



# THE FUTURE STARTS

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AT **AU**

We are living in a time of unprecedented challenges. Across American University, we leverage the power and purpose of community to make an impact in this changing world. There is no issue too complex, no challenge too great. From social justice to sustainability—we step up, we show up, and we say, **“challenge accepted.”**



Washington, DC is our home.

laboratory.

classroom.

community.

playground.



# THIS IS WHERE **BEAUTY**

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Take one look at our campus, and you'll see why we're ranked the 4th Most Beautiful Urban Campus by *Best Choice Schools*. The trees, plants, and gardens that line our campus make you forget we're in a major city. With 385 different species and varieties of woody plants—totaling 4,000 trees—AU's campus is a designated arboretum.







## **MEETS SUSTAINABILITY**

As the first university in the country to achieve carbon neutrality in 2018, AU is blazing a trail to a more sustainable future. AU's commitment to sustainability permeates every aspect of campus life and unites students, faculty, and staff in a common mission to preserve our environment.

**50%**

of AU's electricity is generated by 2,500 solar panels across campus

**10**

leed-certified buildings on campus, featuring energy and water efficiencies

## COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

African American and African Diaspora Studies  
American Studies  
Anthropology  
Applied Mathematics  
Arab World Studies  
Arabic Studies  
Art History  
Asia, Pacific, and Diaspora Studies  
Audio Production  
Audio Technology  
Biochemistry  
Biology  
Chemistry  
Chinese Studies  
Computational Science  
Computer Science  
Dance  
Data Science  
Economics  
Environmental Science  
Environmental Studies  
Fine Arts  
French Studies  
German Studies  
Graphic Design  
Health Promotion

# THIS IS YOUR PROVING GROUND

American University is a student-centered research institution located in Washington, DC, with highly ranked schools and colleges, and a reputation for creating meaningful change in the world. At AU, we offer a number of ways for you to pursue your academic goals. From three-year programs to more than 70 undergraduate degrees, the opportunities for your academic career are endless.

## SPECIAL ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

AU also has several special academic programs, which require an additional, separate application. The priority deadline is December 15.

### THREE-YEAR SCHOLARS PROGRAMS

Global Scholars  
Politics, Policy, and Law Scholars  
Public Health Scholars

### AU HONORS

**LINCOLN SCHOLARS  
PROGRAM**

### AU-RITSUMEIKAN UNIVERSITY SAKURA SCHOLARS

## AU CORNERSTONE PROGRAM

When applying to AU, you can also express your interest in AU Cornerstone, a first-year program that offers you the opportunity to intern or study abroad.

[american.edu/admissions/international/](https://american.edu/admissions/international/)

History  
Jewish Studies  
Language and Area Studies  
Literature  
Mathematics  
Mathematics and Economics  
Music  
Musical Theatre  
Neuroscience  
Philosophy  
Photography  
Physics  
Psychology  
Public Health  
Religious Studies  
Russian Studies  
Sociology  
Spanish Studies  
Statistics  
Studio Art  
Theatre  
Women's, Gender,  
and Sexuality Studies

Languages:  
Arabic  
Chinese  
French  
German  
Hebrew

Italian  
Japanese  
Korean  
Russian  
Spanish  
Swahili

### **KOGOD SCHOOL OF BUSINESS**

Accounting  
Business Administration  
Accounting  
Entrepreneurship  
Finance  
Information Systems &  
Technology  
International Business  
Management  
Marketing  
Business, Language,  
and Culture  
Language tracks:  
Arabic  
French  
German  
Russian  
Spanish  
Business and Entertainment  
Finance

### **SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION**

Communication Studies  
Film and Media Arts  
Foreign Language and  
Communication Media  
Journalism  
Photography  
Public Relations and Strategic  
Communication

### **SCHOOL OF EDUCATION**

Elementary Education  
Secondary Education

### **SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL SERVICE**

International Studies  
Environmental Sustainability  
and Global Health  
Foreign Policy and National  
Security  
Global and Comparative  
Governance  
Global Inequality and  
Development  
Identity, Race, Gender,  
and Culture

Justice, Ethics, and  
Human Rights  
Peace, Global Security, and  
Conflict Resolution  
The Global Economy

