class sports facilities and highly trained instructors are the reason our athletic teams, known as the Leopards, have won national and international competitions. Students with outstanding athletic ability are eligible for athletic scholarships to help them finance their studies at AUS.





Learn

An AUS education offers opportunities for students to reflect on a diverse and increasingly interdependent world and their place within it. Liberal studies form the core component of an AUS education. This means that all of our students complete a general education program that encourages intellectual discovery and critical reflection, and develops the knowledge and skills to succeed in and contribute to the world. Our degree programs foster personal development by providing the foundation for lifelong engagement with the questions that shape individuals and societies. At AUS, you are prepared for a lifetime, not just for a job.



Academic Resources

Students at AUS benefit from many academic resources that support their classwork. Our well-equipped laboratories, studios and computer learning resources provide valuable practical experience.

Our library, one of the best in the region, has a large collection of books and media items, computer workstations, study rooms and media viewing rooms. Using the library website, students and faculty can access e-books, online databases, journals and other digital resources. The library also offers hands-on information literacy classes to teach students research skills.

Our Academic Support Center works with students who are facing academic challenges to provide them with advising and skills development training required for academic progression. Students can also find individual help in the Mathematics Learning Center and the Writing Center.

AUS alumni are working in



Where AUS graduates are working

ADNOC, Emirates National, Oil Co., Schlumberger, American University of Sharjah, Ernst and Young, Schneider Electric, Baker Hughes, Etisalat Sharjah, Economic Development, Bee'ah, IBM, Sharjah Museums Department, Cisco Systems, International School of Choueifat, Shaw Group International, Citibank, L'Oreal, Shell EP International, CNN, Microsoft, ShowTime, Crescent Petroleum Nakheel, Standard Chartered Bank, Dell Computers, Nestle Team, Young & Rubicam, Deloitte & Touche, Nokia, Turner Construction, Deutsche Bank, Petrofac, UAE Armed Forces, DP World, Procter & Gamble, Unilever, DUBAL Qatar Foundation, University of British Columbia, EFG-Hermes, Saatchi & Saatchi Advertising, Wade Adams Contracting, Emaar Properties, Saudi Aramco, World Gold Council, Emirates Airlines.



Our Degree Programs

College of Architecture, Art and Design

www.aus.edu/caad

- Bachelor of Architecture
- Bachelor of Interior Design
- Bachelor of Science in Design Management
- Bachelor of Science in Multimedia Design
- Bachelor of Science in Visual Communication
- Master of Urban Planning

The Bachelor of Architecture program of the College of Architecture, Art and Design is accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) of the United States.

College of Arts and Sciences

www.aus.edu/cas

- Bachelor of Arts in English Language and Literature
- Bachelor of Arts in International Studies with concentrations in:

international relations
international economics

- Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communication with concentrations in:

advertising
journalism
public relations

- Bachelor of Science in Biology
- Bachelor of Science in Chemistry
- Bachelor of Science in Environmental Sciences with concentrations in:

environmental biology and ecosystems
environmental chemistry and analysis

- Bachelor of Science in Mathematics
- Master of Arts in English/Arabic/English Translation and Interpreting
- Master of Arts in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages
- Master of Science in Mathematics

Because enrollment in the College of Architecture, Art and Design and the College Engineering is usually limited, applicants are encouraged to apply early.

College of Engineering

www.aus.edu/cen

- Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
- Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering
- Master of Science in Chemical Engineering
- Master of Science in Civil Engineering
- Master of Science in Computer Engineering
- Master of Science in Electrical Engineering
- Master of Science in Engineering Systems Management
- Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering
- Master of Science in Mechatronics Engineering

The bachelor of science degree programs in chemical engineering, civil engineering, computer engineering, electrical engineering and mechanical engineering offered by the College of Engineering are accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET, 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, www.abet.org.

School of Business Administration

www.aus.edu/sba

- Bachelor of Arts in Economics
- Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a major in one of the following:
 - accounting
 - economics
 - finance
 - management
 - management information systems
 - marketing
- Master of Business Administration
- Master of Science in Accounting

All School of Business Administration undergraduate programs have a common set of foundation courses. Majors selected by the students are considered intended, pending the successful completion of the foundation courses.

The Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and the Master of Business Administration degrees offered by the School of Business Administration are accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business. SBA is a member of the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business International.



Live

Choosing a university is also about choosing a home. AUS offers a number of ways for you to become a part of this new community and a wide range of support services to help you feel at home from day one.

