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The Annual Report highlights the outstanding achievements made by the University and recognitions and awards over the academic year 2016-2017.

Great appreciation is owed to academic and non-academic staff who have participated in the accomplishment of this report.

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President's Message

On behalf of Beirut Arab University, I am pleased to introduce the Annual Report that outlines the achievements and progress of the University during the academic year 2016-2017. One of the major achievements was accomplished by the Faculty of Law and Political Science, which earned the international accreditation of its programs from FIBAA. Likewise, the Faculty of Health Sciences obtained international accreditation of its four programs from WCPT and AHPGS, the Faculty of Human Sciences obtained international accreditation of its Psychology Program from the AHPGS, and the Faculty of Architecture – Design and Built Environment earned Part II validation from RIBA.

Taking large steps towards internationalization was also embodied in setting of the research themes in line with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The implementation of the four research themes of Health and Wellbeing; Science and Technology; Society, Culture, and Human Behavior; and Creative Sustainable Development was widely reflected in research.

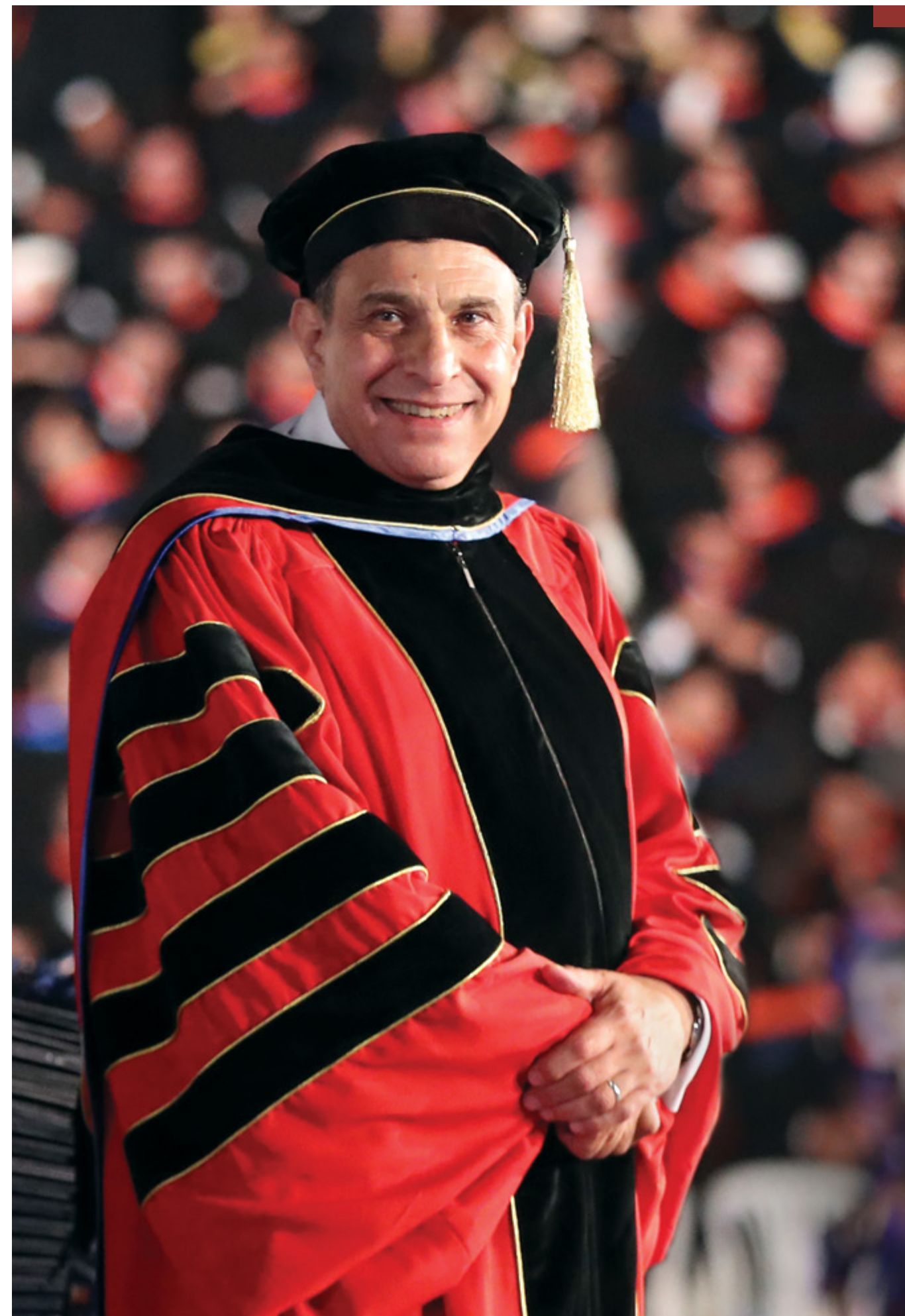
Conforming to the strategic areas of supporting research excellence and academic staff excellence, several amendments were made to BAU's academic staff promotion criteria, represented by the introduction of the point system and the setting of high quality standards for research conducted by the academic staff. With regard to curricular development, three new undergraduate programs were introduced: Biomedical Engineering, Chemical Engineering, and Fashion Design in addition to a number of graduate programs including a Diploma in Special Needs Studies, a Diploma in Medical Law, a Doctorate of Business Administration (DBA), a Master's in Architecture - Digital Design and Fabrication, a Master's in Food Analysis and Safety among many others...

A further step towards improving student life is the establishment of laboratories and centers at BAU. In March, BAU launched the Digital Fabrication Laboratory, which is equipped with state of the art technological devices employed in design and engineering. Another significant establishment is the BAU Life Support Center (BAULS), which prepares students and professionals for healthcare and emergency situations. This international training center is certified by the American Heart Association (AHA).

Last but not least, it takes a team to build a great university. Therefore, I would like to thank BAU family, from students to all academic and non-academic staff, for their outstanding contributions, ongoing commitment and persistent dedication throughout the year.



Prof. Amr Galal El-Adawi
President of Beirut Arab University



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1 SEPTEMBER

“MUNICIPALITY MANAGEMENT”
workshop, Tripoli Campus on September 17, 2016

“BAU HOMECOMING EVENT”
Debbieh Campus on September 29, 2016

2 OCTOBER

“TOWARDS THE LEBANESE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS FRAMEWORK IN TEACHING AND LEARNING (LBSF)”
E-TALEB roundtable and workshop, Beirut Campus on October 4, 2016

“PLAY IT HEALTHY” awareness workshop on heart safety, Beirut Campus on October 18, 2016

“MOONLIGHT” exhibition, Beirut Campus on October 20, 2016

“LEBANESE MEDIA: BETWEEN SAFEGUARDING FREEDOM TO SELF-CENSORSHIP”
seminar on media freedom, Beirut Campus on October 27, 2016

3 NOVEMBER

“MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS” campaign, Beirut Campus on November 8, 2016

“THE 57th FOUNDATION DAY”
celebration ceremony, Beirut Campus on November 9, 2016

“JAPANESE CONCERT” in collaboration with the Japanese Embassy, Debbieh Campus on November 25, 2016

“CURRENCIES AND STAMPS” exhibition, Beirut Campus on November 29, 2016

“OPEN DOORS” for students from all schools to learn about all academic programs and experience BAU student life, Beirut and Tripoli Campuses on November 2016

4 DECEMBER

“SEEMING” awareness campaign to combat extremism launched, Beirut Campus on December 2, 2016

“BUSINESS ETIQUETTE” presented by the Image and Etiquette consultant Mrs. Nadine Daher, Tripoli Campus on December 5, 2016

“OPEN DOORS”
Debbieh Campus on December 6-7, 2016

“VISION MODERNE DE LA CULTURE DANS LA SOCIÉTÉ CONTEMPORAINE”
international conference in collaboration with the Swiss Embassy in Lebanon, Beirut Campus on December 8-9, 2016



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5 JANUARY

“INTERNATIONAL ACCREDITATION CELEBRATION”
for the Faculty of Law and Political Science from the
Foundation for International Business Administration
Accreditation (FIBAA) on January 3, 2017

**“THE ACADEMIC AND NON-ACADEMIC STAFF
MEETING”**
with the President, Beirut Campus on January 26, 2017

6 FEBRUARY

“THE FIRST VEX ROBOTICS NORTH LEAGUE”
tournament, Tripoli Campus on February 19, 2016

**“GROUNDWATER GOVERNANCE IN THE ARAB
WORLD: TAKING STOCK AND ADDRESSING THE
CHALLENGES”**
national workshop, Beirut and Bekaa Campuses on
February 21-22, 2017

7 MARCH

“HEALTHY LIFESTYLE FOR HEALTHY KIDNEYS”
scientific activity in celebration of World Kidney Day, Tripoli
Campus on March 7, 2017

“PAKISTANI CONCERT” on the occasion of the 77th
National Day of Pakistan, Tripoli Campus on March 24, 2017

7/1 “THE MEDIA: ITS REALITY AND CHALLENGES”
international conference, Beirut Campus
on March 28-29, 2017

“ZOHRAH” exhibition for honoring the late artist Zohrab,
Beirut Campus on March 30, 2017

7/2 Launching of **“THE DIGITAL FABRICATION LAB”**
Debbieh Campus on March 31, 2017

7/3 Launching of **“BAU LIFE SUPPORT
INTERNATIONAL TRAINING CENTER”**
Beirut Campus on March 31, 2017



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8 APRIL

8|1 “ARAB WOMEN BETWEEN CONSTRAINTS AND LEADERSHIP” Arabic Recitation Contest among the Lebanese Universities for the 10th consecutive year, Beirut Campus on April 4, 2017

8|2 “HEALTH & WELLBEING DAY” scientific day on the occasion of the World Health Day under the patronage of her Excellency Dr. Inaya Ezzeddine, Beirut Campus on April 7, 2017

8|3 “THE 10th JOB FAIR” Beirut Campus on April 11, 2017

8|4 “LIBRARY DAY” Beirut Campus on April 21, 2017

8|5 “TURKISH DAY” organized in cooperation with the Turkish Cultural Center “Beyrut Yunnus Emre Enstitüsü” under the patronage of the Turkish Ambassador of Lebanon his Excellency Mr. Cagaty Erciyes, Beirut Campus on April 28, 2017



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9 MAY

“OVERCOMING OBSTACLES TO ACHIEVE YOUR DREAMS IN LIFE” inspirational seminar given by Dr. Donald Thomas, former NASA astronaut, Debbieh Campus on May 4, 2017

9|1 The Inauguration of “RIFAAT NIMER TRADING ROOM” as part of a cooperation program between First National Bank (FNB) and Beirut Arab University, Beirut Campus on May 5, 2017

“CULTURAL HERITAGE PRESERVATION” cultural conference about social media usage, Tripoli Campus on May 5, 2017

“THE 6th NGO’S FAIR” Beirut Campus on May 5, 2017

“ENGINEERING DAY” Debbieh Campus on May 8-9, 2017

9|2 “MIDDLE EAST SOCIAL MEDIA FESTIVAL” in cooperation with the Right Service Institution, Beirut Campus on May 10-11, 2017

“URBAN HEALTH AND WELLBEING: ADVANCING SYSTEMS, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY” seminar, Debbieh Campus on May 11, 2017

“GIRLS GOT IT” event organized by the Lebanese League for Women in Business (LLWB), Tripoli Campus on May 13, 2017

9|3 “SUCCESS STORY” for the fifth consecutive year hosted Mr. Nizar Choucair, Chairman of Patchi Group, Beirut Campus on May 22, 2017

9|4 “13th BATCH OF MEDICAL SPECIALIZED COMMENCEMENT” Beirut Campus on May 24, 2017



10 JULY

10|1 "4th ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY"
in the presence of Ex-Minister Mr. Jean Obeid, Tripoli Campus on July 4, 2017

10|2 "GRAND ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY"
in the presence of Prime Minister Mr. Saad Hariri and Keynote Speaker Ms. Noura Jounblatt, Debbieh Campus on July 6, 2017

11 AUGUST

The **NON-ACADEMIC STAFF MEETING** with the President, Beirut Campus on August 18, 2017

The **ACADEMIC STAFF MEETING** with the President, Beirut Campus on August 28, 2017



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Teaching and Learning

The 2016-2017 year witnessed various accomplishments in terms of educational development due to Beirut Arab University's continuous endeavors to maintain and achieve high standards of academic excellence. Such accomplishments were embodied in the improvement of the programs, regulations, accreditation, quality assurance, student services, admissions, registration, and academic advising.

To support the implementation of quality assurance at the University, the internal standards were measured through reports which include a summary of faculty strengths, weaknesses and prospects. Site visits were paid to faculties per semester to review documentation and the ongoing educational process, including continuous assessment, and workflow of the quality system at the Faculties.





BAU continues to provide a high level of education through guaranteeing quality and improving various academic programs according to the demands of the job market, up-to-date methods of education, and skills of academic staff.

Concerning the teaching/learning methods used at the faculties, all departments work on strengthening the link between theoretical knowledge and practical applications, while encouraging the students to develop their self-learning skills.

SOCIAL SCIENCES & BUSINESS



AHPGS Site Visit

Faculty of Human Sciences

REFLECTION

The Faculty has exerted continuous efforts and taken strenuous initiatives to pursue its objectives. The Psychology Program was granted unconditional international accreditation for five years until February 2022 by the Accreditation Agency in Health and Social Sciences (AHPGS) after a site visit to the Department on November 10, 2016.

The Faculty also aims to attain accreditation for the Department of Mass Communication and the Department of English Language and Literature from the same body soon.