### **SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

Communication, Legal  
Institutions, Economics,  
and Government (CLEG)  
Data Sciences for Justice, Law,  
& Criminology  
Data Sciences for Political  
Science  
Justice and Law  
Legal Studies  
Political Science

### **PREPROFESSIONAL ADVISING PROGRAM**

Premedicine

[american.edu/programs.cfm](http://american.edu/programs.cfm)



# THIS IS WHERE **CHANGE BEGINS**

American University is committed to a robust liberal education core that challenges students to engage with complexity, value diversity, and understand change. To foster this, all incoming students will be enrolled in AU Core, AU's innovative general education program. During the first year, students will complete the American University Experience (AUx) as well as take a First-Year Complex Problems seminar. First-year students will also take foundation courses in University Writing and University Math.

[american.edu/provost/undergrad/core/](https://american.edu/provost/undergrad/core/)

## **CREDIT BY EXAM**

AU will accept a maximum of 30 credit hours from one or a combination of Advanced Placement (AP), HL International Baccalaureate (IB), A Levels, CLEP subject examinations, or other AU-approved test credit. All exams for test credit must be completed prior to AU matriculation.

Advanced credit exams may not be used to satisfy AU Core requirements. Advanced credit exams may still be applied toward the major or minor, or as elective credit.

[american.edu/admissions/exam-credit.cfm](https://american.edu/admissions/exam-credit.cfm)





# THIS IS WHERE LEARNING

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At AU, you'll learn from the best and the brightest. Our faculty is internationally renowned, with 93% of faculty holding the highest degree in their field. With our average class size at 23, you'll get to know your professor and your classmates. And as a research institution, first-year students can participate in research projects.

We have a number of opportunities to foster and support student research. A few examples include:

**AU Summer Scholars and Artists Program**

**Entrepreneurship Incubator**

**Educational Enhancement Fund**

**Peace and Violence Research Lab**

**Provost Research Funding**

**Public Affairs and Policy Lab**





## EXAMPLE INTERNSHIPS

ABC News  
American Express  
Amnesty International  
Asian Development Bank  
Associated Press  
Black & Decker  
Booz Allen Hamilton  
Cisco Systems  
Citibank  
CNN  
Deloitte  
Discovery Communications  
Disney Channel  
Embassy of Bahrain  
Embassy of Canada  
Embassy of Dominican Republic  
Embassy of Great Britain  
Embassy of Korea  
Embassy of Pakistan  
Embassy of Panama  
Ernst & Young  
ESPN  
European Commission  
FBI  
Institute for International  
Economics  
International Monetary Fund

KPMG  
Lockheed Martin  
Mercedes-Benz  
Merrill Lynch  
Microsoft  
Morgan Stanley  
MTV  
National Institutes of Health  
National Geographic Society  
NATO  
NBC - Telemundo  
Nokia  
Peace Corps  
PwC  
Prudential Financial  
Smithsonian Institution  
United Nations  
U.S.-China Business  
Council  
U.S.-Saudi Arabia  
Business Council  
Wall Street Journal  
Washington Post  
White House  
World Bank  
World Wildlife Fund

[american.edu/careercenter](http://american.edu/careercenter)

## MEETS OPPORTUNITY

Washington, DC, is our biggest classroom, where you'll gain real world experience. AU students complete internships in the arts, sciences, business, communications, education, and, of course, domestic and international politics. Many of these internships lead directly to a job after graduation.

**89%** of students participated in at least one internship while at American University

**90%** of AU graduates were employed, in graduate school, or both six months after graduation

[american.edu/weknowsuccess](http://american.edu/weknowsuccess)

# THIS IS WHERE **CURIOSITY** **MEETS ADVENTURE**

As an international city, Washington, DC, has a lot to offer. But so does the rest of the world. With our AU Abroad programs, you'll have the opportunity to study just about anywhere in the world.