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|-------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Abela Cafeteria | Dunkin Donuts | Student Center |
| Academic Support Center | Health Clinic | Student Employment |
| Bank | Ladies' Salon | Student Leadership Program |
| Barber Shop | Laundry Service | Subway |
| Blends and Brews Coffee | Library | Study Abroad Program |
| Book Store | Mini-Mart | Testing Center |
| Breakpoint Café | Personal and Career Counseling | Transportation |
| Burger King | Pharmacy | Travel Agency |
| Café Grab N Go | Post Office | Writing Center |
| Copy Center | Sports Complex | Yogurberry |
| Day Care Center | Starbucks Coffee | |

2,156

students living on campus

52% women



48% men

Residential Halls

Living in the campus residential halls is not only convenient, it is a great way to become part of the campus community. Our residential halls offer multicultural atmosphere with a balanced mix of social and academic activities. Here, students find a place to live, relax, exercise and study in comfort, with the academic buildings, library and Student Center just a short walk away.

There are 12 separate campus residential halls for men and women. Accommodations range from private rooms to double rooms. The residential halls are supervised by staff on a 24/7 basis, and their role is to make your time at AUS more comfortable, prevent stress and help you make a seamless change from home to university life. For more information, please visit www.aus.edu/osa/residentialhalls.

Living on campus is optional and only available for full-time undergraduate AUS 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.



Dining and Services

Our full-service campus offers a range of dining options, and other services to make life easier for our students. From your favorite food outlets and sport facilities to a health clinic and a bank, AUS has brought a number of retail outlets and services to campus, leaving you more time to focus on your studies. Our self-contained campus is one of the primary reasons why AUS has earned such renown throughout the region.

Sharjah

The city of Sharjah is a city of learning and the arts, as confirmed by its 1998 UNESCO designation as the Cultural Capital of the Arab World. More than 20 museums are found in Sharjah, with collections of artifacts and art as well as exhibits on science and natural history. Sharjah also hosts many cultural festivals, art exhibitions, educational conferences, fairs and economic expositions, bringing internationally known speakers to the city. And, there are plenty of world-class malls, restaurants and cinemas.



Applying to AUS

American University of Sharjah places special emphasis on quality education. Applicants are considered on the basis of their qualifications regardless of race, color, gender, religion, disabilities, age or national origin. The most qualified candidates will be selected to fill the available places.

For admission consideration, secondary school grades and university grade point averages (if applicable) must meet the university's minimum established standards. Applicants with previous university/college experiences applying to AUS as first-year students will only be considered if they were in good academic standing in their previous university/college, meet the AUS admission requirements and if seats are available.

All admitted students are required to pay a 5,000 UAE Dirhams deposit to guarantee a seat reservation and a 500 UAE Dirhams dorm room deposit (if applicable). Both deposits are non-refundable and non-transferable to others under any circumstances and must be paid before the established deadline.

The offer of admission, regardless of type, is valid only for the semester for which a student applies. If an applicant is granted admission for a certain semester and for any reason fails to register for that semester, the applicant may request, in writing, deferring admission for the following semester only. Admission consideration for the following semester will depend on available places and the established admission criteria.

The medium of instruction is English, and a good command of the language, both oral and written, is essential for students to be successful at AUS. The university requires regular attendance at all classes, lectures, laboratory sessions and seminars.

Visa for Admitted Students

AUS will assist accepted students in applying for a UAE student visa, if needed, as per the UAE government rules and regulations. Approval of visa requests rests solely with the UAE Immigration Authority.

Deadlines for applying
Fall Semester 2017

Early Applicants:

April 13, 2017

Regular Applicants:

From outside UAE

June 29, 2017

From inside UAE

July 13, 2017

Deadlines for applying
Spring Semester 2018

From outside UAE:

December 13, 2017

From inside UAE:

December 28, 2017

Deadlines for transfer
applicants

Fall Semester 2017:

June 8, 2017

Spring Semester 2018:

December 21, 2017

Apply online at
www.aus.edu/apply



Applying to AUS

Minimum Admission Requirements

AUS's minimum admission requirements depend on the applicant's type of secondary education program and certificate. In all cases, for non-vocational certificates, only subjects classified as academic are accepted for admission consideration and the calculation of averages. Admission to the university is competitive, and the actual required minimum average for admission consideration and to guarantee a seat will depend on:

- secondary education certificate or school average
- SAT scores (as applicable)
- number of qualified applicants
- number of available seats
- TOEFL (iBT) score 80 and above or IELTS (Academic) score 6.5 and above

However, the minimum required average for accepting an application for admission consideration is the equivalent of 80 percent or more in the final year (depending on the education system) of secondary education, or 80 percent or more in the best two out of the last three years. Higher averages may be applicable for certain colleges and or majors. Other program-specific requirements or restrictions may also apply.