HIGHLIGHTS

- The Mass Communication Department organized an international conference entitled “**The Media: Its Reality and Challenges**” on March 28-29, 2017, Beirut Campus.
- The Department of French Language and Literature organized an international conference entitled “**Vision Moderne de la Culture dans la Société Contemporaine**” on December 8-9, 2016, Beirut Campus.
- The Faculty has launched **Italian and Spanish language** courses and seeks to offer German courses as part of the University Elective Courses.
- The exhibition for **BBC Project** to introduce students from Mass Communication Department to the mechanisms of Programs, Researches and Reports Preparations at their offices in Beirut on May 8, 2017.



Moot Court

Faculty of Law and Political Science

REFLECTION

The Faculty has earned International Accreditation from the Foundation for International Business Administration Accreditation (FIBAA) for its BA, MA and PhD Programs for five years starting on November 25, 2016 and ending on the Fall Semester of 2021-2022, confirming the similarity of the criteria set by the Faculty academic programs with international criteria.

This accreditation is a clear reflection of the mission of the Faculty, to prepare a caliber of qualified and trained graduated to exercise legal and political work and to keep pace with the legal and political job market requirements.

HIGHLIGHTS

- The Faculty organized the first scientific seminar “**Looks at the New French Contract Law**” with the Participation of Professor Fayez Haj Chahine (Dean of Faculty of Law and Political sciences at USJ) on May 18, 2016.
- The Faculty implements up-to-date teaching methods and, in this respect, the UN Office on Drugs and Crime offered a scholarship to the Human Rights Center concerning the Legal Clinics. This support seeks to combat human trafficking and to raise awareness on issues relevant to slavery, sexual abuse and beggary.
- The Faculty students are trained to **Moot Court** through the design of a virtual criminal or civil lawsuit in which they represent the judiciary committee, the prosecution and defence, as well as the accused. Consequently, they obtain the qualifications, which help them assume the proper position in the Bar, the prosecution office, or the judiciary body.

Faculty of Business Administration

REFLECTION

The Faculty, in keeping with its mission, is dedicated to being one of the leader schools in the region. The Faculty was awarded the FIBAA Quality Seal for its BBA and MBA programs to be the first programs accredited by the Foundation for International Business Administration Accreditation (FIBAA) in Lebanon and the region.



Rifaat El Nemer Trading Room Inauguration

HIGHLIGHTS

- The Faculty, in collaboration with the First National Bank, held an inauguration ceremony for the **Rifaat El Nemer Trading Room** funded by First National Bank (FNB) in the Jamal Abdel Nasser Hall in Beirut on May 9, 2017. The Trading Room will be used to organize workshops to students of BAU and other universities as well as directors and staff in Lebanese banks.
- The Faculty allocated around 130 students in **internship positions** in several institutions across several sectors. These include Banque du Liban (30), Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture of Beirut and Mount Lebanon (20), Bank Med (15), Bank of Beirut (25), First National Bank (15), MTC Touch (2), Union of Arab Banks (10), and Smallville Hotel (10).
- The Faculty, in collaboration with the **Union of Arab Banks**, held two workshops in the fall and spring semesters in Beirut, and another one in Bahrain.
- The Faculty, in collaboration with its stakeholders, organized several workshops on **Women Empowerment** and capacity building for municipalities.
- The Faculty organized, Tripoli Campus:
 - **The Positive Thinking** seminar delivered by expert Mr. Milad Hadchiti on November 2, 2016;
 - **The Accounting Day** on November 14, 2016;
 - **The Marketing Day** which aims to improve students' marketing skills by using relevant marketing tools and concepts.



The Faculty changed its name from the Faculty of “Architectural Engineering” to the “Faculty of Architecture - Design and Built Environment”. This name change more accurately reflects the Faculty diverse programs and activities.

Faculty of Architecture – Design and Built Environment

REFLECTION

The Faculty has successfully achieved great accomplishments in the areas of accreditation and initiatives, making remarkable progress in line with the University goals and mission. This year marks a very important milestone in the history of the Faculty as the RIBA visiting board has granted the Architecture Program a full Part 2 unconditional RIBA recognition, an extended Part 1 recognition, and reposition for five years. Students at the Faculty were encouraged to design and build real-scale hand-made models using the required materials and the Design/Build method, a new teaching method employed in the graduate studies (M.Arch and level three undergraduate studies). The Student-to-student based learning was implemented with senior students holding mini workshops to teach post-production presentations to junior students.



Annual Welcoming Event

HIGHLIGHTS

- The Faculty has established the **Digital Fabrication Laboratory**, the first of its kind in the region. The initiation of this new laboratory came in line with the hosting of an international workshop entitled **Constructing the Future** in Debbieh Campus.
- The Faculty organized the Annual Welcoming Event for its students on October 19-2017, Debbieh Campus.
- A new **Fashion Design Program** was initiated within the Art and Design programs.



London Trip

▪ A series of new courses were introduced at the Faculty as follows:

- Courses introduced for the Interior Design Program:
- INTD 226: **Parametric Design and Digital Fabrication**
 - INTD 225: **Graphic Design**

Courses introduced for the Graphic Design Program:

- GRAD 222: **Digital Mixed Media**
- GRAD 224: **Arabic Typography**

▪ The University hosted its first **TEDx BAU Debbieh** at the Faculty of Architecture - Design and Built Environment.

▪ The Pierre Sadek Foundation, in collaboration with the Academie Lebanaise des Beaux-Arts – ALBA and Universite de Balamand, and in participation with Ecole Superior Estienne - Paris, launched “**Trophee, La Plume de Pierre**” in Omar Houri Auditorium where awards were distributed to outstanding Architecture students who won in the caricatures contest.

▪ 28 students with high GPA, accompanied by three supervisors, were granted the opportunity to go to London, UK to visit two of the most well-known architecture offices in the world: **Foster + Partners Office** and **Zaha Hadid Architects Office** as well as **The Bartlett School of Architecture**, and the University College London. This educational trip aimed at introducing students to the updated design processes and the latest 3D modeling industry, from April 21 to 28, 2017.

▪ 14 Interior Design students and 3 Fashion Design students participated in the International Summer Course hosted by The **NUOVA ACCADEMIA DI BELLE ARTI – NABA** - Milan from June 27 to July 7, 2017.

▪ The Faculty organized the “**Digital Fabrication**” summer school about the new applications of parametric design in the Digital Fabrication Laboratory from July 3 to 10, 2017.

▪ A **Digital Fabrication Laboratory** was established in Basement, Block F, Tripoli Campus on April 2017.

▪ The Faculty organized the opening ceremony for the SouthMed CV Funded Project “**Our City Our Way**” on April 7, 2017, Tripoli Campus.

▪ The Faculty organized an **Art Exhibition** for new Art and Design program students, Tripoli Campus on May 15 to 18, 2017;

▪ The Faculty organized public lectures, Tripoli Campus:

- **International Guest Speaker Mario Lopez** – Sculptor – Portugal by Dr. Mostafa Khalifa on April 5, 2017;
- **International Guest Speaker Cristiano Ferrari** from Italy by Dr. Ali Sedki on March 20, 2017;
- ‘**Urban Connectivity in Contested Spaces and Border Conditions**’ for Faculty of Fine Arts Alexandria- Egypt by Dr. Eslam El Samahi on November 16, 2016.



The Faculties of Engineering & Science promote critical thinking, creativity, innovation, originality, and excellence to graduate high-caliber graduates who are qualified for competition locally, regionally, and globally.

The academic staff has adopted new modern teaching methods and technology such as:

- Simulation and animation of real life environments, equipment and processes;
- In-class discussions, interactive sessions, group work assignments;
- Research-based analysis related to innovations in engineering technology.

ENGINEERING & SCIENCE



Engineering Day

Faculty of Engineering

REFLECTION

The Faculty has always played a vital role in effecting positive change in the community by dedicating the expertise of its staff and students to resolve regional issues.

The Faculty also seeks to obtain international accreditation of its undergraduate programs from the ABET by aligning its educational standards with the established benchmarks. The international accreditation granted by the International Accreditation Authority Accreditation Board to the Engineering and Technology (ABET) for the Telecommunications and Electronics Engineering Program was extended to September 2017.



Construction Materials Laboratory

HIGHLIGHTS

- The Faculty launched this academic year two new engineering programs in response to the needs of the Lebanese and the Middle East job markets:
 - **Chemical Engineering Program**
 - **Biomedical Engineering Program**
- The Faculty developed a new curriculum for all undergraduate Engineering programs. Some of the courses introduced general students' needs such as **Engineering Ethics** (ENGR001) and **Introduction to Engineering** (ENGR002). Other courses aim to develop students' intellectual, practical and communication skills such as Research Methodology and Project Planning and Management.
- The course learning outcomes (five-year program previously) were redefined to a new four-year program and mapped to cover all program outcomes.
- The Faculty initiated several **new Master of Engineering (ME) programs**: Project Management (PM), Maintenance and Planning (MP), Engineering Management (EM), Production and Service Systems, and Oil and Gas Industry.
- The Faculty launched a **Master's program in Traffic Safety**, a collaborative project with the European Union in partnership with European universities (Poland and Spain).

- The Faculty established the **Laboratory of Transport and Traffic**, which will serve the new Master of Engineering program in traffic safety.
- The Faculty organized the **Engineering Day**, Debbieh Campus on May 8-9, 2017.
- The Faculty established an "**Engineering Materials Technology Lab**" at the Mechanical Engineering Department, Tripoli Campus on September 2016.
- The Faculty organized the following lectures, Tripoli Campus:
 - **Digital Transformations Trends** lecture delivered by guest speaker; Professor Samir Masri on May 3, 2017;
 - **Lubricants** lecture presented by Dr. Diana Cursaru from the Petroleum & Gas University of Ploiești (UPG) on May 8, 2017;
 - **Modernization of The Electrical Power System in Lebanon** presented by the advisor to the Minister of Energy, Mr. Tony Marouni, on May 16, 2017.

Faculty of Science

REFLECTION

The Faculty has effected various improvements in programs, teaching, research, extra-curricular and community service activities. The academic staff have implemented teaching methods according to the standards and guidelines set by BAU's Quality Assurance unit.

This year, the Computer Science Program at the Faculty was granted positive feedback concerning accreditation from the International Accreditation Authority Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET).



Open Doors

HIGHLIGHTS

- The curricula of the Biology, Biochemistry, Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry programs were modified according to the feedback given in the exit survey by the students graduating in Spring 2016-2017.
- The Department of Biological Sciences launched two specialized laboratories for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology and Microbiology in the Laboratory Building, Debbieh Campus.
- The Department of Chemistry launched a Specialized Laboratory in Chemical Analysis in the Laboratory Building, Debbieh Campus.
- The Department of Physics launched a Specialized Laboratory in Materials Science in the Laboratory Building, Debbieh Campus.
- The Botany Laboratory at the Department of Biological Sciences was equipped with new facilities, Tripoli Campus.
- The Physics and the Chemistry Departments organized a **Materials Technology** workshop, Beirut Campus on March 16-17, 2017;
- The Department of Mathematics and Computer Science organized a workshop on **Advances in Networking and Cloud Computing**, Debbieh Campus on April 12, 2017.
- The Faculty organized a seminar on "**Breast Cancer Research**" to introduce students to the most recent data, and its distribution in the Lebanese population, Tripoli Campus on November 15, 2016.

JAMAL ABDEL
NASSER AWARD
FOR ACADEMIC
DISTINCTION



Duaa Al Habbal
Faculty of Human Sciences



Rawan Siblini
Faculty of Business
Administration

ISSAM HOURI
AWARD
FOR THE HIGHEST
CGPA IN
ACCOUNTING



Iman Al Khatib
Faculty of Business
Administration



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- 01 Honorary Meeting for Psychology Department Students - Faculty of Human Sciences
- 02 Open Doors - Faculty of Business Administration - Beirut Campus
- 03 Open Doors - Faculty of Law and Political Science - Debbieh Campus
- 04 Visit of the International Accreditation Program - Faculty of Law and Political Science



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JAMAL ABDEL
NASSER AWARD
FOR ACADEMIC
DISTINCTION



Yasser El Masri
Faculty of Architecture



Maha Meskawi
Faculty of Architecture
Design Program



Ahmad Chehab
Faculty of Engineering



Wafaa Bekaai
Faculty of Science



- 01 Inauguration of Digital Fabrication Lab - Faculty of Architecture - Design and Built Environment
- 02 Architecture Students with Lord Foster - London
- 03 Engineering Laboratory - Faculty of Engineering
- 04 Nasa Astronaut Dr. Donald Thomas Visit - Faculty of Science



The Medical faculties at BAU aim at providing the highest quality of education and supporting research innovations brought by new worldwide changes. This aim was clearly shown in the faculties' research collaborations. Under the supervision of qualified academic staff and clinical assistants, students of the medical faculties offer appropriate treatment to patients in their clinics.

MEDICAL SCIENCES

1. Institutional Review Board (IRB)

BAU established its Institutional Review Board (IRB) to review and approve the increasing number of research projects involving humans and animals conducted at/by BAU and the affiliated university hospitals. The IRB reviews all projects in which a university academic staff member or student investigates humans or animals for research purposes prior to the initiation of the project. It is the responsibility of the investigator to seek review of any study involving humans and animals. The IRB is in charge of the institutional responsibility to assure the protection of humans and animals involved in research or related activities. The Ministry of Lebanese Health has officially approved the IRB Committee at Beirut Arab University on January 14, 2016 to act as an official body in granting research approval.

The 2nd version of IRB Book released on August 2017.



2. Interprofessional Education (IPE)

The (IPE) program promotes a sustained and integrated interprofessional education model through developing curricula to provide health care students with core competencies needed and to improve quality of care for patients and the community. It ensures all health care providers work respectfully and collaboratively in a high functioning team-based environment.

- Interprofessional Practice (IPP)

The (IPP) course introduces all medical faculty students to the concept of Interprofessional Collaborative Practice (ICP) that is crucial for fulfilling their future role as healthcare team members and for successfully executing patient-centered care. The course will help students acquire and develop essential competencies such as team building, interprofessional communication, conflict management, problem solving, shared leadership, and ethical responsibilities.

