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A Historical Timeline: 1835–2011

1835
American Presbyterian missionaries establish the American School for Girls in response to a lack of available education for girls in the region.

1924
The school becomes the American Junior College for Women, with a founding class of eight students.

1933
The cornerstone of LAU’s oldest building, Sage Hall, is laid and the college is moved to its present location in Beirut.

1948–49
The name of the college is changed to Beirut College for Women (BCW).

1950
The Board of Regents of the University of the State of New York grants BCW a provisional charter, allowing it to offer the B.A., A.A. and A.A.S. degrees.

1994
The Board of Regents approves the university’s new name — Lebanese American University (LAU). The charter is amended to include master’s degrees. LAU has three schools: Arts & Sciences, Business, and Engineering & Architecture. During this year, the School of Pharmacy also opens.

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2005
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LAU at a Glance…

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LAU’s green campuses are set on hillside locations by the Mediterranean Sea, with easy transportation access to all areas of Lebanon and the comfort of mild weather throughout the year.

Both the Byblos and Beirut campuses offer the same structured programs in arts, sciences and business. The School of Nursing and School of Medicine programs, as well as junior and senior years in programs at the School of Engineering and School of Pharmacy, are situated on the Byblos campus.

The Beirut campus, which occupies 25,368 square meters, benefits from an urban setting with direct access to the cultural, social, educational and recreational resources of Lebanon’s capital. It is the site of the university’s foundation and home to three schools — Architecture and Design, Arts and Sciences, and Business.

The Byblos campus, inaugurated in 1991, occupies 159,424 square meters. It has grown to become the seat of six schools — Arts and Sciences, Business, Engineering, Nursing, Pharmacy and Medicine. The newly built Frem Civic Center opened on the Byblos campus in 2011. Other planned additions to this campus are a state-of-the-art medical-nursing complex and a new library.

Both campuses are equipped with free wireless internet access and boast impressive libraries, athletics facilities, residence halls, theaters, IT and computer facilities, laboratories and academic support services.
Academic Programs

LAU offers undergraduate and graduate degree programs in various fields of study through seven schools:

- School of Arts and Sciences
- School of Architecture and Design
- School of Business
- School of Engineering
- Gilbert and Rose-Marie Chagoury School of Medicine
- Alice Ramez Chagoury School of Nursing
- School of Pharmacy
School of Arts and Sciences

The School of Arts and Sciences is home to LAU’s oldest programs, which form the core of the university’s liberal arts tradition. The school is renowned for its expansive list of top-notch academic programs, and diverse and qualified faculty dedicated to developing students’ critical-thinking and communication skills. On October 1, 2011 the Bachelor of Science degree program in computer science was formally accredited by the Computing Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET). This accreditation action extends retroactively from October 1, 2010. The School of Arts and Sciences offers the following degrees:

Bachelor’s Degrees

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in: Communication Arts (92 credits), Education (95 credits), English (92 credits), History (92 credits), Philosophy (92 credits), Political Science/International Affairs (92 credits), Political Science (92 credits), Psychology (92 credits), Social Work (92 credits), Teaching English as a Foreign Language (95 credits), Teaching Arabic as a Foreign Language (95 credits)
Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in: Biology (96 credits), Chemistry (92 credits), Computer Science (92 credits), Mathematics (92 credits), Nutrition (94 credits)

Master’s Degrees

Master of Arts (M.A.) in: Comparative Literature (30 credits), Education (30 credits), International Affairs (30 credits)

Master of Science (M.S.) in: Computer Science (30 credits), Molecular Biology (30 credits)

Special Degree

Teaching Diploma (T.D.) in: Elementary Level, Intermediate and Secondary Level (21 credits)
In the fall of 2009, LAU officially established the School of Architecture and Design, grouping together all architecture, design and fine arts programs under one school. The school is home to the following degree programs:

**Bachelor's Degrees**

- **Bachelor of Architecture (B.Arch.)** (176 credits)
- **Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)** in: Fine Arts (92 credits), Interior Architecture (139 credits)
- **Bachelor of Science (B.S.)** in: Graphic Design (118 credits), Interior Design (110 credits)
LAU’s School of Business has grown rapidly to boast the largest number of students of all the university’s schools. Through three undergraduate degree programs and two M.B.A. programs, the school provides students with professional training for a wide range of leadership roles.