## 60%

of students study abroad at least once before they graduate



## AU ABROAD

Abroad Programs	96
Countries	42
Continents	6

## Program Locations

Argentina	Israel
Armenia	Italy
Australia	Japan
Austria	Jordan
Belgium	Kazakhstan
Brazil	Kenya
Canada	Latvia
Chile	Mexico
China	Morocco
Czech Republic	Netherlands
Denmark	New Zealand
Ecuador	Northern Ireland
England	Poland
Finland	Scotland
France	South Korea
Germany	Spain
Greece	Sweden
India	Taiwan
Indonesia	United Arab Emirates
Ireland	Wales





# THIS IS HOME

Life on AU's campus buzzes with energy and activity. But you can't forget to recharge. There's no better place to do that than in one of our residence halls, which have everything you need to thrive. And when you need a good meal or even just a coffee, Dining Services has you covered with options for every dietary need.

**11** residence halls  
on campus

**14** dining locations cater  
to every dietary need

[american.edu/student-affairs/housing/](http://american.edu/student-affairs/housing/)  
[american.edu/student-affairs/onecarddining/](http://american.edu/student-affairs/onecarddining/)





## **AWAY FROM HOME**

The true beauty of our campus is not found in our buildings or landscaping, but in our student body. Our 14,00 students—8,000 undergraduates and 6,000 graduates—not only come from all over the country, but from all over the world. Each student bringing a unique perspective and experience, from which we can all learn and grow.

**10.8%** international students

**32%** students of color

**50** states represented

**110** countries represented



# THIS IS WHERE INDIVIDUALS

College is a time of self-discovery. It's your time to pursue your dreams and to become the person you want to be. But that doesn't mean you have to go at it alone.

We have a number of resources to help you thrive during your time at AU, including:

**Academic Support & Access Center**

**Center for Diversity & Inclusion**

**Counseling Center**

**Well-Being center**

**Kay Spiritual Life Center**







## **FIND COMMUNITY**

While you pursue your academic goals, you'll have plenty of time to pursue your passions and to find your people. You can join one of our many student organizations or create one. Play an intramural sport. Practice your faith. Debate. Volunteer. Or join AU Diplomats. Whatever you pursue, we know you'll belong.

**15** NCAA Division I  
Patriot league teams  
+ Men's Wrestling

**45** club and  
intramural Sports

**20** religious  
communities

**29** Sororities and  
Fraternities at AU

**200+** student-run clubs  
and organizations

[american.edu/student-affairs/get-involved.cfm](https://american.edu/student-affairs/get-involved.cfm)





JACK L. and DOROTHY G. BENDER  
LIBRARY and LEARNING RESOURCES CENTER





## **STUDENT PERSPECTIVE: THOMAS**

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT, EGYPT/UAE  
JUNIOR, KOGOD SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

“My first impression of AU was how beautiful the campus is. I was pleasantly surprised to see so much greenery from grass to trees on one college campus and was reassured that I has made the right choice. Also, with everything on campus in one place, you really get a great feeling of AU’s sense of community and family which is also reflected in the people here. Everyone is so open and welcoming. As an international student coming from a different culture and country, this has really helped me settle in, immerse myself into the community, and develop myself as a person through AU’s exciting opportunities.”



# APPLYING TO AU

At American University, we believe in a holistic admissions process. You are more than the sum of your grades and test scores, and we want to know about you inside and out of the classroom.

## EARLY DECISION

If you decide that American University is the place for you, applying as an Early Decision candidate is a great way to demonstrate that interest to us. In exchange for submitting your application by one of our Early Decision deadlines, you will receive your admissions decision early.

## NO SAT OR ACT REQUIRED

American University believes in increasing access to higher education. To that end, the SAT or ACT is not required for students (including U.S. citizens) graduating from secondary schools outside the United States.

[american.edu/admissions/international/instructions.cfm](https://american.edu/admissions/international/instructions.cfm)

## ADMISSIONS APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- COMMON APPLICATION OR COALITION APPLICATION
- \$75 APPLICATION FEE — NO FEE WAIVERS
- SECONDARY SCHOOL REPORT
- HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT
- TEACHER RECOMMENDATION LETTER
- APPLICATION ESSAY
- RESUME/ACTIVITY REPORT
- PROOF OF ENGLISH PROFICIENCY
- HS COUNSELOR RECOMMENDATION LETTER (OPTIONAL, HIGHLY RECOMMENDED)
- BANK LETTER FOR \$78,296 USD, ONLY REQUIRED FOR STUDENTS ON F/J VISAS