Recognized Secondary School Certificates

Secondary school certificates are awarded either by ministries of education or by private schools and institutions. AUS recognizes certificates awarded by ministries of education. However, some countries award two levels of secondary school certificates. In this case, the university recognizes the higher certificate. The university accepts certificates awarded by private secondary schools that are recognized by their host country. The university also accepts certificates awarded by recognized qualification authorities, international boards and national boards.

Following is a list of some common certificates and the corresponding minimum levels of performance required for accepting an application. These certificates and levels of achievement serve as guidelines only for admission to AUS and may change depending on the education system or school. Moreover, they may differ from other institutions or the standards that are generally accepted in an applicant's native country. The university may consider other types of secondary school certificates.

National General Secondary School Certificates (Arts or Science):

Minimum required average is the equivalent of 80 percent or more in the final year national exam, or 80 percent or more in best two years.

American-style High School Diploma:

Depending on the school grading system, minimum 3.0 CGPA (or equivalent) on a 4.0 scale (only subjects classified as academic are considered in the calculation of the CGPA). SAT scores are also required.

International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma:

Obtaining the diploma and completing any six subjects, with at least three at the higher level.

IGCSE, GCSE, GCE:

For an application to be accepted for admission consideration, applicants must submit a minimum of eight different IGCSE/GCSE and/or GCE subjects with four C grades and four B grades, or higher. Also, applicants must complete 12 years of schooling. A School Leaving Certificate must be provided, showing the last grade (year) completed. However, priority in admission consideration and the selection of majors will be given to applicants who meet the following requirements:

- Complete GCE advanced supplementary level (AS-level) and/or advanced level (A-level) subjects.
- Applicants with the highest grades.
- Academic subjects must be from at least four groups such as Math, Sciences, Languages, Humanities, Art, and Social Sciences.

Indian Board(s) Certificates:

Senior Secondary School Certificate (12th Standard) required, with an average equivalent to 80 percent.

Lebanese Baccalaureate: Obtaining the baccalaureate, with an average equivalent to 80 percent.

French Baccalaureate or equivalent: Obtaining the baccalaureate, with an average equivalent to 80 percent.

Advanced Standing

Students who achieve a minimum grade equivalent to B (3.0) in the IB Higher Level, GCE A-Level, the Lebanese Baccalaureate, the French Baccalaureate, the German Abitur or the American Advanced Placement Tests may be awarded course credits for some courses. For more information, visit www.aus.edu/registrar.

Note

IGCSE, GCSE, GCE and other similar examination results issued late for a particular semester may result in deferring the application to be considered for admission for the following semester.

Procedures for Applying

- To apply to AUS:
- Applicants may apply online by visiting www.aus.edu/apply.
 - Applicants may also choose to submit their applications by hand to the Office of Enrollment Management Undergraduate Admissions. The application form is enclosed in the prospectus folder.

Undergraduate Admissions receives applications during the following periods:
Fall Semesters: mid-November to mid-July | Spring Semesters: October to mid-December |
Summer Semesters: January to mid-May

Early Admission

If you are in your final year of secondary school, you are encouraged to apply for early admission by submitting official grade reports from at least the last two years previous to the final year of secondary school and SAT scores (as applicable). Since seats are usually limited, it is especially important for applicants to the College of Engineering and the College of Architecture, Art and Design to apply early to reserve a seat. Applicants with the highest grades who have the required TOEFL score or IELTS score (and SAT scores as applicable) will be given priority in admission consideration. Early admission is only offered to highly qualified applicants and is not considered final until students submit the following before being allowed to register for classes:

- a recognized and officially certified secondary school certificate or equivalent showing successful completion of secondary education
- all other items as requested in the letter of admission

Processing of early admissions applications for fall semester starts during the month of March. Processing of applications for spring semester starts during the month of October.