3. Continuing Professional Development (CPD)

The (CPD) course refers to the process of tracking and documenting the skills, knowledge, and experience gained both formally and informally. It is a record of what you experience, learn, apply and manage.

Faculty of Pharmacy

REFLECTION

The Faculty offers high quality education by continuously developing its curricula, and using advanced teaching/learning and assessment strategies as well as producing high quality research. As a pioneer, the Faculty of Pharmacy proposed the first draft of the national competency framework that defines the competencies required for Lebanese pharmacists at entry-to-practice level. In response to the last accreditation visit of the Canadian Council for Accreditation of Pharmacy Programs (CCAPP), the Faculty implemented all the required actions and spared no efforts to obtain a full accreditation status.



HIGHLIGHTS

- The Faculty laid special emphasis on the use of **active learning strategies** in the undergraduate programs. Several intensive workshops on active learning (philosophy, benefits and applications) were conducted as part of the academic development process at the Faculty level.
- A new teaching technology students' response systems (**clickers**) has been used in the ICBL course series. This technology ensures the active involvement of students during the learning process.
- The Faculty executed a **pilot comprehensive qualifying exam** composed of two parts (written and OSCE) for fifth level students; as an attempt to adopt this exam as a graduation requirement in the coming year. Objective Subjective Clinical Assessment OSCE is considered an important and challenging model of performance-based student assessment.
- The Faculty organized and celebrated the **World Pharmacists Day** on September 26, 2016. Staff members of the Pharmacy Practice Department, students and clinical preceptors actively participated in raising awareness of the pharmacists' crucial role in helping patients manage their medication for achieving optimal therapeutic outcomes.
- The Faculty was invited to collaborate with the Lebanese Union of Universities to participate in drafting a **national competency framework** for the Lebanese pharmacists at entry-to-practice level.

Faculty of Medicine

REFLECTION

The Faculty always seeks to provide excellence in education and to improve its programs. Therefore, the international program benchmarks of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) are adopted to ensure the continuum between undergraduate and graduate learning. The Faculty also completed a “Self-Evaluation Study” that describes the implementation of the mission of the Faculty through the systemic execution of a well-designed strategic plan by a team of dedicated staff at all levels. This study is written and organized according to the framework provided by the Basic Medical Education Global Standards of the World Federation for Medical Education (WFME) for Quality Improvement that comprises 106 basic standards and 90 quality development standards included within nine areas. A successful preliminary program accreditation visit was paid on May 3-5, 2017 to prepare the Faculty to attain program accreditation soon.



World AIDS Day

HIGHLIGHTS

- The American Heart Association (AHA) certified BAU as a center that provides Basic Life Support (BLS). Two members of the Faculty of Medicine became certified instructors of the BLS course in November 2016.
- The International Foundations of Medicine Examinations (IFOM) have been made compulsory since the academic year 2016-2017. All students have to take the IFOM I (Basic Medical Sciences) at the end of phase I and the IFOM II (Clinical Sciences) at the end of phase 3.
- A large part of the curriculum is now delivered as “**Flipped Class**”; 30-35 students/session. This reversal of traditional teaching allow students to gain exposure to new material outside of class.



Open Doors

- A **Basic Life Support (BLS) course** is now introduced to all medical students before their graduation. The BLS course aims to teach how to perform high quality CPR on victims of all age groups. This course also tackles the issue of choking of infants, children, and adults.
- **Problem Based Learning (PBL)** is implemented in modules at the Faculty among other learning modalities.
- **Team Based Learning (TBL)** is employed in some modules. Students (approximately 30) go through the typical “pre-class preparations” which are based on the learning objectives previously given to them.
- **Simulation Based Learning** was introduced to undergraduate and graduates students. It provides patient safety tools of medical education by teaching clinical skills using various simulations to cultivate the students’ creativity and practical skills of students.
- **Research Based Education** was introduced to ensure that students and trainees achieve knowledge in medical research. The Faculty integrated research education and activities in its curriculum. Research education now starts as early as the first semester; as students are introduced to the concept and importance of medical research.
- The Faculty organized the following campaigns:
 - An **Influenza Flu Vaccine Campaign** was held in collaboration with Sanofi Aventis Company in Beirut Campus on Friday 21, October 2016. Flu vaccine shots were given to BAU staff and students.
 - A **School Health Campaign** was conducted with the collaboration of Makassed Healthcare Bureau. More than 1200 students received comprehensive healthcare services in their schools. The campaign was held in Beirut Campus on January 12, 2017.
- Medical students celebrated **World AIDS Day (WAD)** by preparing a local event about HIV, Beirut Campus on November 29, 2016.

Faculty of Dentistry

REFLECTION

The Faculty has established continuous collaborations with faculties of dentistry in Lebanon and Arab countries through the Union of Arab Universities and other associations.

At the Faculty level, preclinical and clinical facilities undergo continuous maintenance, refurbishment and remodeling, and assist in the establishment of a paperless environment.

At the international level, the Faculty received a follow-up-focus school visit from the Association for Dental Education in Europe (ADEE) in November 2016. This peer review site visit (Year 3, LEADER School Program) was based on the last Self-Assessment Study 2016 (Year 2 update Self-Assessment Report). The ADEE's final report recognized the Faculty as a leader School.



ADEE Site Visit

HIGHLIGHTS

- Granting **fellowships** in collaboration with the Faculty of Medicine, Biomedical and Dentistry Department, University of Genoa-Italy.
- Establishing of the **Department of Public Health and Behavioural Sciences**.
- Applying **new curricula** in the first, second, third, and fourth years.
- Offering a **new university elective course** for medical faculty students in the Spring Semester of 2017; PHAR 011 - Introduction to Interprofessional Collaborative Practice.
- Launching the **clinical training** for undergraduate students at the third level instead of the fourth.
- Adopting the **Four Handed Dentistry Method** through which students are introduced to some specialties at the Faculty clinics based on the recommendations of the ADEE, which helps students experience modern methods used in European countries.
- Getting certification for the **Endodontics Specialty** at the Faculty by the Ministry of Public Health under no. 1/623 with a two-year-term study period.
- Expanding Faculty **Specialty Clinics** by adding 13 dental units for graduate studies to accommodate more students.
- Providing **medical services** to the community through the accommodation of a large number of patients and the treatment of about **26,000** cases between September 2016 and June 2017.



AHPGS Site Visit

Faculty of Health Sciences

REFLECTION

The Faculty witnessed great development and expansion during the academic year 2016-2017. A number of accomplishments that further strengthen the identity of the Faculty to clearly convey its vision were achieved. One of these significant accomplishments was the attainment of an accreditation by the World Confederation for Physical Therapy (WCPT) for the Physical Therapy Program. Additionally, the German Accreditation Agency (AHPGS) performed an on-site visit for the three programs at the Faculty.

HIGHLIGHTS

- **Beirut Arab University Life Support International Training Center (BAULS)** was established in March 2017. It is an integral part of the Faculty of Health Sciences and the Faculty of Medicine. It provides internationally accredited health training for BAU students, staff members, and local community. All courses offered are accredited by the American Heart Association (AHA) and run in accordance to its Guidelines. Current courses offered are Basic Life Support, First Aid, and Heart Savior Provider courses.
- **The Cognitive Behavioral Therapy Program** for management of obesity was initiated during fall 2016-2017.
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- New teaching strategies have been implemented in courses for the first time to promote active learning and foster better interpersonal communication skills such as **Team Based Learning (TBL)** and **Problem Based Learning (PBL)**.

▪ **The Nursing Program** in Tripoli Campus was introduced in fall 2016-2017. To this end, a laboratory and a nutrition clinic were established, aiming at providing community health services through evidence-based medical nutrition therapy and nutritional counseling.

▪ The Department of Physical Therapy celebrated **the International Day of Persons with Disabilities** on December 1, 2016 in collaboration with Moussawat organization and the presence of Islamic Relief Lebanon.

▪ The Nutrition and Dietetics Department organized the following activities, Tripoli Campus:

- **“Objective, Assessment, Plan”**, training session that aimed at updating students with the most recent available nutrition screening, diagnostic and nutrition counseling tools available in the market together with their applications in clinical practice.
- **“Let’s Try Health Recipes”**, activity which aimed to raise the interest in healthy foods and change the false concept of “Healthy is not Tasty” on October 25, 2016.
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- A **Master program in Clinical Pharmacy and Pharmacy Practice** was approved by the Ministry of Higher Education.
- A **Doctorate in Business Administration (DBA)** was launched after having recognition from the Ministry of Education and Higher Education (MEHE) on March 2017 and received membership of the Executive DBA Council (EDBAC) in the United States in May 2017.
- The University supported the **mobility of seven students** to European universities under the PEACE project, and promoted seven exchange programs.

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- **Dr. Mohamed Hegazi** from the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences was granted a 20-year patent from the Lebanese Ministry of Economy and Trade for his invention “**A Pharmaceutical Preparation from Lebanese Plant Extract as Potential Natural Opioid Analgesic and Remedy for Treatment of Opioid Dependence**”.
- The Faculty of Science Participated in an **Academic Scientific Research workshop** organized by the Ministry of Economy and Trade on July 14-15, 2017.
- In the perspective of promoting and developing the scientific research in the legal and political fields, the Faculty of Law and Political Science **re-launched the Journal of Legal Studies** a semi-yearly refereed Journal.
- The Faculty of Architecture – Design and Built Environment established **International Review Board for Architecture and Planning Journal**.
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- The Faculty of Health Sciences organized a one-day workshop entitled “**An Evidence-based Practical Approach for Sports, Exercise and Weight Management**” in Tripoli Campus on November 26, 2016;
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- The Faculty of Science organized a seminar about the **Steps in Scientific Research** to elaborate on the students’ vision in the field of research. The seminar was presented by Dr. Thaer Alwan from the University of Al-Jinan, Tripoli Campus on November 8, 2016.
- The Faculty of Science organized a workshop on New Trends in Cancer Research, Debbieh Campus on November 8, 2016.
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- The Faculty of Science organized a seminar about **Research on Lebanese Labneh** presented by Dr. Khaled Omari, Tripoli Campus on November 1, 2016.
- The Faculty of Business Administration participated in the inauguration of the **Regional Development Investment Fund in Iklm El Kharroub Region**, Debbieh Campus on October 27, 2016. The Fund aims at supporting small and medium projects in that region.
- The Faculty of Health Sciences organized a workshop entitled “**Analysis and Management of Lumbar Spine and Pelvic Pain Maitland Techniques**” on October 12-13, 2016.
- The Faculty of Health Sciences hosted Dr. Marwan El Ghoch, a European boarded Physician in Clinical Nutrition and senior investigator in the field of **Obesity and Eating Disorders** from Villa Garda Hospital – Italy on October 6, 2016.
- The **Research Report** for academic staff of the ten faculties was issued to include 151 research subjects.
- A “**The Litany River - from Upstream to Downstream - Vision and Solutions**” workshop was organized, Bekaa Campus, under the patronage of the Minister of Environment, Mr. Mohamad



Machnouk on September 24, 2016. The workshop tackled a significant environmental issue, the pollution of the Litany River. The issue was discussed and recommendations for treatment were proposed.

- “**How to Write a Successful Research Proposal**” and “**Practical Tips in Biostatistics**” research-related workshops were organized. The workshops were given by Dr. Mohamad Tannir, Director of Clinical and Applied Research at King Fahed Medical City.
- A “**CNRS Info Session**” was delivered to the academic staff members at the three Campuses. It aimed to encourage them to apply to the CNRS research grant program after discussing acceptance and opportunities of grants.
- Research project is a mandatory for graduation at the Faculty of Medicine. Residents are encouraged to be engaged in research project as early as they start their residency program. The faculty and affiliated hospitals ensure that residents had the knowledge for research by a series of workshops and seminars.
- The Nutrition and Dietetics Department at the Faculty of Health Sciences organized a workshop entitled “**Pitfalls in Health Assessment**” for nurses in North Lebanon presented by Dr. Nesrine Ezzat in Tripoli Campus.
- The **online conferences and publication forms** were activated so the academic staff members can include the conferences they attended or participated in and the research they accomplished during the academic year 2016-2017. This enables BAU to obtain detailed databases of conferences and scientific research.



A Patent for Dr. Mohamed Hegazi Invention



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GRANTS

- Dr. Nadia Iskandarani from the Faculty of Human Sciences received a grant: “**Culture et Problématique de la Promotion Sociale dans l’œuvre de Annie Ernaux**” from L’Agence Universitaire de la Francophonie.
- Dr. Hamza Issa from the Faculty of Engineering received a grant: “**Compact Low-pass Stepped Impedance Filters with Enhanced out of Band Response**” from Coopérations et Mobilités Internationales Rhône-Alpes-CMIRA.
- Dr. Jamila Borjac from the Faculty of Science received two grants: “**Hazardous Effect of Pollutants in Deir Kanoun Dump on the Syrian Refugees and the Lebanese People**” from the Partnerships for Enhanced Engagement in Research (PEER) Program cycle 5, and “**Genetic Predisposition to Endometriosis in Lebanese Female**” from CNRS, Lebanon.
- Dr. Issam Shaarani from the Faculty of Medicine received a grant: “**Knowledge, Attitudes and Practices of Syrian Refugees towards Family Planning**” from UNFPA.
- Dr. Nada EL Darra obtained a CNRS’ grant entitled “**Multimycotoxin Occurrence in Lebanese and Italian Spices and Herbs**” for 2017-2018 for a collaborative research between BAU and the Institute of Sciences of Food Production (ISPA, CNR), Italy.
- Three **Erasmus scholarships** were presented to assist the academic staff at the Faculty of Engineering in performing research (France and UK) and engaging in teaching, Spain.
- Ms. Jana Wattar, a student from the Faculty of Pharmacy received a **CNRS Scholarships**.
- Ms. Kholoud Habanjar, a student from the Faculty of Science received a **CNRS Scholarship**.

