

## A LOOK AT THE CAMPUSES



The University has grown enormously since its foundation in the 1940s, it has made a significant investment in physical facilities.

The Beirut campus with an area of 27, 500 square meters encompasses 12 buildings with 70,782 square meters of built-up areas and 4,550 square meters of greenery. It is located in the heart of city. Within Beirut, 4,694 square meters were rented to provide additional physical facilities to meet the expansion needs in support of the administrative and academic requirements as well as that of the housing needs.

The center of the campus is eye-catching as it is accented with charming historical trees and surrounded by rustic limestone buildings. In recent year, campus improvements included the Beirut Infrastructure Project, Renovating of a new location in the Gezairi building to accommodate the Fashion Design Premises, Gym Renovation, Miscellaneous Work on Campus Grounds, new seating and study areas at the Library, Sage Hall wet Labs Renovation as well as numerous offices and academic space upgrading. Major upcoming projects include the renovation of the Gezairi Building, the Gulbenkian theater and the entire Irwin Hall building, a major landscaping project at the center of the campus, as well as other projects that are still under planning.

The expansive Byblos Campus consists of 14 buildings with a land lot area of 173,263 square meters, a total built-up area of 76,758 square meters and 11,450 square meters of greenery. LAU lately expanded its new campus area in Byblos by acquiring around 143,000 m<sup>2</sup> of additional adjacent land. The most recent Campus improvements in Byblos included the major renovation of Tohme Rizk Building consolidating all offices related to Student Services and to the Business Office, renovation of the offices of the Dean of Student Services, Indoor and outdoor Parking Projects, dancing and music room renovations, Labs upgrading, etc. Major upcoming projects include the Library and Central Administration Complex, the Engineering Labs and Workshops Building and the Byblos Campus Infrastructure Project.



Highlights of the campuses' physical facilities include:

- Smart classrooms of varying size adaptable to different teaching environments;
- Dedicated labs to support academic programs;
- Video-conference rooms, case method rooms, seminar rooms, etc. equipped to accommodate distance learning;
- Numerous lecture halls, capable of accommodating a variety of functions with multiple seating arrangements and equipped with advanced smart teaching technology;
- State-of-the art libraries, theaters, multipurpose rooms for different activities and events;
- An enlarged and prominently-located student services area to promote greater student-oriented environment in support of the University's mission;
- Welcoming atmosphere at the cafeterias and cyber cafes, gymnasiums, physical fitness facilities (physical fitness centers, basketball court, football court, swimming pool, Tennis court, dancing rooms, etc.);
- Parking spaces and bike racks;
- Housing facilities, the Beirut campus is home to two separate residence halls, Orme-Gray for women and Capital Suites for men. The Byblos campus is home to three LAU-owned residence halls: Residence Hall B, a five-floor building divided into two wings, one for men and one for women, Maatouk Building, for women only, Residence Hall C, for men only, and numerous off-campus residence facilities "sponsored" by LAU;
- Physical facilities that meets the ADA requirements for accessibility by the physically challenged;
- Wireless technology available throughout the campus; and
- Separate centralized plants and facilities to provide adequate utility and infrastructure services to support the campus physical facilities.

**LAU continues its journey of perpetual expansion and development.**