Regular Admission

If you have completed your secondary school education and have a secondary school certificate, you can apply through the regular admission procedure. To do so, you must submit the following documents:

- a recognized and officially certified secondary school certificate or equivalent and the grades from the last three years of secondary schooling showing your grade average and class rank (if available)
- officially certified documentation of national secondary school final exams results (if taken)
- SAT scores (as applicable)

Processing of regular admissions applications for fall semester starts during the month of May. Processing of applications for spring semester starts during the month of October.

Transfer Applicants

Depending on available seats, candidates transferring from institutions of higher education may be considered for admission subject to the following conditions:

- They are in good academic standing, i.e., not on probation or dismissed from the institution from which they are transferring.
- They are transferring from a recognized and accredited institution of higher education offering learning experiences equivalent to those offered at AUS and have successfully completed one or more semesters in that institution. The College of Engineering will not award transfer credit for engineering or computer science courses completed at academic programs not recognized by ABET, www.abet.org. Business administration courses will be considered for transfer only from programs accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business or from universities approved by the School of Business Administration.
- Prior to their admission to the institution from which they are transferring, they met the AUS requirements for admission.
- They meet the English language proficiency requirements of AUS.
- They submit official transcripts of their high school and college/university records along with the syllabi and descriptions of courses they seek to transfer.
- They achieved at their institution a minimum cumulative grade point average (CGPA) as required by AUS for that type of institution.

Transfer applicants from four-year colleges/universities with a similar mission to AUS may be awarded transfer credits. The minimum required course grade(s) to be considered for credit transfer will depend on the institution the applicant is transferring from. Courses taken more than five years prior to matriculation as an undergraduate student at AUS are not transferable. Furthermore, of the total credits required for a degree, a maximum of 50 percent of the credits completed in residence at another institution can be considered for transfer.



The decision regarding credits awarded is made solely by the appropriate academic division dean/department head at AUS. See the *AUS Undergraduate Catalog* (www.aus.edu/catalog) for more information.

Documents Required for Admission

- The following documents are required to process an application for admission:
- AUS application for admission, with every item in the application completed
 - official secondary school certificate certified by the appropriate authorities*
 - official grade reports of the last three secondary school classes certified by the appropriate authorities
 - SAT scores (as applicable)
 - a photocopy of the applicant's passport
 - a photocopy of the applicant's UAE national ID (for UAE residents)
 - the required Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) score, or International English Testing Systems (IELTS) Academic, if available at the time of applying
 - a non-refundable application fee of 400 UAE Dirhams
 - 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 UAE Ministry of Education.

The AUS SAT code is 5543.
The AUS iBT code is 0526.
The AUS AP Designated Institution (DI) code is 5543.

Program Admission Requirements

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

Literary Certificates

- Holders may be admitted to:
- the College of Arts and Sciences, except environmental sciences, chemistry, biology and mathematics majors
 - the College of Architecture, Art and Design, except architecture and interior design majors
 - any major offered by the School of Business Administration

Scientific Certificates

Holders may be admitted to any major in any of the colleges/schools.

Technical and Vocational Secondary School Certificates

Highly motivated and academically qualified students may be admitted to a major that corresponds to the nature of the technical or vocational secondary school program. For example, the holder of a technical secondary school certificate in electricity may apply to electrical engineering.

English Proficiency Tests

Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or International English Language Testing System (IELTS):
To complete the requirements for admission to any college/school, applicants must take TOEFL or IELTS. A minimum score of 80 or higher on TOEFL iBT, or 550 or higher on the AUS Institutional Paper-Based TOEFL (ITP) or 6.5 or higher on IELTS (Academic) is required for admission to the first year. Students who do not attain the minimum score but who otherwise meet AUS admissions standards may be admitted to the AUS Achievement

Academy Bridge Program. TOEFL scores and IELTS scores are valid for two calendar years only. Institutional TOEFL test versions taken at institutions other than AUS will not be accepted.

The AUS Testing Center offers TOEFL ITP, TOEFL IBT and IELTS. For more information, call +971 6 515 1111 or visit <https://infodesk.aus.edu>.

Placement Tests

All freshman applicants who attain the minimum score of 80 or higher on TOEFL iBT, or 550 or higher on the AUS Institutional Paper-Based TOEFL (ITP) or 6.5 or higher on IELTS (Academic) are required to sit for placement tests appropriate for their intended majors as shown in the following chart. For details, contact the AUS Testing Center at +971 6 515 1111 or <https://infodesk.aus.edu>.