**Bachelor’s Degrees**

**Bachelor of Science (B.S.)** in:

Economics (92 credits) with four different tracks (Finance, Management, Mathematics, Political Science/International Affairs)

Hospitality and Tourism Management (94 credits)

**Master’s Degrees**

**Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.)** (39 credits)

**Executive Master of Business Administration (E.M.B.A.)** (36 credits)
School of Engineering

The School of Engineering provides its students with a rigorous academic education and a dynamic professional foundation, empowering graduates as they move on to successful careers in today’s global markets.

On October 1, 2011 the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET) granted accreditation to all five undergraduate degree programs in the School of Engineering: Civil, Computer, Electrical, Mechanical, and Industrial. LAU now has the only ABET-accredited industrial engineering program in Lebanon.

The school offers the following degrees:

**Bachelor’s Degrees**

**Bachelor of Engineering (B.E.)** (150 credits) in: Civil Engineering, Computer Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Industrial Engineering, Mechanical Engineering

**Master’s Degrees**

**Master of Science (M.S.)** (30 credits) in: Civil and Environmental Engineering, Computer Engineering, Industrial Engineering and Engineering Management
The LAU Gilbert and Rose-Marie Chagoury School of Medicine opened its doors in September 2009 to students from Lebanon and across the region, offering them a medical education in accordance with the highest American standards.

The school has been conceived and designed in collaboration with Partners Harvard Medical International, and boasts a forward-thinking and integrated curriculum in which basic and clinical sciences are taught simultaneously throughout the four-year program, and practical exposure begins in the first year.

The school offers the following degree:

**Doctorate Degree**

**Doctor of Medicine (M.D.)**
The Alice Ramez Chagoury School of Nursing admits undergraduate students who seek a strong education and relevant professional experience to meet the persistent need for high-quality, safe and effective health care.

The school offers students a comprehensive and intellectually challenging curriculum that emphasizes professional nursing standards, provision of patient-centered care, and ethical practice.

The 104-credit curriculum is built on a liberal arts foundation, and complements nursing science with knowledge from the biomedical and social sciences. Graduates of the program will be qualified to seek registered nurse positions in Lebanon and around the world.

The school offers the following degree:

**Bachelor’s Degree**

**Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Nursing**
School of Pharmacy

The School of Pharmacy prepares students for careers in clinical pharmacy, providing them with a thorough understanding of drugs and diseases, while instilling in them the values requisite to serving society as caring and ethical professionals.

The school comprises two departments, the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences and the Department of Pharmacy Practice, and offers the following degrees:

**Bachelor’s Degree**

**Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Pharmacy** (174 credits)

**Doctorate Degree**

**Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.)** (21 credits)

LAU’s Doctor of Pharmacy program is the only program of its kind outside of the United States that is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education.
Libraries

At LAU’s libraries in Beirut and Byblos, the value of traditional resources such as books, journals and other print materials is enhanced and complemented by close to 136 state-of-the-art electronic databases. Approximately 63,680 full-text serial titles are electronically available, putting millions of articles at the fingertips of students, faculty and staff. In addition, library users have access to 85,084 e-books.

Both libraries offer users an integrated service environment, uniting technology and human expertise. Users can benefit from individual instruction and orientation, to training sessions and research assistance. Through agreements with institutions abroad, the libraries secure on-demand materials that are otherwise unavailable in Lebanon.

Computer facilities include scanners, printers and 179 public computers, in addition to a comprehensive audiovisual collection and practical teaching/children resources for education students.

The Beirut Riyad Nassar Library offers a number of special collections, including books and other materials on women’s studies, education, Islamic art and architecture, and the oldest children’s library in Lebanon.

Collections (2009–2010)

- Total print volumes: 327,247
- Electronic books: 85,084
- Print/microform serial subscriptions (title number): 1,006
- Print/microform serial subscriptions (volume number): 40,702
- Full-text electronic journals: 63,679
- Total online databases: 136
- Microforms – Byblos campus: 12 titles in 150 reels
- Total media materials: 12,158
Centers and Institutes

LAU has a total of 21 centers and institutes, each headed by renowned faculty. They regularly hold conferences, workshops and seminars throughout the year, offering specialized knowledge and access to information and resources, and providing specialized training to students, researchers, faculty and professionals from around the world.

