

International Exchange Office (IXO) Factsheet (2015 - 2016)

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Application Information

You may study at the American University of Sharjah (AUS) for a semester or for a full academic year. AUS is a member of ISEP and proud to receive students from member institutions such as CIEE, API, and IFSA-Butler. If your college or university is not on any of these lists, you may still attend AUS as a visiting student. For more details, please visit www.aus.edu/ixo.



Programs Offered

College of Architecture, Art and Design

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

College of Arts and Sciences

Bachelor of Arts in English Language and Literature
Bachelor of Arts in International Studies
Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communication
Bachelor of Science in Biology
Bachelor of Science in Chemistry
Bachelor of Science in Environmental Sciences
Bachelor of Science in Mathematics
Master of Arts Degree in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages
Master of Arts in Translation and Interpreting (English/Arabic/English)
Master of Science in Mathematics
Graduate Certificate in Museum and Heritage Studies

College of Engineering

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering
Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering
Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering
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

School of Business Administration

Bachelor of Arts in Economics
Bachelor of Science in Business Administration major in Accounting, Economics, Finance, Management, Management Information System and Marketing
Master of Business Administration

Summer Intensive Arabic Language Program

For more information on the courses offered, take a look at the online AUS Undergraduate Catalog, <http://goo.gl/5GriR>

Accreditation

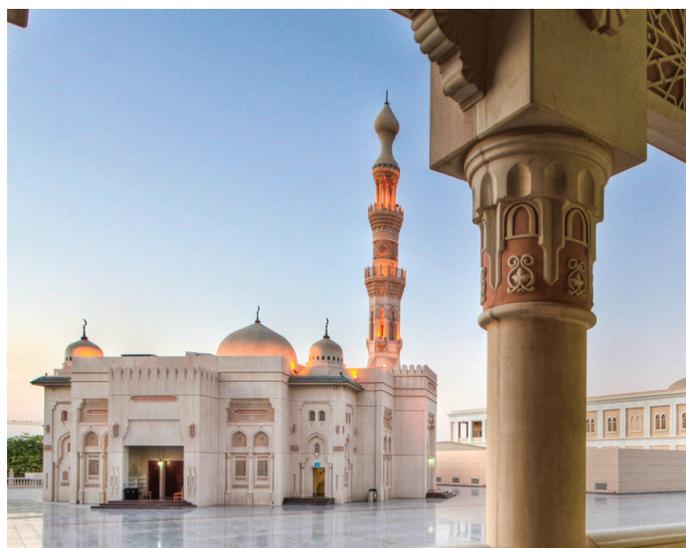
AUS is licensed and its programs are accredited by the Commission for Academic Accreditation of the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research in the United Arab Emirates.

AUS is accredited in the United States of America by the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools (3624 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104, USA, Tel +1 215 662 5606).

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 (<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 United States to receive this accreditation.

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. 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.

The Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (BSBA) as well as the Master of Business Administration (MBA) and Executive Master of Business Administration (EMBA) degrees offered by the School of Business Administration are accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB).