Applicants who have completed SAT Subject Test - Math Level 1 with a minimum score of 600 are exempt from taking the AUS math placement tests. Applicants meeting any of the Placement Tests Exemption Criteria and transfer students may be exempted from taking certain placements tests depending on subjects/courses completed and grades earned. Applicants who meet any of the exemption criterion should send a request on <https://infodesk.aus.edu> attaching a copy of the reports to get a written confirmation regarding any exemption.

Major	Required Placement Tests				
	Engineering Math	Business Math	Architecture Math	Physics	English
Architecture/Interior Design	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Biology/Chemistry/Environmental Sciences	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Business Administration (all majors)/Economics (BA)	No	Yes	No	No	Yes
Computer Science	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Design Management	No	Yes	No	No	Yes
Engineering majors	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
English Language and Literature	No	No	No	No	Yes
International Studies (International Relations Concentration)	No	No	No	No	Yes
International Studies (International Economics Concentration)	Yes*	Yes*	No	No	Yes
Mass Communication	No	No	No	No	Yes
Mathematics	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Multimedia Design/Visual Communications	No	No	No	No	Yes
Undeclared Major	**	**	**	**	**

* Students with a declared concentration in international economics must take either the business math placement test or the engineering math placement text.
** Students with undeclared major should take all the placement tests of their intended major.
Note: The appropriate placement test(s) must be taken before a student can enroll in the corresponding first-year course.

Checking Your Application Status

Applicants may check their application status and any possible missing documents by using the AUS online service Self-Service Banner (SSB). To use the service, go to <https://banner.aus.edu>, and log in to Web Enabled Interface for Students using your provided AUS email username and password. Once logged in, go to Current Applicants, then go to Check Current Application Status and Pay Online and view the Status and Documents Checklist. Submitting missing document(s) can be done in one of the following ways:

- In person: Submit the documents by hand to Undergraduate Admissions located in the Main Building, Ground Floor.
- InfoDesk: Scan the documents and login to <https://infodesk.aus.edu> to upload them. Only proper scans are accepted. Snapshots by devices are not accepted.

Note that updates can be seen on SSB within three to five working days.





Tuition and Fees

Tuition Fees for Academic Year 2017–2018* (All fees are in UAE Dirhams.)	
Tuition for all majors (12 to 16 credits)	45,760 per semester
Lab/Technology Fee Type A	1,270 per course
Lab/Technology Fee Type B	1,410 per course
Textbook Fee	500 per semester
Tuition for all majors is 91,520 UAE Dirhams per academic year. In addition, technology fees may apply based on the courses registered for in a given semester.	
Achievement Academy Bridge Program	29,720 per semester
Student Activities Fee	300 per semester
Health insurance is required of all students. The insurance fee is AED 300 or AED 600 per semester, depending on the type of insurance plan applicable for each student.	

Notes

- Cost of food is not included in the housing fees
- One US Dollar is equivalent to 3.65 UAE Dirhams (subject to change)

Housing Fees for Academic Year 2017–2018* (All fees are in UAE Dirhams.)		
Type of Room	Per Semester	Per Academic Year
Private room: Single occupancy with private bath and kitchenette (men’s and women’s dorms)	17,230	34,460
Semi-private room: Single occupancy with a shared bath and kitchenette (men’s and women’s dorms)	12,200	24,400
Shared room: Double occupancy with a shared bath and kitchenette (men’s and women’s dorms)	9,280	18,560
Single room: Single occupancy with a common bath and no kitchenette (men’s dorms only)	6,430	12,860
Double room: Double occupancy with a common bath and no kitchenette (men’s dorms only)	3,740	7,480
Utilities service fee	290	580
Residential halls maintenance deposit	1,000	

*Subject to change pending approval of the AUS Board of Trustees. Check the AUS website for updates.



Deadlines for financial grant and scholarship applications

Fall Semester 2017: August 2, 2017
Spring Semester 2018: December 17, 2017

Financial Grants and Scholarships

The university has designated funds available for highly qualified undergraduate students with limited financial resources. Admitted students who pay the seat reservation deposit before the deadline may apply for a financial grant regardless of their race, color, gender, religion or national origin. Scholarship application forms can be obtained by contacting the Office of Financial Grants and Scholarships only after receiving the Letter of Admission.

Financial Grants

First-time students may apply for a financial grant if they have received an official Letter of Admission from AUS and have limited financial resources. The amount of grant awarded depends on the financial need and academic qualifications of the applicant. Approved applicants who plan to live on campus in sharing, double or single rooms may be also granted partial assistance toward their residential hall fees. Transfer students are eligible to apply for financial grants only after completing one semester at AUS.