LAU’s 21 centers and institutes:

- Center for Lebanese Heritage
- Center for Program and Learning Assessment
- CISCO Institute
- Continuing Education Program
- Human Resources Institute
- Institute for Banking and Finance
- Institute for Media Training and Research
- Institute for Migration Studies
- Institute for Peace and Justice Education
- Institute for Water Resources and Environmental Technologies
- Institute for Women’s Studies in the Arab World
- Institute of Diplomacy and Conflict Transformation
- Institute of Family and Entrepreneurial Business
- Institute of Hospitality and Tourism Management Studies
- Institute of Islamic Art and Architecture
- Institute of Human Genetics
- Software Institute
- Summer Institute for Intensive Arabic Language and Culture
- Teacher Training Institute
- University Enterprise Office
- Urban Planning Institute

To learn more about any of LAU’s 21 centers and institutes, visit their websites listed at: http://www.lau.edu.lb/academics/index.php.
LAU’s Summer Institute for Intensive Arabic Language and Culture is a multi-faceted language and cultural immersion program that welcomes students from all over the world. In business for over 12 years, SINARC has quickly become a top choice for Arabic language learners looking not only to improve their language skills but also to gain a true understanding of the cultural and social dynamics in the region. SINARC credits are transferable to most institutions of higher education across the globe.

The SINARC program is hosted yearly at LAU’s Beirut campus. Situated in the heart of the Lebanese capital, the campus provides students with a unique perspective on Lebanese culture and daily life. SINARC offers courses in Arabic language and culture at various levels of proficiency. Each level provides 20 hours per week of intensive classroom instruction, including five hours per week of Lebanese dialect. Formal language instruction is enriched by immersion in an authentic cultural context. Cultural activities include weekly lectures on topics related to Arab and Lebanese politics, history, society and culture. In addition, students partake in a series of excursions to historical, cultural and tourist sites throughout Lebanon and Syria. Students can choose to participate in the summer, fall or spring program.

For more information, visit:  http://www.lau.edu.lb/centers-institutes/sinarc/.
University Enterprise Office (UEO)

The University Enterprise Office at LAU serves a strategic advisory and coordination role for the university’s projects throughout the Middle East and North Africa (MENA). In particular, it offers academic coverage services to the Scientific College of Design in Muscat, Oman, and coordinates management of the LAU–MEPI Tomorrow’s Leaders Program. In addition to offering advisory services to universities in the MENA region, UEO provides consultation on strategy, operations, academic planning, accreditation, enrollment management, and implementation and performance-monitoring services.
Established in 1973, the Institute for Women’s Studies in the Arab World is committed to leading academic research on women in the Arab world and empowering women in the region through development programs and education, while serving as a catalyst for policy changes regarding women’s rights in the region.

An active and highly regarded institute on the study of women in the region, IWSAW facilitates networking and communication, and extends ties with international organizations and universities working on gender issues.

IWSAW is in the process of establishing a Graduate Program (M.A.) in Gender/Women’s Studies at LAU. Expected to start in 2012, this graduate program will be the first of its kind in Lebanon, and will aim to generate a group of young and qualified researchers in the field.

Al-Raida, IWSAW’s flagship publication since 1976, is an interdisciplinary journal which raises gender issues in historical and contemporary contexts and aims to bridge the conventional divide between scholarship and activism. Al-Raida is in the process of becoming a bi-annual, double-blind, peer-reviewed journal.

For more information, visit the IWSAW website at: http://iwsaw.lau.edu.lb/
Continuing Education Program (CEP)

The Continuing Education Program at LAU offers innovative learning opportunities for future leaders of the community while enhancing performance, promoting professional advancement and encouraging achievement. Through programs designed for the 21st-century workplace, CEP provides adult learners with pertinent knowledge and specialized skills.

CEP promotes professional practices in continuing education by creating and developing innovative and dynamic educational programs, and by responding to specific learning needs in a variety of fields.

Courses and workshops are tailored to any region and are based on the client’s requirements. Certificate-based programs are offered on campus or at the client’s requested location during or after working hours.

In addition to its headquarter office at LAU Beirut, CEP has opened in 2011 satellite offices in Beirut’s Bashoura District at the Makassed School for Girls, and is inaugurating offices in Tripoli at the Safadi Foundation, and in Zahleh at the Evangelical School.

