At AUC, we recognize that a university campus serves as the center of a student’s academic and cultural experience, and our Office of Safety and Security is committed to providing a safe, secure and welcoming campus environment for our global community of students from over 50 countries.

EGYPT: A SAFE EXPERIENCE

Egypt currently ranks level 2 on the U.S. Department of State’s four-level safety ranking travel advisory system, with level 1 including the lowest risk locations and level 4 the highest. Egypt is joined at level 2 by the United Kingdom, Germany, France, Belgium, Brazil, Spain and China.
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Travel Advisory Levels

Level 1 - Exercise Normal Precautions
Level 2 - Exercise Increased Caution
Level 3 - Reconsider Travel
Level 4 - Do not Travel

UAE
Greece
Egypt
Sudan
Saudi Arabia
Tunisia
Italy
Jordan
India
China
Russia
Turkey
Lebanon
South Africa
Zimbabwe
Kenya
Japan
South Korea
Thailand
Sri Lanka
Qatar
Kuwait
Zambia
Madagascar
Austria
Finland
Germany
Cairo
The return of a top program that has been part of AUC for half a century

As of 2017, the Center for Arabic Study Abroad (CASA), the world’s premier immersion study-abroad Arabic program which is now based at Harvard University, has returned to AUC, after a temporary relocation to Jordan. An assessment carried out by the director for international safety and security at Harvard University resulted in the endorsement of AUC’s security procedures and the approval of CASA fellows’ return to the University.

“Cairo is probably one of the safest big cities I’ve ever been in. I don’t worry about walking around worried about getting mugged or attacked. AUC is the place where people can talk about controversial issues and speak critically and academically about them.”

Helen Rizzo
Associate Professor and Chair
Department of Sociology, Egyptology and Anthropology
AUC: A SECURE CAMPUS

AUC’s 260-acre technologically advanced and environmentally sensitive campus is located in the heart of New Cairo – a secure residential suburb in Cairo.

The University carefully controls access to its grounds and facilities to ensure the safety, security and well-being of all who work, study at or visit the campus.

The gated campus requires personal identification passkeys to access the entrances and is equipped with comprehensive state-of-the-art security equipment and CCTV camera systems inside and outside AUC’s facilities.

The Office of Safety and Security holds primary responsibility to secure access to the AUC campuses 24/7, and highly trained security personnel patrolling the grounds ensure the safety and security of our community.
The 24-hour campus security hotline responds to all AUC community members in need of assistance in case of emergencies, whether on or off campus.

To ensure the safety and well-being of study-abroad students at AUC, University procedures regarding student travel include gaining clearance from the Office of Safety and Security and providing accessible contact information prior to travel.

AUC housing for students is available, both on campus at the University residences and off campus at the faculty apartments, located five minutes away.

“Living on campus obviously, you feel very very safe”

Adam Angus
Business Administration Junior
Executive Director for Safety and Security Mohamed Ebeid is a former police general and chief of U.S. embassy security, with more than 30 years of criminal investigations, risk assessment and management and law enforcement experience.

Ebeid leads all campus safety and security functions and maintains close communications with Egyptian and international security authorities, private sector and expatriates and local regulatory agencies while building partnerships with other jurisdictions.

He is the University administration’s chief adviser on risk management issues and compliance with campus security regulations.

Ebeid and his department ensure the protection of all University personnel, buildings, equipment and information against criminal activity at all times, taking additional measures, when necessary, such as during major campus events and visits.

Prior to joining AUC, Ebeid served in government ministries, foreign embassies and international airlines with a diverse set of expertise, skills and abilities in a variety of security areas.
“Since I’ve come to Cairo, I’ve never felt in danger. AUC, in particular, is one of the safest environments that exist in Egypt and it’s frankly much safer than a lot of places I could have been to in the west.”

Ian Rollo
St. Olaf College
Study-Abroad Student
DID YOU KNOW? INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ARE BACK ON CAMPUS

More than 130 study-abroad agreements

More than 700 international students in 2017 – 2018 from over 50 countries

Here are some of our global partners who have selected AUC for their students’ study-abroad experience in Cairo during the academic year 2017 – 2018:

UNITED STATES
Columbia | SIPA School of International and Public Affairs
Gettysburg College
St. Olaf College
University of Pennsylvania
Westmont College

EUROPE
University of Bergen, Norway
Freie Universität Berlin, Germany
Leiden University, The Netherlands
Lisbon School of Economics & Management, Portugal
Lund University, Sweden
Radboud University, The Netherlands
SciencesPo, France
Université de Genève, Switzerland

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Peking University
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