Chancellor's Scholars Award

Newly admitted students may apply for the Chancellor's Scholars Award, which ranges from 75 percent to 100 percent of the tuition fees if they meet the following requirements: submit an essay detailing extracurricular activities, talents, social activities and anticipated contribution to AUS; outstanding personal qualities and leadership abilities in school and the community; scientific or literary contributions to the community; special school or community honors or awards; community service and school extracurricular activities; a minimum average of 95 percent or equivalent in the last three years of secondary education; and limited financial resources. This highly competitive scholarship is awarded only in fall semesters.

Merit Scholarship

Newly admitted students who achieve a minimum average of 95 percent or equivalent in the last year of secondary education are eligible for a merit scholarship of 15 percent of tuition fees. Transfer students are not eligible for a merit scholarship.

Family Tuition Grant

For families with more than one daughter/son enrolled simultaneously at AUS as full-time undergraduates in a degree program, a tuition discount of 25 percent is given to each sibling after the first. To receive the family tuition grant, students must complete an application available from the Office of Financial Grants and Scholarships. Applications must be received by the end of the first week of classes. Forms for financial grants and scholarships can be requested from the Office of Financial Grants and Scholarships by any of the following methods:

scholarship@aus.edu

Tel +971 6 515 2060/2072

Fax +971 6 515 4050

American University of Sharjah

PO Box 26666, Sharjah, UAE

www.aus.edu/grants_scholarships

Laptop Requirements

To take advantage of the innovative curriculum and technological infrastructure at the School of Business Administration (SBA), students admitted to SBA are required to have a laptop computer that is compatible with the AUS network, and have it available for use in various classes. They will be required to purchase a specific software package of materials that will need to be installed on their laptops. More specific information about that software package will be provided at orientation.

Students admitted to the College of Architecture, Art and Design are required at the outset of their third year to purchase a designated laptop.

AUS is evaluating additional student laptop programs and support. Prospective students in any program should not purchase a laptop for use at AUS without checking first with their major school or program.

Payments

Payments to the AUS cashier are accepted in the following forms:

- Cash: Denomination of UAE Dirhams only
- Check: Current dated, UAE Dirhams checks drawn on UAE Bank (bounced checks are subject to fine)
- Cards: All major debit and credit cards (Card payments are subject to handling fees.)
- Direct deposit and bank transfer to:
 1. Bank: Sharjah Islamic Bank (AUS Branch)
 2. Account Name: American University of Sharjah
 3. Account #: 0029-200170-001
 4. SWIFT: NBSHAEAS
 5. IBAN: AE65 0410 0000 2920 0170 001

* The student's name (as per passport) and AUS ID number (if available) must be mentioned on all deposits and transfers.

**Scan the deposit slip or transfer confirmation and email to studentaccounts@aus.edu or fax it to Finance: +971 6 515 2190

For finance-related inquiries, 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.



Important Dates

Fall Semester 2017	Spring Semester 2018	Summer Term 2018
July 16–August 17 Early File Completion	December 17, 2017–January 11, 2018 Early File Completion	May 27–28, Sunday–Monday Orientation and registration
August 17, Thursday Residential halls open	January 11, Thursday Residential halls open	May 29, Tuesday First day of classes
August 18, Friday Welcome session for new students and parents	January 12, Friday Welcome session for new students and parents	July 15, Sunday Summer session classes end
August 20, Sunday New students’ academic and majors orientation	January 14, Sunday New students’ academic and majors orientation	
August 21–22, Monday–Tuesday Placement tests for new students (admitted late)	January 15–16, Monday–Tuesday Placement tests for new students (admitted late)	
August 23–24, Wednesday–Thursday Registration for new students	January 17–18, Wednesday–Thursday Registration for new students	
August 27, Sunday First day of classes	January 21, Sunday First day of classes	
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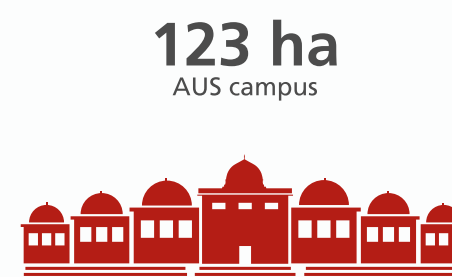
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