For more information, visit the CEP website at: http://www.lau.edu.lb/cep.
LAU’s student body, characterized by diversity and community spirit, constitutes one of the university’s chief assets. More than 80 nationalities — and all of Lebanon’s confessional groups — are represented on both campuses. Student achievements continuously enhance the university’s reputation locally and internationally. Student enrollment for the fall term of the 2010-2011 academic year totaled 8,067 students.

### Students

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The growing numbers of international students LAU attracts attests to its rising reputation for academic excellence. In the 2010-2011 academic year, an 20 percent of the student population was international, representing 80 different nationalities in both the fall 2010 and spring 2011 terms. With the new schools of Medicine and Nursing as well as the renowned Pharmacy School programs, this number is set to further increase considerably.
As part of its Strategic Plan, LAU is raising the standards of faculty qualifications. Of 302 full-time faculty members, 77.5 percent hold doctorates or highest degrees in their fields. Around 47 percent of Ph.D.s or holders of other terminal degrees have degrees from the United States; 27 percent from Western Europe; 6 percent from Canada, Australia and South Africa; and 20 percent from Lebanon and other Arab countries. The university’s faculty body is further characterized by diversity: 51 percent are Lebanese, 35 percent are dual nationals, and 14 percent are non-Lebanese foreigners. An impressive 42 percent of full-time faculty members are women. The approximate student-faculty ratio on both campuses is 20:1 (full-time equivalents for fall 2010).

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Staff

With 511 full-time staff members, LAU is one of the largest private employers in Lebanon and one of the fastest-growing universities in the region. Through key service areas that include student development and enrollment management, information technology, advancement, administration, human resources, and marketing and communications, the university’s staff has grown steadily over the years, with new talent attracted by LAU’s positive work environment and excellent employee benefits package.

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In its efforts to promote academic excellence, LAU provides a comprehensive financial aid program that rewards academic performance and addresses financial need. Each eligible student benefits from a financial aid package corresponding to the combined rating of his or her academic and financial status. Financial aid is granted in the form of merit scholarships, work-aid, loans and grants.

For the academic year 2010–2011, LAU has increased its financial aid budget by seven percent to reach over $15.4 million, which has funded around 2,000 students. Seventy-six students received Merit Scholarships in fall 2010. The number of MEPI Grants has increased, from 22 awarded in fall 2009 to 31 awarded in fall 2010. In addition, 162 incoming LAU students have been awarded an Entrance Scholarship in the fall 2010, an increase of six percent from fall 2009.
LAU’s tuition structure for undergraduate students is term-based. These fees range from $10,800 to $15,500 per year, depending on the degree program. Graduate tuition fees are on a per-credit basis and range from $10,458 to $11,196 per year. The annual tuition fee for the first-professional-degree programs for the academic year 2011-2012 are $25,235 for students of the School of Medicine, and $14,700 for students of the Pharm-D. program.

Budget

The university’s operating budget for 2011–2012 is $120,000,000, a significant increase of seven percent from the 2010–2011 operating budget of $111,840,000, reflecting the continued growth and expansion of LAU. Funding comes from tuition and students fees, private gifts, government grants, fundraising and endowment income.
LAU has close to 30,000 alumni around the world. Thirty-two vibrant and active alumni chapters maintain ties with the university and foster networking among generations of LAU graduates. Alumni are offered a number of benefits and services from LAU and are regularly invited to participate in a range of dedicated events, including reunions, homecomings, conferences, lectures, dinners, and social gatherings. Members of the university’s active Alumni Association also have access to certain LAU facilities and participate in alumni elections.

Alumni chapters:
- Abu Dhabi, UAE
- Aleppo, Syria
- Amman, Jordan
- Athens, Greece
- Bahrain
- Beirut College for Women (BCW)
- Beirut, Lebanon
- Byblos, Lebanon
- Damascus, Syria
- Detroit, USA
- Dubai and Northern Emirates, UAE
- Eastern Province, Saudi Arabia
- Florida, USA
- Geneva, Switzerland
- Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
- Kuwait
- London, UK
- Montreal, Canada
- New England, USA
- New York/New Jersey, USA
- North Lebanon, Lebanon
- Northern California, USA
- Oman
- Ottawa, Canada
- Qatar
- Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
- School of Engineering
- School of Pharmacy
- South Lebanon, Lebanon
- Southern California, USA
- Toronto, Canada
- Washington, D.C., USA
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