

# FACT SHEET 2025 -2026

## INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE STUDENT INFORMATION

### Academic Calendar

These dates are subject to change

<https://www.lau.edu.lb/calendar/20252026/>

**FALL** | Orientation: August 29-30  
First Day of Classes: September 1  
Final Exams: December 10-21

**SPRING** | Orientation: January 11-12-13  
First Day of Classes: January 16  
Final Exams: May 8-18

### Institutional & Program Accreditation

[www.lau.edu.lb/about/accreditation.php](http://www.lau.edu.lb/about/accreditation.php)

### Academic Catalogue

<https://catalog.lau.edu.lb/2024-2025/>

### Language of Instruction

English

### Language Requirements

LAU requires TOEFL or SATI from its students

### Average Workload Per Semester

12-15 LAU credits for undergraduates students  
9 LAU credits for graduates students

### Registration of Course

Exchange/Study Abroad students' courses registration will take place during orientation week at ISP office

### Deadlines

**FALL** | Nomination: April 15  
Application: May 15

**SPRING** | Nomination: October 15  
Application: November 15

### Documents Required

- Copy of Passport
- English Level Proof
- Transcript
- Personal Photo

### International Students' Guide

- Pre-Arrival info
- Residency Papers
- Buddy Program
- Airport Arrival
- Living in Lebanon
- Checklist

<https://www.lau.edu.lb/study/international-students/guide.php>

### Fees

- International exchange students do not pay tuition fees at LAU.
- Medical insurance: \$420**
- School liability: \$11** insures you in case of accidents on campus or outside campus on university sponsored activities. *(Mandatory)*
- National Social Security Fund (NSSF): \$61** if you are Lebanese or French with no proof of social security coverage for you. Students of other nationalities are exempted from this charge as they do not benefit from the NSSF. (N.B. If you are a holder of a dual nationality, the NSSF fee will be charged/waived according to the nationality that you have presented or petitioned for at the Admissions office) Also, freshman students and students of age 30 and above are exempted from the NSSF fee.
- For more information refer to:** <https://www.lau.edu.lb/experience/health/medical-insurance-premiums.php>

### Grading System

<https://catalog.lau.edu.lb/2024-2025/undergraduate/academic-rules-procedures.php>

### SINARC (Arabic Language and Culture Program)

[sinarc@lau.edu.lb](mailto:sinarc@lau.edu.lb)

**Are you interested in our Arabic language and culture program?**

The SINARC Program in Beirut campus is a full program of 15 credits; you can enroll in some SINARC courses with your regular LAU courses without exceeding the number of credits specified above (For **Undergraduate**).

As for **graduate** students, you can add maximum one SINARC Course (3 credits) to the maximum load to the maximum load of 9 credits to reach 12 credits.

**TO NOMINATE YOUR STUDENT** [CLICK HERE!](#)

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