

SHINING SPORTSMANSHIP

In 2015-2016, our excellent student athletes continued the fine tradition of representing their alma mater in dozens of national and international tournaments across a variety of sports, bringing back numerous first place trophies. The number of students engaged in athletics across both campuses grew by 145 percent since 2013, with young men and women engaged in 21 different sports and 30 varsity teams. The expansion of athletics has had a positive impact on student recruitment.

Our Byblos athletes are ranking first in men's football, and women's volleyball, and we finished second in men's basketball, men's and women's tennis, men's swimming. As for Byblos international participation, our men's basketball finished in second place in Euro Madrid Tournament, and won in men's Tennis, to add to two gold and five silvers in swimming. In Beirut our strongest teams this year were handball, soccer, women's basketball, swimming, and track and field.



HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

This year, the men's Football team (Byblos) made history by taking first place in the University Sports Conference tournament, as did the women's Volleyball (Byblos) team. Student athletes also took the top podiums in chess (women), table tennis (women) and men's handball at competitions organized by the Lebanese Federation of University Sports. Internationally, our Byblos teams participated in tournaments in Spain, Greece and Serbia; their counterparts from Beirut traveled to Italy, Spain and Serbia to compete in varied sports arenas.

The LAU (combined) Rugby League teams playing in the Lebanese Federation of Rugby League's Collegiate Championships, took 2nd place in Division 1 (Senior team) and Division 2 (Junior Varsity).

"I want to make it to the Olympics." –Mohamad Baghdadi. Student Mohamad Baghdadi won the Lebanese National Triathlon Championship in November 2015.