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Leadership and Governance

In line with its strategy, BAU seeks to improve its leadership competencies and skills in communication, persuasion and professionalism.

The leadership body is dedicated to guide the University's strategic plan, set academic and non-academic policies and standards, and oversee the university's finances and operations.

Besides, the administrative body is responsible for the support and supervision of the University and operates in accordance with BAU's regulations.



Beirut Arab University's leadership body is keen on ensuring adequate management and resource allocation through its Board of Trustees, University Council, and University Directors.

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BAU is seriously committed to maintain overall quality in its administrative body. The University’s effort to achieve quality is aligned with an extraordinary level of transparency and international self-evaluation. BAU has also established clear standards and indicators for measuring staff performance and efficiency and has performed organizational studies to develop the administrative system and to empower non-academic staff.

ADMINISTRATIVE PERFORMANCE

REFLECTION

As a mean of supporting the University strategy, a series of procedures was followed to improve administrative operations. These procedures covered updating the systems for Compensation and Benefits, Government Relations, Training, and Recruitment. A new performance management System was also created in order to manage departmental and individual objectives on one hand, and employee-related competencies on the other. The system sets clear weights (Key Performance Indicators) to assure the satisfactory implementation of objectives. One of the 2016-2017 academic year’s top-of-the-list priorities was the enhancement of BAU’s organization and structure. A series of modules on the HR solution Vanilla was launched, mainly the personnel module that includes the employees’ personal details along with their job descriptions and job titles, in addition to online job application and a new internal recruitment process.

HIGHLIGHTS

- New job titles for the non-academic staff were announced and the process of reviewing/rewriting job descriptions was launched at all departments. This process helps in preparing smart reports for training and performance management.
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 - Motivation Workshop presented by Mira-Cle/ Mr. Naim El Zein on August 28-29, 2017 attended by staff members from various departments and faculties.
 - Competency-based Leadership – People Management workshop presented by Routes BTC – RDC/ Mr. Fouad Zein on August 10-11, 2017 attended by the University directors;
 - Customer Service workshop presented by Management Mix on August 9-11, 2017 attended by staff members from various departments;
 - LifeRay Training presented by Ellucian Middle East User Group on July 5-13, 2017 attended by members of the IT Department;
 - Windows Server Security training presented by Automation and Computer on July 2017 attended by members of the IT Department;
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 - Digital Economics and Smart Cities Conference organized by Data and Investment Consult - Lebanon on May 23, 2017 attended by members of the IT Department;
 - Platform Modernization with Oracle Engineering System training presented by CIS on May 17, 2017 attended by members of the IT Department;



Communication Skills Workshop

- **Strategic Management** workshop presented by Prof. Ahmad Seleim on May 16-18, 2017 attended by the University directors;
- **Transform to a Hybrid Infrastructure** workshop presented by CIS on May 15, 2017 attended by members of the IT Department;
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- **Project Management/English Skills for Professional Assistants** at the Lebanese American University on May 2017 attended by members of the IT Department;
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- **Time Management** workshop provided by INSCA/ Ms. Amy DeAvegno on April 25, 2017 attended by staff members from various departments;
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- **Kuwait Legal Faculty** contest organized by Kuwait Legal Faculty on April 1-5, 2017 attended by members of the Human Rights Center;
- **Lebanese Taxation** lecture provided by Ongoing Concept on March 27-30, 2017 attended by members of the Legal Affairs Office;
- **Communication Skills for Deans and Directors** provided by INSCA/ Ms. Amy DeAvegno on March 8-9, 2017 attended by the University deans and directors;

- **LIDS Consortium** at the Holy Spirit University of Kaslik on March 7, 2017 attended by members of the Libraries Department;
- **Clinical Sports Nutrition** course provided by the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics on December 17, 2017 attended by members of the Faculty of Health Sciences;
- **The Annual Conference Fakker 17** provided by Fakker on December 11-15, 2016 attended by the staff of the Human Rights Center;
- **Anti-Cybercrime Forum** organized by Al-Iktissad Wal-Aamal on November 28, 2016 attended by members of the IT Department;
- **IAU 15th General Conference** in Thailand on November 13-16, 2016 attended by members of the Public Relations Department;
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- **The Arab Forum for Environment and Development** organized by the American University of Beirut on November 10-11, 2016 attended by members of the Faculty of Science;
- **Ellucian World Tour Conference** in Dubai on November 1-4, 2016 attended by members of the IT Department;

- **Diploma in Fitness Training – Fitness Instructor** organized by International Federation of Biosafety Associations (IFBA) on October 31, 2016 and January 31, 2017 attended by members of the Student Activities Department;
- **Sports, Exercise, and Weight Management** organized by the Center for Continuing and Professional Education on November 26, 2016 attended by members of the Student Activities Department;
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- **Dental Manufacturing Technology** provided by Jordanian Dental Association on November 8-11, 2016 attended by members of the Faculty of Dentistry;
- **Cataloguing Conference** at the Holy Spirit University of Kaslik on October 26, 2016 attended by members of the Libraries Department;
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- **NREN BGP** workshop presented by NREN, Jordan on September 4-9, 2016 attended by members of the IT Department;



Motivation Workshop



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- **Ph.D. and M.A. programs in Political Science** were relaunched with the aim of advancing graduate studies to contribute to the development of society and the qualification of researchers.
- A **Master program in Creative Sustainability** and another in **Fashion Design program** were initiated.
- A **Master program in Clinical Pharmacy and Pharmacy Practice** was approved by the Ministry of Higher Education.
- A **Doctorate in Business Administration (DBA)** was launched after having recognition from the Ministry of Education and Higher Education (MEHE) on March 2017 and received membership of the Executive DBA Council (EDBAC) in the United States in May 2017.
- The University supported the **mobility of seven students** to European universities under the PEACE project, and promoted seven exchange programs.

RESEARCH

HIGHLIGHTS

- **Dr. Mohamed Hegazi** from the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences was granted a 20-year patent from the Lebanese Ministry of Economy and Trade for his invention “**A Pharmaceutical Preparation from Lebanese Plant Extract as Potential Natural Opioid Analgesic and Remedy for Treatment of Opioid Dependence**”.
- The Faculty of Science Participated in an **Academic Scientific Research workshop** organized by the Ministry of Economy and Trade on July 14-15, 2017.
- In the perspective of promoting and developing the scientific research in the legal and political fields, the Faculty of Law and Political Science **re-launched the Journal of Legal Studies** a semi-yearly refereed Journal.
- The Faculty of Architecture – Design and Built Environment established **International Review Board for Architecture and Planning Journal**.
- A **Materials Technology workshop** was organized by the Physics and Chemistry Departments at the Faculty of Science, Beirut Campus on March 16-17, 2017.
- The Faculty of Pharmacy organized a quality assurance-based workshop entitled “**How to Write a Self-study Report**” in collaboration with the Francophone Agency and the Lebanese Ministry of Higher Education on February 22, 2017.
- A “**Groundwater Governance in the Arab World: Taking Stock and Addressing the Challenges**” national workshop was held, Beirut and Bekaa Campuses on February 21-22, 2017.

- A “**Systematic Review**” workshop was moderated by Mrs. Aida Farha, the Medical Information Specialist from AUB, Beirut Campus on February 17-18, 2017.
- BAU awarded some **scholarships** to Faculty of Engineering graduate students. The number of scholarships exceeded 10 for Masters and PhD programs in different specialties taking into account the needs of the Lebanese market in general and the University in specific.
- A joint workshop was organized between the Faculty of Science and the “Ecole Doctorale des Sciences et de Technologie” at the Lebanese University, Debbieh Campus on January 24, 2017.
- The Faculty of Medicine organized a workshop entitled “**Graduate Medical Education System**” presented by Dr. Mohamad Hourri, Dr. Hala Ahmadieh, Dr Issam Shaarani and Dr. Salah Mala in Tripoli Campus on January 17, 2017.
- The Faculty of Health Sciences organized a one-day workshop entitled “**An Evidence-based Practical Approach for Sports, Exercise and Weight Management**” in Tripoli Campus on November 26, 2016;
- A “**Breast Cancer Research**” seminar was organized by the Faculty of Science and presented by Dr. Samar Hamwi at the Lebanese University in Tripoli Campus on November 15, 2016.
- The Faculty of Science organized a seminar about the **Steps in Scientific Research** to elaborate on the students’ vision in the field of research. The seminar was presented by Dr. Thaer Alwan from the University of Al-Jinan, Tripoli Campus on November 8, 2016.
- The Faculty of Science organized a workshop on New Trends in Cancer Research, Debbieh Campus on November 8, 2016.
- The Faculty of Health Sciences organized a lecture entitled **Management of Phantom Pain Using Mirror Therapy** in collaboration with the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) on November 1, 2016.
- The Faculty of Science organized a seminar about **Research on Lebanese Labneh** presented by Dr. Khaled Omari, Tripoli Campus on November 1, 2016.
- The Faculty of Business Administration participated in the inauguration of the **Regional Development Investment Fund in Iklm El Kharroub Region**, Debbieh Campus on October 27, 2016. The Fund aims at supporting small and medium projects in that region.
- The Faculty of Health Sciences organized a workshop entitled “**Analysis and Management of Lumbar Spine and Pelvic Pain Maitland Techniques**” on October 12-13, 2016.
- The Faculty of Health Sciences hosted Dr. Marwan El Ghoch, a European boarded Physician in Clinical Nutrition and senior investigator in the field of **Obesity and Eating Disorders** from Villa Garda Hospital – Italy on October 6, 2016.
- The **Research Report** for academic staff of the ten faculties was issued to include 151 research subjects.
- A “**The Litany River - from Upstream to Downstream - Vision and Solutions**” workshop was organized, Bekaa Campus, under the patronage of the Minister of Environment, Mr. Mohamad



Machnouk on September 24, 2016. The workshop tackled a significant environmental issue, the pollution of the Litany River. The issue was discussed and recommendations for treatment were proposed.

- “**How to Write a Successful Research Proposal**” and “**Practical Tips in Biostatistics**” research-related workshops were organized. The workshops were given by Dr. Mohamad Tannir, Director of Clinical and Applied Research at King Fahed Medical City.
- A “**CNRS Info Session**” was delivered to the academic staff members at the three Campuses. It aimed to encourage them to apply to the CNRS research grant program after discussing acceptance and opportunities of grants.
- Research project is a mandatory for graduation at the Faculty of Medicine. Residents are encouraged to be engaged in research project as early as they start their residency program. The faculty and affiliated hospitals ensure that residents had the knowledge for research by a series of workshops and seminars.
- The Nutrition and Dietetics Department at the Faculty of Health Sciences organized a workshop entitled “**Pitfalls in Health Assessment**” for nurses in North Lebanon presented by Dr. Nesrine Ezzat in Tripoli Campus.
- The **online conferences and publication forms** were activated so the academic staff members can include the conferences they attended or participated in and the research they accomplished during the academic year 2016-2017. This enables BAU to obtain detailed databases of conferences and scientific research.



GRANTS

- Dr. Nadia Iskandarani from the Faculty of Human Sciences received a grant: “**Culture et Problématique de la Promotion Sociale dans l’œuvre de Annie Ernaux**” from L’Agence Universitaire de la Francophonie.
- Dr. Hamza Issa from the Faculty of Engineering received a grant: “**Compact Low-pass Stepped Impedance Filters with Enhanced out of Band Response**” from Coopérations et Mobilités Internationales Rhône-Alpes-CMIRA.
- Dr. Jamila Borjac from the Faculty of Science received two grants: “**Hazardous Effect of Pollutants in Deir Kanoun Dump on the Syrian Refugees and the Lebanese People**” from the Partnerships for Enhanced Engagement in Research (PEER) Program cycle 5, and “**Genetic Predisposition to Endometriosis in Lebanese Female**” from CNRS, Lebanon.
- Dr. Issam Shaarani from the Faculty of Medicine received a grant: “**Knowledge, Attitudes and Practices of Syrian Refugees towards Family Planning**” from UNFPA.
- Dr. Nada EL Darra obtained a CNRS’ grant entitled “**Multimycotoxin Occurrence in Lebanese and Italian Spices and Herbs**” for 2017-2018 for a collaborative research between BAU and the Institute of Sciences of Food Production (ISPA, CNR), Italy.
- Three **Erasmus scholarships** were presented to assist the academic staff at the Faculty of Engineering in performing research (France and UK) and engaging in teaching, Spain.
- Ms. Jana Wattar, a student from the Faculty of Pharmacy received a **CNRS Scholarships**.
- Ms. Kholoud Habanjar, a student from the Faculty of Science received a **CNRS Scholarship**.



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Dr. Nada El Darra



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- 02 Fulbright Foreign Student Scholarship Program - Beirut Campus
- 03 DAAD Scholarship Visit - Beirut Campus
- 04 Litani River from Upstream to Downstream - Vision and Solutions - Bekaa Campus



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Leadership and Governance

In line with its strategy, BAU seeks to improve its leadership competencies and skills in communication, persuasion and professionalism.

The leadership body is dedicated to guide the University's strategic plan, set academic and non-academic policies and standards, and oversee the university's finances and operations.

Besides, the administrative body is responsible for the support and supervision of the University and operates in accordance with BAU's regulations.



Beirut Arab University's leadership body is keen on ensuring adequate management and resource allocation through its Board of Trustees, University Council, and University Directors.

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BAU is seriously committed to maintain overall quality in its administrative body. The University’s effort to achieve quality is aligned with an extraordinary level of transparency and international self-evaluation. BAU has also established clear standards and indicators for measuring staff performance and efficiency and has performed organizational studies to develop the administrative system and to empower non-academic staff.