## APPLICATION DEADLINES

EARLY DECISION	EARLY DECISION II	REGULAR DECISION
<b>NOV 15</b>	<b>JAN 15</b>	<b>JAN 15</b>



## COST OF ATTENDANCE

*Undergraduates On or Off Campus*

<b>TUITION</b>	\$55,724
<b>FEES</b>	\$548
<b>AVERAGE ROOM</b>	\$11,402
<b>AVERAGE BOARD</b>	\$5,610
<b>BOOKS *</b>	\$1,000
<b>TRANSPORTATION *</b>	\$802
<b>METRO U-PASS</b>	\$272
<b>HEALTH INSURANCE</b>	\$2,178
<b>PERSONAL *</b>	\$760
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$78,296</b>

*Costs shown are for the 2023–24 academic year.*

*\* Estimated costs*

## AU EMERGING GLOBAL LEADER SCHOLARSHIP

The AU Emerging Global Leader Scholarship promotes educational access and opportunity while enhancing international diversity. The AU EGL scholarship covers all billable AU expenses (full tuition, room and board) for one international student who will need a visa (preferably an F-1 or J-1 student visa) to study in the United States. The scholarship does not cover non-billable expenses such as mandatory health insurance, books, airline tickets and miscellaneous expenses (approximately U.S.\$4,000 per year). The AU EGL scholarship is renewable for a total of four years of undergraduate study, based on continued satisfactory academic performance.

**AMERICAN.EDU/ADMISSIONS/  
INTERNATIONAL/AU-EGLS-APPLY.CFM**

**AMERICAN.EDU/ADMISSIONS/  
INTERNATIONAL/AU-EGLS-10-YEARS.CFM**

## FINANCING AN AU EDUCATION

We understand that students and parents have many questions about financing an education in the U.S. The following websites provide resources on financial planning and advice for prospective and admitted international students.

**[american.edu/admissions/international/prospective-finance.cfm](http://american.edu/admissions/international/prospective-finance.cfm)**

**[american.edu/admissions/international/admitted-finance.cfm](http://american.edu/admissions/international/admitted-finance.cfm)**

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AT AU

### MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS

All AU applicants are automatically considered for partial merit scholarships based on their academic achievements. Additional scholarships that do require separate applications or processes include:

Athletics Scholarships

Tuition Exchange Scholarships

Private/Restricted Scholarships

### NEED-BASED AID

U.S. citizens and U.S. permanent residents are eligible to apply for financial aid. To assess a family's financial need, we use the FAFSA and CSS Profile to determine your eligibility for grants, loans, and work-study programs. Students applying for financial aid must submit both the FAFSA and CSS Profile.

**[american.edu/financialaid](http://american.edu/financialaid)**





## **FAREHA ABID, 2019 AU EGLS SCHOLAR**

Fareha came to AU as an esteemed alumna of the U.S Department of State's Youth Exchange and Study high school exchange program. She graduated as undergraduate commencement speaker for the School of International Service (SIS) with a major in International Studies - concentration in Justice, Ethics, and Human Rights with a focus on Europe and MENA regions, and a minor in International Business with a focus on Sustainable Development & Marketing.

Fareha is the only sophomore to have been the recipient of SIS' 2021 Frank Willis Scotton Award, given to one student who best exemplifies the values and mission of the school.

On campus, Fareha worked as the Vice President for Amnesty International Chapter (AIC), and served as the Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. She wrote for Amlit and Blackprint as well. She enjoyed representing the student body on faculty diversity committees and had the chance to work on redesigning the AUx curriculum. She was also AIC's 2021 Paradigm Changer, and interned for Mvision LLC, Center for International Private Enterprise, and Managed Funds Association. Among other campus jobs, she also worked as a Program Assistant for U.S. Department of State's Sister2Sister Exchange Program. She spent a semester abroad at the AU Centre and ICADE business school in Madrid.