About AUS

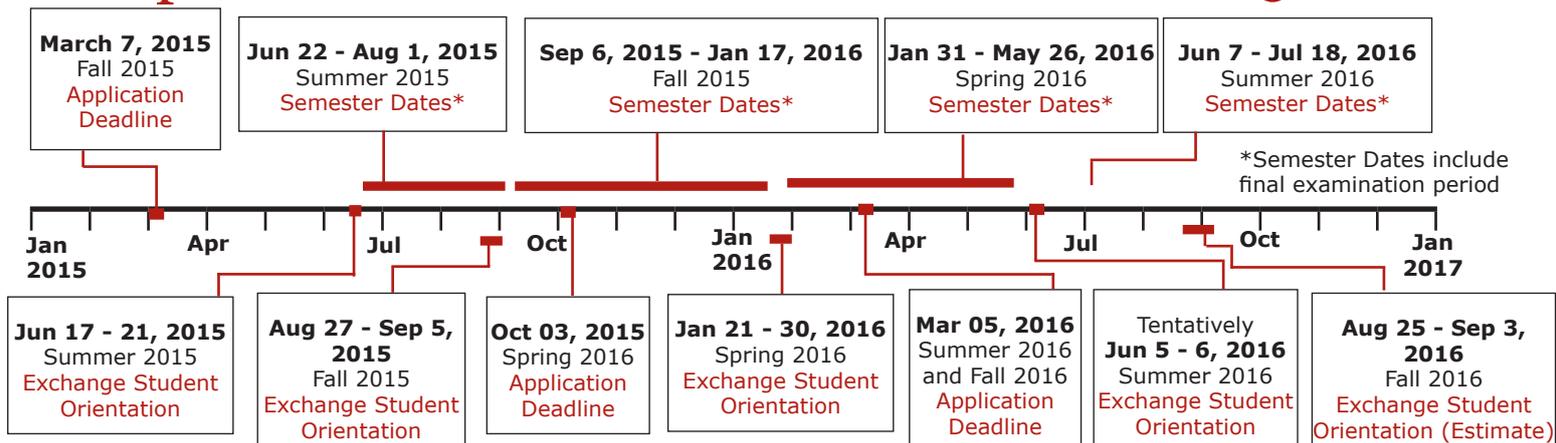
American University of Sharjah (AUS) is a comprehensive, independent, non-profit, coeducational institution of higher education that fosters excellence in teaching, learning and research. Based on an American model of higher education and grounded in the culture of the Gulf region, AUS fosters a community that embraces cultural diversity and whose members are committed to the ideals of open intellectual inquiry, ethical behavior, and social and civic responsibility. An engaged, productive and effective member of society, AUS educates lifelong learners who display mastery in the core competencies of their areas of specialization, and who communicate clearly, think critically and solve problems creatively. From its inception, AUS was envisioned as a place that would “feel” like an American campus.

While Arabic is the official language of the United Arab Emirates, the language of instruction at AUS is English. All classes and administrative functions are conducted in English.

AUS is an extremely diverse community of faculty, staff and students, e.g. 80% of our 6,500+ students come from outside the UAE, from around 92 countries throughout the Arabic/Islamic region and beyond. Studying abroad at AUS allows you to pursue your educational program at a top quality, US-accredited institution, while exposing you to a truly internationalized community in a rapidly growing, exciting part of the world.

Our campus offers the full range of amenities, including a post-office, bank, convenience stores, cafés, a travel office, health clinic, pharmacy, hair dresser, bowling alley, bookstore etc.

Important Dates for the Academic Year 2015 - 2016



Visa Information

Upon acceptance to AUS, students will receive a pre-arrival guide detailing the process of applying for a visa. Once at AUS, IXO will advise you on how to proceed as requirements are subject to change.

Students will apply for a 1-yr residence visa and a UAE national ID. A blood test and chest x-ray are required for visa issuance which must be done *in-country*.

Accommodation Options

40% of AUS students live in dorms on campus.

Private:

Single occupancy with a private bath and kitchenette

Semi-Private:

Single occupancy with shared bath a kitchenette

Sharing:

Double occupancy with a shared bath and kitchenette



Health Insurance Information

All students are required to submit proof of international health and travel insurance prior to arrival.

Medical Examination: Undergraduate students are required to have a physical during orientation week. This includes a complete blood count, blood grouping. Students may be exempt from this requirement only if they can provide documentation of a blood grouping/urinalysis from the past 6 months. Otherwise they will be required to complete this at the University Health Clinic for a fee (100 AED). In addition, they will still be required to have a blood test and chest x-ray as part of visa processing.

Proof of International Insurance: All students are required to have international insurance coverage, effective from the day of arrival in the UAE through the date of departure. Students will be placed under Plan II insurance at AUS. The cost is AED 300 and allows access to all health clinic facilities and services. Students may also purchase health insurance from the university, in which case they will be placed under Plan I insurance costing AED 600.

Estimated Costs During Exchange Semester

The following are a list of the estimated costs during the exchange semester at the American University of Sharjah.

Per Semester Costs (estimated for a 20 week semester)	AED	U.S. \$
Meals (estimated at 20 AED per meal, 19 meals per week, 20 weeks total)	7,600	2,066
Books (estimated)	1,472	401
Visa / immigration (for minimum one year residence visa)	908 to 1,255	215 to 309
Emirates ID Fee	170	46
Additional Student Transcripts (first one is free)	25	7
Personal Expenses (estimated at 200 AED per week)	3,800	1,035

Note: For summer, costs of meals and personal expenses should be adjusted to 6 weeks (vs. 20 weeks), and the cost of books can be assumed at half the amount shown above. Please note that all amounts are subject to change.