ADMINISTRATIVE PERFORMANCE

REFLECTION

As a mean of supporting the University strategy, a series of procedures was followed to improve administrative operations. These procedures covered updating the systems for Compensation and Benefits, Government Relations, Training, and Recruitment. A new performance management System was also created in order to manage departmental and individual objectives on one hand, and employee-related competencies on the other. The system sets clear weights (Key Performance Indicators) to assure the satisfactory implementation of objectives. One of the 2016-2017 academic year’s top-of-the-list priorities was the enhancement of BAU’s organization and structure. A series of modules on the HR solution Vanilla was launched, mainly the personnel module that includes the employees’ personal details along with their job descriptions and job titles, in addition to online job application and a new internal recruitment process.

HIGHLIGHTS

- New job titles for the non-academic staff were announced and the process of reviewing/rewriting job descriptions was launched at all departments. This process helps in preparing smart reports for training and performance management.
- Two internal applications useful for data entry and information monitoring system (BAU-Alumni and BAU-Research) were implemented.
- BAU E-newsletter was launched as an official source of news and University events. The first issue was published in fall, and it will be released twice a year.
- The University released its new website with new features to provide a clear and unique image for BAU. The new website was designed to be more responsive and mobile-friendly.
- Digital publication has been gradually put into effect to reduce paper consumption, and data uploaded is on the new website platform.
- The University launched a new perspective in non-scientific publications (The Guide), a comprehensive folder targeted at University guests and stakeholders.
- The University organized a series of training sessions & workshops and participated in different training sessions & conferences to improve the skills of non - academic staff to assure the University’s shift into a talent-driven institution, as following:
 - Leadership Workshop presented by Arab Academy for Science, Technology, and Maritime Transport / Dr. Hanan Gouda on January 9, 2017 attended by University directors.
 - Motivation Workshop presented by Mira-Cle/ Mr. Naim El Zein on August 28-29, 2017 attended by staff members from various departments and faculties.
 - Competency-based Leadership – People Management workshop presented by Routes BTC – RDC/ Mr. Fouad Zein on August 10-11, 2017 attended by the University directors;
 - Customer Service workshop presented by Management Mix on August 9-11, 2017 attended by staff members from various departments;
 - LifeRay Training presented by Ellucian Middle East User Group on July 5-13, 2017 attended by members of the IT Department;
 - Windows Server Security training presented by Automation and Computer on July 2017 attended by members of the IT Department;
 - Active Networks training presented by New Horizons - Lebanon on May 23-24, 2017 attended by members of the IT Department;
 - Digital Economics and Smart Cities Conference organized by Data and Investment Consult - Lebanon on May 23, 2017 attended by members of the IT Department;
 - Platform Modernization with Oracle Engineering System training presented by CIS on May 17, 2017 attended by members of the IT Department;



Communication Skills Workshop

- **Strategic Management** workshop presented by Prof. Ahmad Seleim on May 16-18, 2017 attended by the University directors;
- **Transform to a Hybrid Infrastructure** workshop presented by CIS on May 15, 2017 attended by members of the IT Department;
- **Arabic Economic Forum** organized by the International Finance Corporation (IFC) on May 2, 2017 attended by members of the Public Relations Department;
- **Project Management/English Skills for Professional Assistants** at the Lebanese American University on May 2017 attended by members of the IT Department;
- **Communication Skills** workshop presented by INSCA/ Ms. Amy DeAvegno on April 27, 2017 attended by staff members from the various departments;
- **Time Management** workshop provided by INSCA/ Ms. Amy DeAvegno on April 25, 2017 attended by staff members from various departments;
- **Electronic Acquisition** workshop at the Lebanese American University on April 24, 2017 attended by members of the Libraries Department;
- **Erasmus Program** at Valencia University in Spain on April 23-29, 2017 attended by members of the Registration Department;
- **Kuwait Legal Faculty** contest organized by Kuwait Legal Faculty on April 1-5, 2017 attended by members of the Human Rights Center;
- **Lebanese Taxation** lecture provided by Ongoing Concept on March 27-30, 2017 attended by members of the Legal Affairs Office;
- **Communication Skills for Deans and Directors** provided by INSCA/ Ms. Amy DeAvegno on March 8-9, 2017 attended by the University deans and directors;

- **LIDS Consortium** at the Holy Spirit University of Kaslik on March 7, 2017 attended by members of the Libraries Department;
- **Clinical Sports Nutrition** course provided by the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics on December 17, 2017 attended by members of the Faculty of Health Sciences;
- **The Annual Conference Fakker 17** provided by Fakker on December 11-15, 2016 attended by the staff of the Human Rights Center;
- **Anti-Cybercrime Forum** organized by Al-Iktissad Wal-Aamal on November 28, 2016 attended by members of the IT Department;
- **IAU 15th General Conference** in Thailand on November 13-16, 2016 attended by members of the Public Relations Department;
- **AHA** training provided by Regional Life Support Learning Center (RLSTC) on November 12-13, 2016 attended by members of the Faculty of Health Sciences;
- **Human Rights** training in Germany on November 7-12, 2016 attended by staff members from various departments;
- **Consortium Meeting** at the University of Balamand on November 11, 2016 attended by members of the Libraries Department;
- **The Arab Forum for Environment and Development** organized by the American University of Beirut on November 10-11, 2016 attended by members of the Faculty of Science;
- **Ellucian World Tour Conference** in Dubai on November 1-4, 2016 attended by members of the IT Department;

- **Diploma in Fitness Training – Fitness Instructor** organized by International Federation of Biosafety Associations (IFBA) on October 31, 2016 and January 31, 2017 attended by members of the Student Activities Department;
- **Sports, Exercise, and Weight Management** organized by the Center for Continuing and Professional Education on November 26, 2016 attended by members of the Student Activities Department;
- **SPSS** workshop organized by Center for Continuing and Professional Education on November 17-19, 2016 attended by a staff member of the Technical Office;
- **Dental Manufacturing Technology** provided by Jordanian Dental Association on November 8-11, 2016 attended by members of the Faculty of Dentistry;
- **Cataloguing Conference** at the Holy Spirit University of Kaslik on October 26, 2016 attended by members of the Libraries Department;
- **Document and Archive Management** workshop on October 19-26, 2016 attended by staff members from various departments and faculties;
- **Najah Conference** held in Abu Dhabi on October 25-27, 2016 attended by the members of the Admission Department;
- **Erasmus Program** at Valencia University in Spain on October 18-22, 2016 attended by members of the Registration Department;
- **Cash Flow Essentials** presented by PwC on September 15, 2016 attended by members of the Finance Affairs Department;
- **Human Rights, Facing History and Transitional Justice** conference organized by Kreisau-Initiative on September 3-11, 2016 attended by a staff member of the Human Rights Center;
- **NREN BGP** workshop presented by NREN, Jordan on September 4-9, 2016 attended by members of the IT Department;



Motivation Workshop



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- 01 Competency-based Leadership Workshop - Beirut Campus
- 02 Communications Skills Workshop for Deans and Directors - Faraya
- 03 Excellence in Customer Service Workshop - Beirut Campus
- 04 Leadership Workshop - Beirut Campus



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University Life

At Beirut Arab University, university life helps students shape up their characters and interact positively with the community. To this end, students and BAU staff are involved in the various scientific, social, artistic, and sports activities inside and outside the university.

University life is also dedicated to fostering a student community that supports integrity, well-being, and good behavior consistent with the University policy and strategy.





BAU promotes an environment in which teaching and research excellence are nationally and internationally recognized, and regularly offers scholarships and rewards, honoring expertise and competence.

Academic staff and students receive recognition, rewards, and honors for their outstanding work and participation in different fields.

AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS



Issam Houry Football Tournament

Awards

- Prof. Rajaa Fakhouri and Prof. Hania Nakkash were honoured as one of the “Women Leaders in Research” in an event organized by the National Initiative for the Centennial of Greater Lebanon, “Lebanon, the State of Knowledge”. This initiative was launched by Mrs. Bahia Hariri in memory of the declaration of the State of Greater Lebanon on September 1, 2016.
- Prof. Ramadan Awad, Dean of Faculty of Science, won a prize from IOP Science Publishing Group as well as a free access to all IOP published articles for six months.
- Prof. Abdalla El-lakany, Dean of Faculty of Pharmacy, was granted an award for the recognition of his endeavours in advancing pharmacy education in the Arab region during the 6th Kuwait International Pharmacy Conference (KIPC) on February 9-11, 2017.
- Dr. Myriam Younes, Assistant Dean of Faculty of Law and Political Science was elected a member in the Executive Committee to the National Commission for Lebanese Women in June 2017.
- Prof. Maha Aboul-Ela, Head of the Pharmaceutical Sciences Department, was awarded a certificate of recognition for her significant contribution at the international conference on “Pharmaceutical Development and Technology” held in Dubai on April 24-26, 2017.
- Dr. Abdallah Nassereddine, Assistant Dean of Faculty of Business Administration and Dr. Amal Dabbous obtained the Best Paper Award for their paper entitled “**The Impact of ICT on Financial Inclusion: Evidence from Arab Countries**” at the International Conference of Information and Communication Technologies in Organization and Society ICTO 2017, held in Paris.

- Dr. Issam Shaarani, a Senior Lecturer at the Faculty of Medicine, was appointed the Chairperson of the WONCA Working Party on Ethical Issues for two years. WONCA is the world organization of national colleges, academies and academic associations of general practitioners/family physicians.
- Ms. Racha Attiyeh, a student from the Faculty of engineering at Tripoli Campus won the Arabic Recitation Contest entitled “Arab Women Between Constraints and Leadership” held at Beirut Campus on April 4, 2017.
- Mr. Mohamad Farhat, an engineering student obtained an award from LIRA Funding Awards on his project Above Knee Amputation Leg on May 4, 2017.
- Mr. John Pierre Fakhoury, a pharmacy student, was selected “Member of the Month” by the Lebanese Pharmacy Students’ Association (LPSA) on April 2017 and awarded a certificate of recognition for his outstanding performance, service, hard work and dedication.
- Mr. Mohamad Chalhoub, a graduate student received first prize poster awards during the Lebanese Orthodontics Society, 15th Annual Meeting on March 24-25, 2017.
- 6 posters presented by 3 Ph.D. students (Ms. Hanan Talal Rahal, Ms. Khulud Habanjar, and Mr. Zouheir Bitar), in addition to 3 Materials Science students (Mr. Ali Srouf, Ms. Iman Kazah, and Ms. Doha Moussa) were awarded the Best Poster Prize 2017 in recognition of the quality of their work presented at the International Conference Frontiers in Theoretical and Applied Physics 2017 in the American University of Sharjah, UAE on February 21-25, 2017.
- Mr. Elias Zurub, a graduate student won the second prize in the local architectural competition, Chadirji 17th Award for Architecture Students in Lebanon through his senior project “Sayde Monastery Extension: The Trail of Faith”, on January 27-28, 2017.
- Three graduate students from the Faculty of Architecture – Design and Built Environment (Ms. Sima El-Cheikh, Ms. Fatima Khaled, and Ms. Nadine El-Hayek) won the first prize for their creative business idea “Smart Shelter” in the “Tripoli Startup Forum 2017”; the 2nd Annual Exhibition for North Lebanon Startups and the Entrepreneurship Ecosystem Institutions.
- Mr. Khaled Bukhari and Mr. Amir Al Arab, two students from the Faculty of Engineering were awarded the second-place prize from ACI Lebanon Chapter for Concrete Balling Ball Competition in September 2016.



Honoring Prof. Rajaa Fakhoury & Prof. Hania Nakkash

- Two engineering projects entitled “Automatic Filling Machine” by Mostafa Hammond and “Standing Wheel Chair” by Carla Dleikan and Mohamad Hamdan were awarded the second and third prizes in LIRA program exhibition in December 2016.
- Mr. Omar Zein and Ms. Israa Ezzeddine (graduate students) received Poster awards at Beirut International Dental Meeting 2016 (BIDM 2016) on November 10, 2016.
- Three students (Mr. Jihad Samariji, Mr. Abdallah Felfol, and Mr. Zaher Chendeb) from the Faculty of Engineering/ Department of Mechanical Engineering at Tripoli Campus won the second prize on their project “Autonomous Navigation for Flying Robots” at the Senior Project Exhibition Day organized by the OEA-Tripoli on July 2016.
- Ms. Amina Ramadan Ali (class of 2016) obtained the International College of Dentist Award (ICD 2016).
- Mr. Yasser El Masri, a graduate student from the Faculty of Engineering at Tripoli Campus obtained a Fulbright Scholarship for graduate studies at the University of Texas in Austin to study his Master’s program in Sustainable Design.
- Two senior engineering projects entitled “Mechanical Design and Control of an Autonomous Robot” and “Automated Vehicle Parking System” were awarded by the LIRA program.
- Mr. Habib Mohammad, an engineering student, received a Full Scholarship to pursue a Master’s Degree in Grenoble Institute of Technology.
- Mr. Ilham Abou-Saleh, an engineering student, obtained a Fulbright scholarship in the undergraduate exchange program with West Virginia University in the United States of America.
- Prospective graduates from the Faculty of Architecture – Design and Built Environment at Tripoli Campus attained several awards from the Order of Engineers for their graduation projects. Mr. Yasser Masri got the second prize for the Best Architectural Projects. Ms. Ayzoulina Nashaat received second prize for the category of Best Environment-Friendly Projects.

Achievements

Below are the most significant student achievements during this academic year:

- BAU dental students have recently founded the Lebanese Association of Dental Students (LADS), which is a member of the International Association of Dental Students (IADS).
- The Men’s Football Varsity Team ranked first in the Universities Football Championship.
- BAU team participated in the North Universities Championship organized by the Azm & Saade Association and ranked first in football and table tennis.
- The Men’s Basketball Varsity Team ranked first in the AUST Basketball Tournament hosted by AUST at Achrafieh Campus on May 16, 2017.
- The Chess Team ranked first in the Universities Chess Championship hosted by BAU at Beirut Campus with the participation on May 13, 2017.
- “The Activities Awards Ceremony” was held to honor the best student activities members and coaches of the year on May 11, 2017.
- “Summer Vibes” event, where “Souk EL Akel” was hosted with about 15 restaurants, was attended by about 2000 students, staff, and visitors at Beirut Campus on May 10-11, 2017.
- A team from the Faculties of Business Administration and Engineering ranked first in the “Mini Volleyball Faculties Tournament” on May 10, 2017.