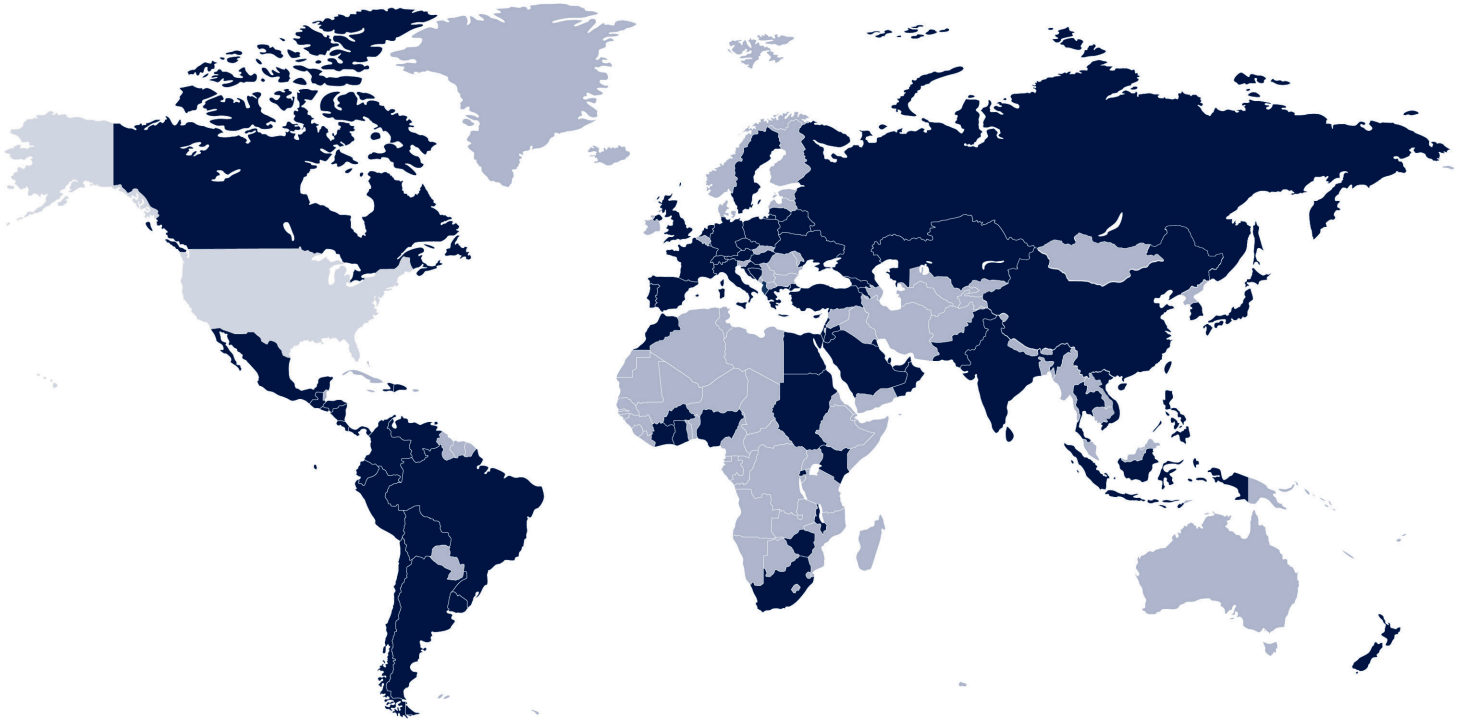
Fareha looks forward to gaining more experience in the field of international development, education, and technology.

# WHEREVER YOU'RE FROM

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AU is home to 1,573 international students representing diverse cultures and viewpoints from 110 countries.

This map highlights the 83 countries—shaded in navy—where incoming first-year students came from between 2020 and 2022.



# YOU ARE WELCOME **HERE**

As a global university, American University has a long tradition of welcoming students from across the United States and the world to our campus.

American University is also home to 300 U.S. citizens and permanent residents who graduated from secondary schools outside the U.S. We call them our AU U.S. Global Nomads.

Our AU Diplomats are a diverse group of current AU international students and U.S. Global Nomads who serve as student ambassadors to new and prospective AU students, and other members of the international community.

[american.edu/admissions/international/au-diplomats.cfm](https://american.edu/admissions/international/au-diplomats.cfm)







# THIS IS YOUR **OPPORTUNITY** **TO LEARN MORE**

We have a number of opportunities for you to connect with us and learn more about American University.

## Visits & Events

[american.edu/admissions/experience-au/](https://american.edu/admissions/experience-au/)

## Why choose AU?

Interested in hearing why students come to American University? Our AU Diplomats share their thoughts and experiences on choosing AU.



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