Granting Prof. Abdalla El-Lakany an Award during KIPC

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Students Mr. Kareem Samad and Mr. Omar Dahab got the third prize for the Best Civil Engineering Project.

- A group of students (Ms. Zeinab Serhan, Ms. Niam Farroukh, Ms. Jamila Sayed Ahmad, and Ms. Asia Jomaa) won the first prize from BAU Engineering Day 2017 held on May 16, 2017.
- Students Mr. Mohammad Bakr Hourri and Mr. Samer Jallad from the Junior Research Team at the Faculty of Pharmacy won the best poster award at the “Pharmaceutical Development and Technology” conference held in Dubai on April 24-26, 2017.
- Three students from the Faculty of Engineering (Ms. Marwa Abbass, Mr. Issam Hammouda, and Mr. Mohamad Kayed) won the first prize in the Innovate for Lebanon Competition held at the Islamic University of Lebanon.



Universities Football Championship

- The Faculty of Engineering ranked first in the “Fitness Faculties Tournament” organized by the Debbieh Gymnasium on May 10, 2017.
- The Faculty of Architecture - Design and Built Environment ranked first in “The Badminton Faculties Tournament” for men, and the Faculty of Engineering ranked first in the same tournament for women on May 9, 2017.
- The Faculty of Engineering won the “Streetball Faculties Tournament” on May 9, 2017.
- The Faculty of Business Administration ranked first in the “Billiard Faculties Tournament” on May 8, 2017.
- The Faculty of Architecture - Design and Built Environment won the “Chess Faculties Tournament” on May 4, 2017.
- The Faculty of Engineering won the “Billiard Faculties Tournament” on May 2, 2017.
- The Faculty of Medicine won the “Archery Faculties Tournament” on April 11, 2017.
- The Faculty of Engineering won the “Futsal Faculties Tournament” on April 3-13, 2017.
- The Faculty of Engineering ranked first in the “Futsal Faculties Tournament” on March 27, 2017.
- The Wrestling Team ranked first in the Third Wrestling Universities Tournament in Greco-Roman\ Freestyle hosted by the Lebanese Wrestling Federation on Sunday March 26, 2017.
- The Faculty of Business won the “Table Tennis Faculties Tournament” for singles, whereas the Faculty of Engineering won the doubles title on March 22-27, 2017.
- The Faculty of Business Administration won the “Issam Hourri Football Tournament” held between November 21, 2016 and December 9, 2016.
- The Chess Team ranked first in the Universities Chess Championship hosted by AUST at Achrafieh Campus on November 19, 2016.
- The Faculty of Engineering won the “Streetball Basketball Faculties Tournament” (men-women) held between November 8, 2016 and November 10, 2016.



BAU provides a wide range of facilities and services for students and staff and enhances its buildings and infrastructure based on modern methods.

The University renewed and upgraded existing facilities with high quality equipment and specifications such as Sports Halls, Activities Training Halls, Studios, Gymnasium and Cafeterias furnished with high standard amenities and spacious open lounges for students.

FACILITIES & SERVICES



Library - Debbieh Campus

Technology Facilities

The Academic Year 2016-2017 witnessed several IT achievements as follows:

- The **Wi-Fi coverage** project and the internet speed: a Wi-Fi coverage was extended with the latest technology for all campuses to include outdoor (fields, walkways, students' gathering areas), and indoor areas (buildings and classrooms).
- **BAU Mobile Application** was launched for students, academic and non-academic staff.
- **IT Help Desk** was established as a wide best practice and a way to guarantee prompt service to easily submit support requests.

Library

Supporting the University research and educational framework, BAU libraries have achieved **42** key performance indicators based on ISO 11620, ISO 16934, and IFLA standards. Print collection was improved with the total increase of 16% whereas the electronic reached 48%.

Throughout this year, the Libraries Department have implemented a new circulation policy for visitors and extended library-opening hours. Users can also request any book, journal periodical, which is not available at BAU from any other university in Lebanon through the interlibrary loan service that aims to support the research needs.

To improve academic and cultural life at BAU, the Libraries Department organized:

- **Library Day (Beirut, Debbieh, and Tripoli):** A cultural fun day that includes competitions and games in which students received valuable prizes for participation.
- **Book Fair:** An event that enables academic staff and students to purchase books at reduced prices, held at Beirut Campus on February 15-17, 2017.
- **Gift Day:** A number of books distributed to students to encourage reading among students of different majors. The event was held at all campuses on November 15, 2016.



Gymnasium Opening - Beirut Campus



ACHIEVERS

AWARDS AND
MEMBERSHIP
FOR CONSISTENT
EFFORTS



Prof. Ramadan Awad
Prize from IOP Publishing



Prof. Maha Aboul-Ela
Certificate of Recognition
from PDT Conference



Dr. Myriam Younes
Member in the Executive
Comittee to NCLW



Dr. Abdallah
Nassereddine
Best Paper Award from
ICTO Conference



- 01 Japanese Concert - Debbieh Campus
- 02 BAU Staff Sport Tournament - Debbieh Campus
- 03 Qalb Al Balad Play - Beirut Campus
- 04 Welcome Spring Semester - Bhebbak Ya Teffeh
- 05 Pakistan Concert - Tripoli Campus

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Engagement and Outreach

Beirut Arab University exerts all efforts to develop its plans, programs, and policies related to engagement and outreach to create a strong impact in the community.

Therefore, BAU strives to establish strong relationships with its stakeholders and facilitate the interaction between its academic staff, students and the community.

Moreover, BAU seeks to establish partnerships and agreements with a wide range of national and international unions and organizations to facilitate the cultural exchange of experiences.



BAU plays a significant role in community service through its centers due to the contributions it offers in various fields.

These centers offer assistance in providing BAU students and graduates with the necessary professional, research and entrepreneurship skills.

COMMUNITY SERVICE



NGO Fair

Human Right Center

- The 6th NGO fair on UN Sustainable Development Goals (UNSDGs) was organized in collaboration with UNESCO at Beirut Campus on May 4, 2017.
- A project on **Human Trafficking**, in collaboration with the United Nation Office on Drugs and Crimes (UNODC), was implemented at the legal clinics of Faculty of Law and Political Science was implemented on November 2016 and May 2017.
- A series of **awareness sessions on violations against domestic workers**, in collaboration with KAFA Enough Violence & Exploitation, were conducted at the University campuses on February 15-16, 2017.
- A workshop on **Reporting Mechanisms for the Forced Disappeared Persons during the Lebanese Civil War**, in collaboration with Act for the Disappeared under the Fushat Amal project, was held on January 26, 2017.
- An awareness session on **Stateless Persons in Lebanon** was organized in collaboration with Frontiers Rights Ruwad Houkuk on December 6-8, 2016.
- The summer school **Social Justice and Human Rights** was organized in collaboration with the University of Cologne and Hamad Bin Khalifa University in Germany on September 3-11, 2016.

Media Center

- A workshop on **Personal Image Consulting** presented by Lama Lawand on November 23-24, 2016;
- A workshop on **Dialogue Programs - Types and Preparations** presented by Journalist Fadi Chehwan on February 15, 2017.



Dialogue Workshop

Research Center for Environment and Development

- A scientific book entitled **A Glance at the Wild Flora of Mount Hermon-Lebanon**, was published and received its International Standard Book Number (ISBN) from the Ministry of Environment.
- A training workshop on **Municipality Management**, which aimed at developing the management and leadership capacities of municipality leaders in Bekaa was held on May 25, 2017.
- An interactive orientation session on **Women's Studies Diploma**, in recognition of the important role of women in society and their contributions to socioeconomic development of Bekaa was held on May 20, 2017.
- A farmer field training on **Growing Potatoes Using New Irrigation Technology in Bekaa Valley, Lebanon**, which aimed at improving potato crop productivity and the economic return of small hold farmers in rural community while simultaneously conserving natural resources in Lebanon was held on May 19, 2017 on the occasion of the Fascination of Plants Day 2017;



- **Beekeeping Training Workshops**, in cooperation with the USAID funded project “Lebanese Industry Value Chain Development (LIVCD)” for beekeepers in Bekaa, which aimed at fostering the beekeeping and honey production sector in Lebanon with focus on raising the productive capacity of beekeeper cooperatives was held on July 12, 2016, December 8, 2016, and April 26, 2017.
- A **scientific field visit** by the Faculty of Sciences senior students to Bekaa on February 28, 2017 included an overview of the importance of natural resources and major environmental challenges in the Bekaa region and an introduction to the interests and research activities of RCED.
- A workshop on **Women Empowerment for SME Management** in collaboration with the Lebanese League for Women in Business (LLWB) was organized at Bekaa Campus on December 8-10, 2016.



Girls Got IT Event

Center for Entrepreneurship

- **“Carpolo”** an application on Android and IOS platforms to promote carpooling between community members was launched by Mohammad Nabaa, a BAU graduate. **Carpolo** aims to increase car occupancy rates by matching drivers with empty car seats and passengers heading in the same direction.
- A partnership was established with **“Agrytech”**, a project funded by the Embassy of the Kingdom of Netherlands in Lebanon, aiming to solve sector related problems in the Agri-food value chain through supporting innovative entrepreneurs and start-ups and focuses on the introduction of innovative technological tools. This approach is expected to create jobs, improve performance, and give a competitive edge to the sector,

generating a direct dual benefit for the innovating Startup and concerned Agri-food segment.

- The third edition of **“Girls Got IT”** was held at Tripoli Campus on May 13, 2017, aiming to promote digital literacy amongst young girls by introducing them to careers in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) and developing their digital skills, thus bridging the gender gap. It was a joint initiative between five Lebanese NGOs, led by Lebanese League for Women in Business (LLWB) in collaboration with the Lebanese Ministry of Education and Higher Education and sponsored by UNICEF and CFE.

- Two training workshops, in collaboration with the Bekaa Youth Association, on **Advanced Teaching Methodologies** targeting school teachers in the Bekaa region as a preparatory means for Civil Service Council contest were held on January 12-13, 2016.
- To establish a unified ecosystem of entrepreneurship education, the University collaborates with:
 - **Inas Abu Ayash Foundation Program (IAAF)** to empower the youth by awarding BAU students who propose a creative and innovative entrepreneurial project that has a social good impact.
 - **Unicef**, four-year program to create four innovation labs across BAU campuses.

BAU continuously aims to build strong professional relationships with national and international institutions in different academic, non-academic, and social service sectors. This assists the University to build a wide network that allows it to hold further agreements and collaborations with different academic institutions and international organizations, hospitals, and NGOs.

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS



Agreement with Mina Municipality

HIGHLIGHTS

- Foundation for International Business Administration Accreditation (FIBAA) institution's visit in Germany paid by Prof. Amr Galal El-Adawi, President of BAU, Dr. Omar Hourri, BAU Secretary General, Prof. Mohammad Saad Raslan, Dean of Academic Development and Quality, and Prof. Ibtihal El Bastawissi, Dean of the Faculty of Architecture – Design and Built Environment on May 10-14, 2017.
- Scientific Research agreements with the University Francisco of Victoria, University of Castilla – La Manche, and the University of Jaen signed by Prof. Amr Galal El-Adawi, President of BAU, Prof. Mayssah Al-Nayyal, Dean of Faculty of Human Sciences, and Dr. Ahmad Zahabi Ramadan, instructor of Spanish at the Faculty, in Spain on March 15-19, 2017.
- Educational Innovation Conference organized by “Rafic Hariri Foundation” for the fifth consecutive year and attended by Prof. Amr Galal El-Adawi, President of BAU and Dr. Omar Hourri, BAU Secretary General, on November 28, 2016.
- “IAU 15th General Conference - Higher Education: A Catalyst for Innovative and Sustainable Societies” Conference attended by Prof. Amr Galal El-Adawi, President of BAU, Dr. Omar Hourri, BAU Secretary General, and Mrs. Zina Aris, Director of Public Relations. The conference was organized by the International Association of Universities at Chulalongkorn University, Thailand, Bangkok from November 13, 2016 till November 16, 2016.
- The General Conference of the Union of Arab Universities attended by Prof. Amr Galal El-Adawi, President of BAU, Dr. Omar Hourri, BAU Secretary General, and Prof. Mohammad Kassem, Dean of Faculty of Law and Political Science. The conference was held in Al-Zaytoonah University, Jordan – Amman on December 4, 2016.

- BAU continues to strengthen and expand its global network and establish communication channels through joining a number of **unions and organizations**:
 - Association of Arab Universities (AARU)
 - International Association of Universities (IAU)
 - Arab Association of Collegiate Registrars & Admissions Officers (ARAB-ACRAO)
 - International Association of University Presidents (IAUP)
 - International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA)
 - Scientific Association of Colleges of Pharmacy in the Arab World. (Affiliated to AARU)
 - Association of the Arab Faculties of Dentistry. (Affiliated to AARU)
 - Federation of the Universities of the Islamic World (FUIW)
 - Agence Universitaire de la Francophonie (AUF)
 - Association of Universities of Lebanon
 - Conférence des Recteurs de la Région du Moyen-Orient (CONFREMO) (AUF)
 - Réseau International Francophone des établissements de formation de formateurs (RIFEFF) (AUF)
 - Euro-Mediterranean University (EMUNI)
 - Euromed Permanent University Forum (EPUF)
 - Hariri Foundation for Sustainable Human Development and Makassed Islamic Charitable Foundation
 - Ecole Doctorale de Droit du Moyen- Orient (EDDMO)
 - International Council for Open and Distance Education (ICDE)
 - Arab Society of Faculties of Business Administration. (Affiliated to AARU)
 - Union of International Associations (UIA)
 - Scientific Society of Arab Nursing Faculties (Affiliated to AARU)
 - Islamic Universities League
 - Collège Doctoral de Français au Moyen Orient (CODFRAMO) (AUF)
 - United Nations Global Compact
 - Association for Dental Education in Europe (ADEE)
 - Arab Forum for Environment and Development (AFED)
 - Lebanese Academic Library Consortium (LALC)
 - European Foundation for Management and Development (EFMD)
 - Lebanese ILL/DDS Services Consortium (LIDS)
 - Hariri Foundation for Sustainable Human Development- The Developmental of Old Gates of Saida Project
 - Colleges of Computing and Information Society / Association of Arab Universities
 - Association for Medical Education in Europe (AMEE)
 - Engineering Educational Committee- Federation of Arab Engineers
 - Conference Internationale Des Formations D'Ingenieurs et Techniciens D'Expreseion Francaise (CITEF) (AUF)
 - Arab Academy for Science, Technology and Maritime Transport (Alexandria) - Egypt
 - USAID (Lebanon's Expand your Horizons Program with Research Center For Environment & Development- RCED)
 - Bibliotheca Alexandria

- Ministry of Agriculture - Faculty of Pharmacy
- The Lebanese Army
- The National Council For Scientific Research CNRS
- Association of Medical Colleges in the Arab World - Association of Arab Universities
- Arab Society of Faculties of Business , Economic, and Political Sciences
- National News Agency
- Ministry of Environment
- Arab Academy for Science, Technology and Maritime - Alexandria
- Union of Arab Banks
- Association Najdeh
- The Ghassan Kanafani Cultural Foundation
- Iklim Fund for Development and Innovation
- The Chamber of Trade, Industry and Agriculture in Tripoli and the North
- Lebanese Army and the Medical Faculties
- **Mina Municipality**
- European Association for Architecture Education
- International Committee of the Red Cross Lebanon (ICRC)
- Foundation for International Business Administration Accreditation (FIBAA)
- Dental Syndicate in Lebanon - Tripoli and the Dental Faculties at the Lebanese University and Saint Joseph University (USJ).
- BAU signs numerous agreements and collaborations across the national, regional, and international world to develop more stronger and productive working relationships.
BAU's agreements for this year include:
 - Université Claude Bernard Lyon I - France
 - Lebanese University - Lebanon
 - Université de Provence - Aix Marseille I - France
 - Université Claude Bernard Lyon I - France
 - Université de Savoie - France
 - Université Charles-De-Gaulle, Lille III - France
 - Ecole Supérieure d'Electronique de l'Ouest (ESEO) - France
 - Institut Euro-Méditerranéen en Science du Risque (IEMSR) - France
 - Euro-Mediterranean University - Sloveni
 - Université Paris- Sorbonne (Paris IV) - France
 - CNRS / National Council for Scientific Research- Lebanese Atomic Energy Commission - Lebanon
 - Ecole Doctorale de Droit du Moyen- Orient (EDDMO) - Agence Universitaire de la Francophonie (AUF)
 - SudgestAid - Italy
 - Link Campus University - Italy
 - **Lebanese Agriculture Research Institute - Lebanon**
 - University of Sharjah - Sharjah - United Arab Emirates
 - The University of Massachusetts - Lowell - United States of America
 - Lebanese Industrial Research Achievements Program (LIRA Program) - Lebanon
 - Hacettepe University - Turkey
 - Hamdan Bin Mohammad e-University - UAE

- L'institut Polytechnique de Grenoble
- Université d'Angers - France
- RWTH Aachen University - Germany
- FHS St. Gallen, University of Applied Sciences - Switzerland
- University of Barcelona - Spain
- The Institute Lorenzo De' Demici - Italy
- University of La Verne - United States of America
- Al Faisal University
- Atatürk University
- Université Joseph Fourier - Grenoble - France
- Kyiv National Linguistic University
- University of Genoa
- Glasgow University - Scotland
- Hammoud Hospital University Medical Center
- Dar Al-Ajaza Al-Islamia Hospital
- Makassed General Hospital
- Sahel General Hospital
- Rafic Hariri University Hospital
- Child and Mother Welfare Hospital
- Al Zahraa University Hospital
- Saida Governmental Hospital
- Al Raee Hospital
- Dalaa Hospital
- Najjar Hospital
- FM/AUBMC
- Notre Dame University Hospital
- Ryak Hospital
- Hopital Psychatrique De La Croix
- Mounla Hospital

- Labib Medical Center
- Bekaa Hospital
- Nini Hospital
- New Mazloun Hospital
- Albert Haykal Hospital
- Merhej Dental Laboratories
- Pharmaline
- Schlumberger
- Sibline
- Vinelab
- IDS / Vabrise Solutions



Agreement with LARI



NOTABLE VISITORS

- 01 Visit of Chargé d'affaires of the Saudi Embassy in Lebanon – Mr. Walid Al-Bukhari
- 02 Visit Minister of State for Women's Affaires Mr. Jean Okasapian
- 03 Visit of the Moroccan Ambassador Mr. Mohamad Krein
- 04 Visit of the Deputy Head of Mission – Embassy of Spain Mr. Ricardo Santos
- 05 A Delegation from the Army Leadership
- 06 Visit of UAE's Ambassador Mr. Hamed Saeed Al Shamisi





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- 01 International Day of Persons with Disabilities – Beirut Campus
- 02 Orphan Day – Beirut Campus
- 03 International Women’s Day – Beirut Campus
- 04 Participation of BAU in Beirut Marathon



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Facts and Figures

Beirut Arab University annually monitors its performance through statistical research that serves the purpose of development and innovation. Along these lines, the following section presents the up-to-date statistics performed at the University with regards to gender, job descriptions, numbers of staff, students, and scholarships.

BAU seeks to establish a gender balance in its academic, non-academic, and governance bodies aligned with the international standards. The University is also keen on encouraging the development of its undergraduate and graduate infrastructure through granting scholarships, offering facilities and services that support learning and research, and student retention.

The section below presents vivid charts that clearly demonstrate several significant aspects starting with academic staff genders and nationalities, continues to explore non-academic staff genders and job descriptions, graduate and non-graduate student numbers among years, in addition to the number of students who registered and earned Masters' and PhD Degrees.

In the academic year 2016-2017, BAU has provided several sources of scholarship and financial aid opportunities for its students that have been expanded on the numbers and sources of these financial opportunities in the inside pages.



CHART 1: THE NUMBER OF ACADEMIC STAFF DISTRIBUTED BY GENDER

TOTAL: 992

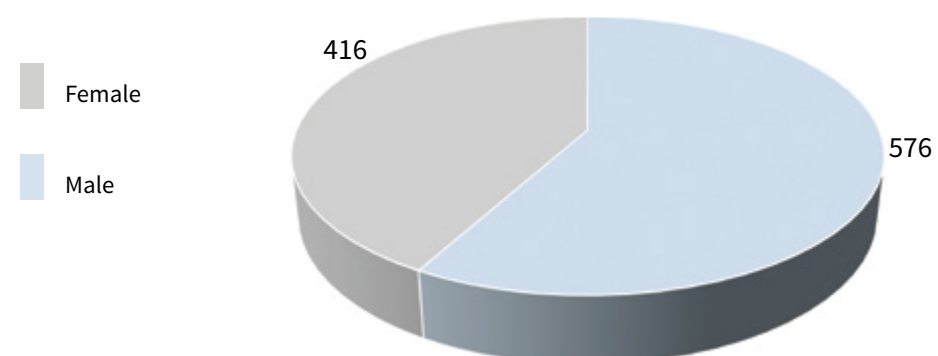


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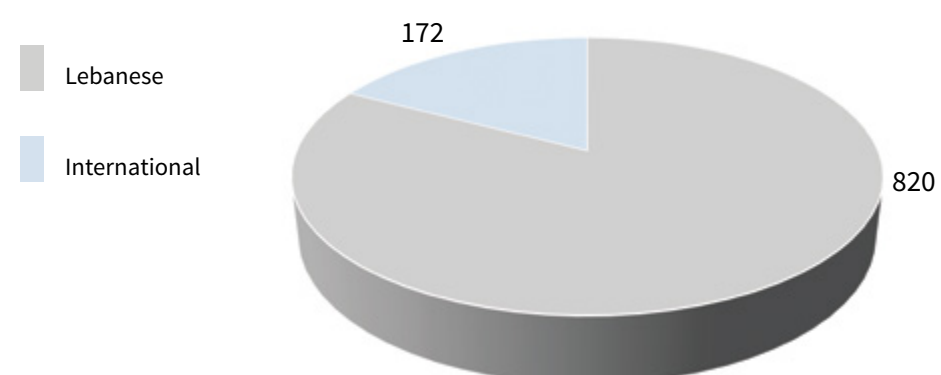


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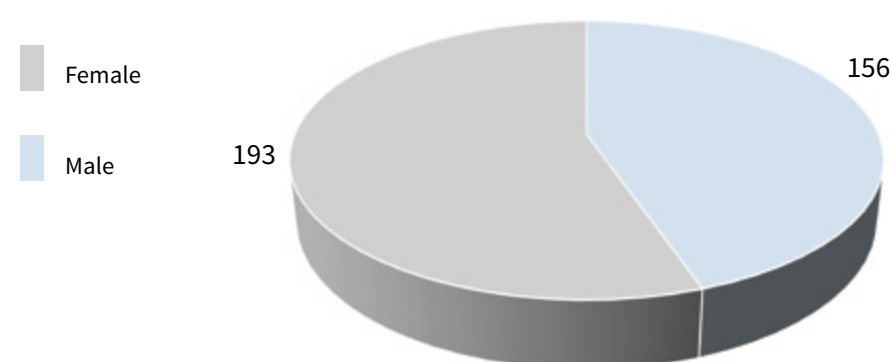


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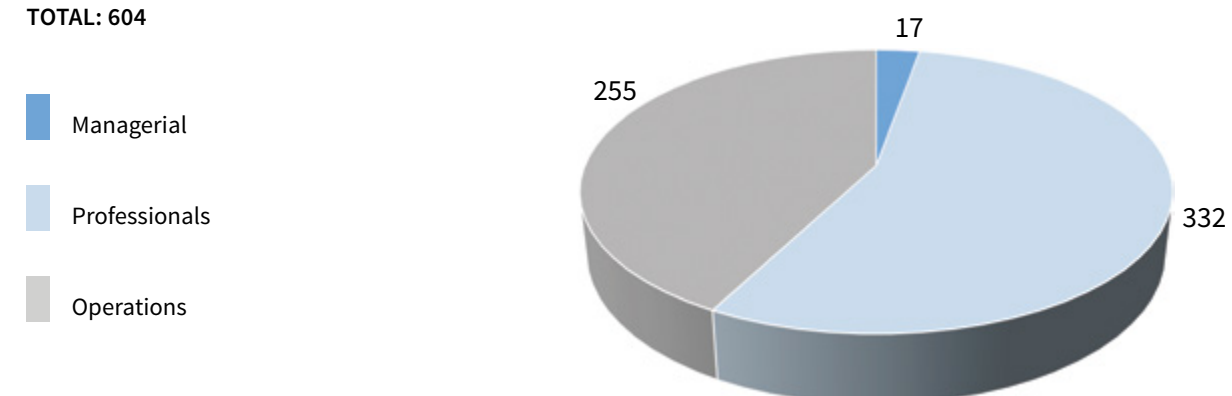


CHART 5: THE NUMBER OF ENROLLED STUDENTS BY FACULTY IN THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2016-2017

TOTAL: 8,458

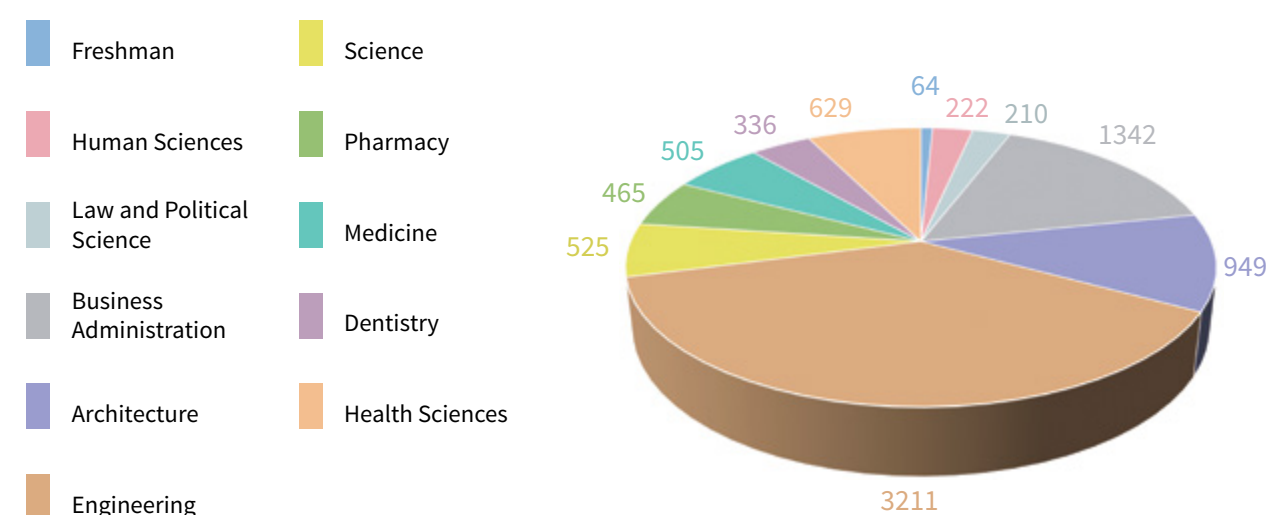


CHART 6: THE NUMBER OF UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS BY FACULTY IN THE LAST FIVE ACADEMIC YEARS

TOTAL: 45,128

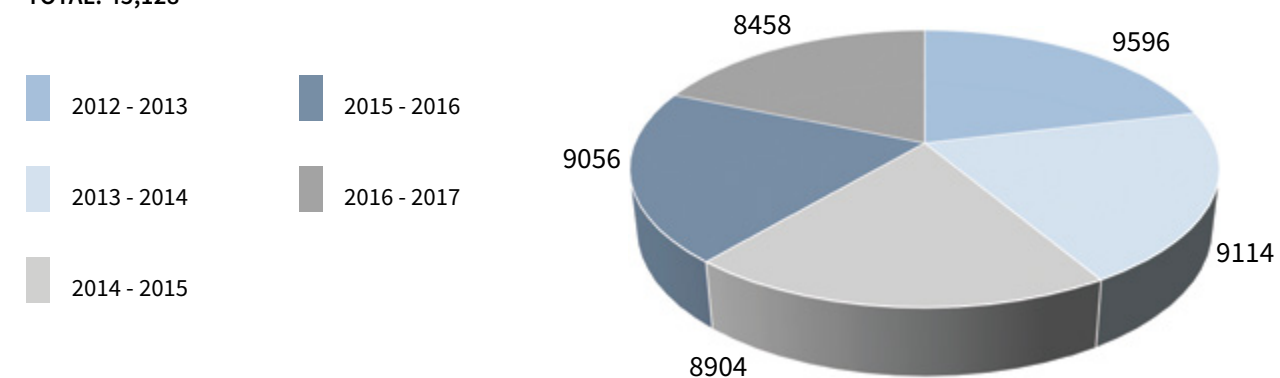


CHART 7: THE NUMBER OF GRADUATED STUDENTS BY FACULTY IN THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2016-2017

TOTAL: 1,634

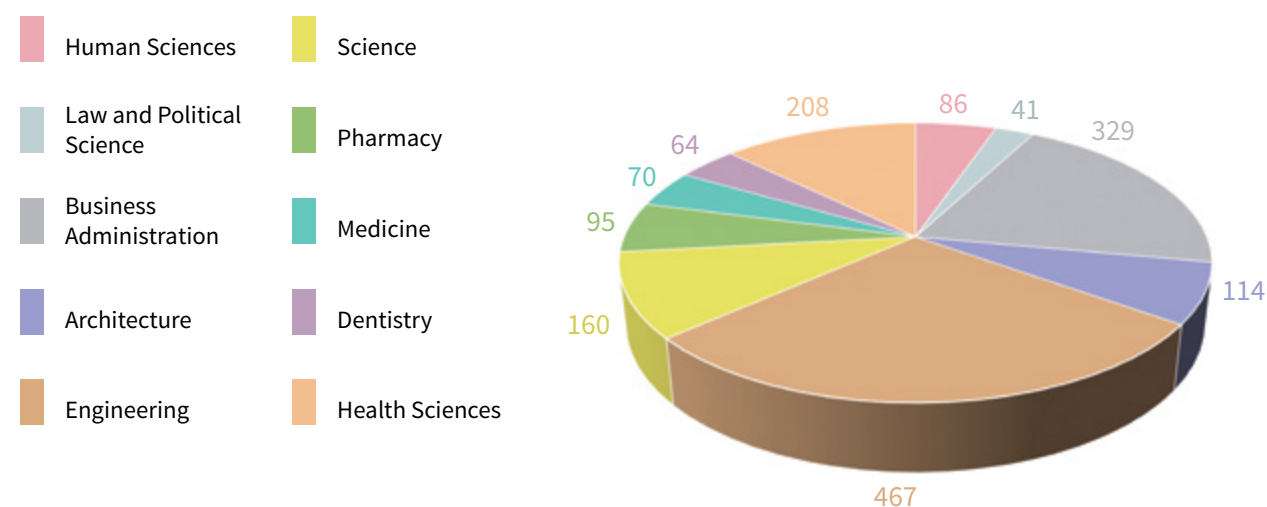


CHART 8: THE NUMBER OF BAU SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AIDS BY CATEGORY

TOTAL: 3,889

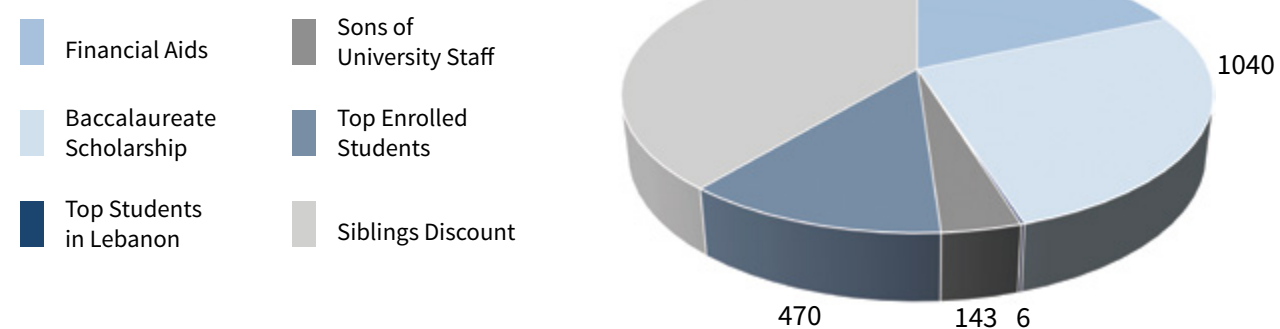


CHART 9: THE NUMBER OF MASTERS' DEGREES GRANTED IN THE LAST FIVE ACADEMIC YEARS

TOTAL: 805

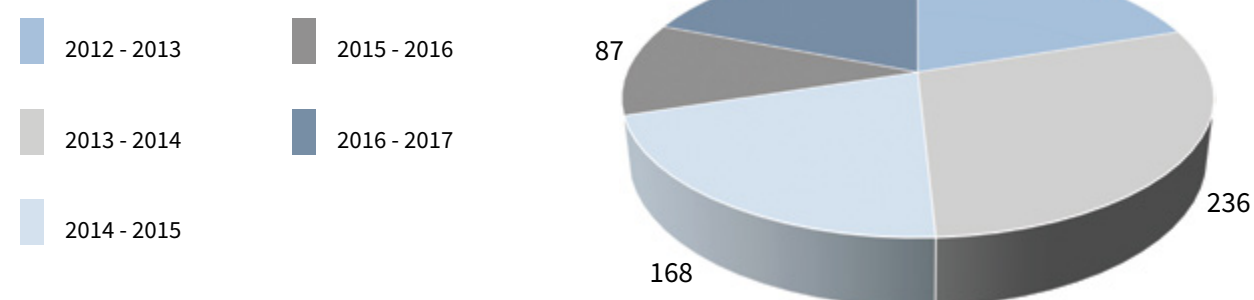


CHART 10: THE NUMBER OF MASTERS' DEGREES GRANTED BY FACULTY IN THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2016-2017

TOTAL: 154

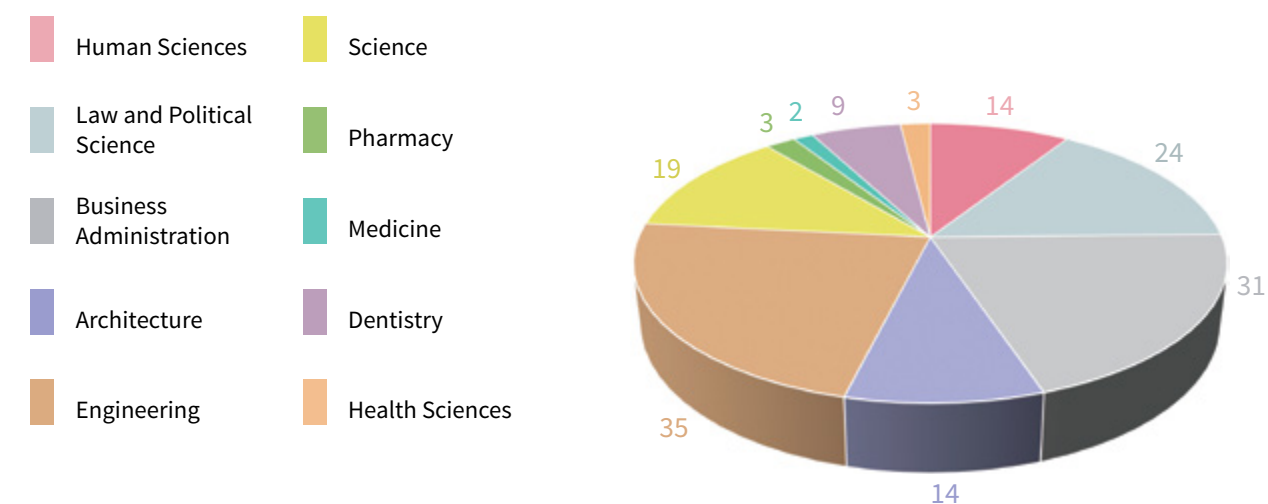


CHART 11: THE NUMBER OF Ph.D. DEGREES GRANTED IN THE LAST FIVE ACADEMIC YEARS

TOTAL: 234

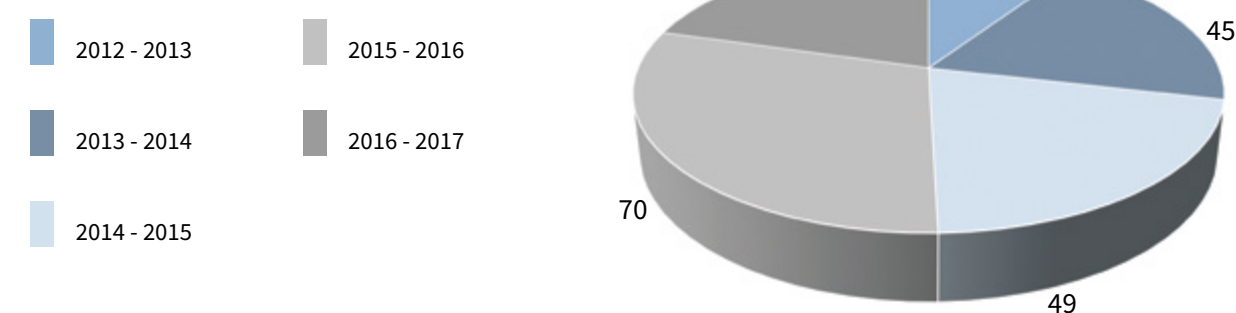
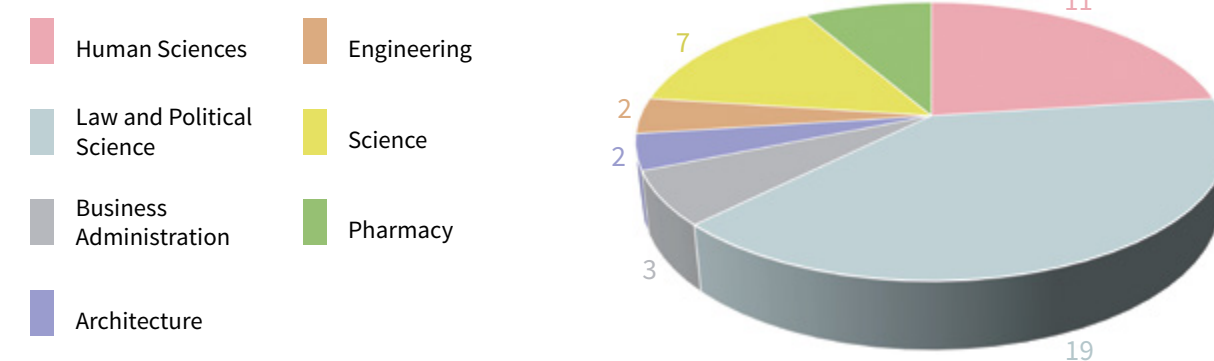


CHART 12: THE NUMBER OF Ph.D. DEGREES GRANTED BY FACULTY IN THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2016-2017

TOTAL: 48



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Strategic Progress

Brief Achievement of University Strategy:

Strategy One: Restructuring the Governance System

Beirut Arab University has established an adequate governance system which is transparent to members of the council and other stakeholders including students. It has also provided a clear line of authority and responsibility and initiated advisory committees to encourage a national system of engagement.

Strategy Two: Achieving Excellence in Education

The University attained international accreditation for most of its educational programs in addition to institutional accreditation.

Strategy Three: Promoting Academic Staff Excellence

BAU has recruited highly qualified academic staff and set up training programs of capacity building for academic staff.

Strategy Four: Supporting Research Excellence

The University has set research themes that address the needs of the community and respond to the global development concerns of the United Nation's sustainable development goals.

Strategy Five: Improving Academic and Student Services

BAU has enhanced teaching and learning facilities, improved IT facilities, and developed the libraries' facilities and services.

Strategy Six: Providing a Rich University Life for all Students

A number of student clubs and societies were established to develop students' interests and inspire them to meet like-minded individuals, indulge in a hobby, or simply socialize. BAU has also built indoor and outdoor sports and fitness facilities.

Strategy Seven: Deepening Public Engagement

The role of engagement with the community and NGOs has been raised. BAU has also formed continuing education programs and increased engagement with the public and private sectors. The University has oriented research towards the well-being of the society.

Strategy Eight: Strengthening Alumni and Friends Network

BAU has deepened its national and international relations with alumni and friends. In this respect, a monthly newsletter was issued.

Strategy Nine: Enhancing International Relations

BAU has increased its international relations and signed concrete agreements with renowned higher education institutions. The University has also extended its mobility efforts for staff and students with international higher education institutions.

Strategy Ten: Diversifying Financial Resources

BAU has steadily supported its activities through various sponsors and funds of research projects from national and international bodies.