The American University in Cairo
A private liberal arts university founded in 1919. Location: central Cairo, Egypt. Language of instruction: English. Enrollment: 1250 undergraduate, 500 graduate, 250 non-degree and 10,000 adult and continuing education students. Origin of students: 75% Egyptian, 7.5% American, 17.5% from over 50 other countries. Academic faculty: 140 full-time, 90 part-time. Faculty-student ratio: 1 to 13.

Accreditation
Incorporated in Washington, D.C., The American University in Cairo is licensed to confer degrees by the Commission on Educational Institution Licensure of the District of Columbia and accredited by the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools. In Egypt the University operates within the framework of the 1962 Egyptian-American Cultural Cooperation Agreement and under a protocol with the Ministry of Higher Education, and the University's degrees have equal status in Egypt with those awarded by Egyptian national universities.

Non-Discrimination
The University admits students of any race, color or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the University. Students are not subject to discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion or ethnic origin in the administration of the University's academic policies, admission policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.
We are pleased that you have chosen to learn more about The American University in Cairo. This general announcement will introduce you to our educational goals, our academic programs, our campus and our services.

AUC is a unique place in which to study. It has been an educational bridge between the Arab world and the West for more than sixty years. It provides a Western-style, liberal arts education in the Middle East and helps to increase knowledge of and foster respect for the Middle East in the West. Moreover, AUC fulfills the important educational function of encouraging cooperation and exchange between the United States and Egypt.

This booklet gives you an excellent perspective on the University’s programs. Student or parent, visitor or professional educator, we invite you to find out about us in these pages. If you want to enroll or know more we will be glad to send you our full catalog.

Established in 1919, The American University in Cairo began classes with 142 students. Its aim was to offer an American-style education to students in the Middle East. While respecting the cultural values of the Islamic world, the University provided a strong liberal arts education, lectures on contemporary topics, specialized language instruction, and services to the public.

Throughout the turbulent events of the past half-century and shifts in U.S.-Egyptian relations, AUC has remained an important and influential institution within Egypt and the Middle East.

Classes originally were held in the 19th century villa of a former Minister of Education, Khairy Pasha. This building remains the center of the University, which now covers parts of two and one-half city blocks and serves 2500 academic and 10,000 adult education students.

Today the former villa houses the University’s administrative offices and some of its classrooms. Various additions completed over the years have expanded its uses while preserving its grandeur. These additions include Ewart Hall, the largest auditorium in downtown Cairo, and Oriental Hall, an outstanding replica of Ottoman design and architecture. Around the building shaded walks and lawns nestle next to courts for tennis, basketball and other sports.

In the last three decades the University has significantly enlarged its facilities, adding a modern science building, a student center, and a dormitory, as well as a second campus site which includes a theater and buildings for the social sciences, adult education and the press. In 1982, the University dedicated a new library building, bringing a modern facility and additional study space to AUC students.

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Richard F. Pedersen
President
Cairo, capital of Egypt, is a vital, growing city, undergoing the rapid social and cultural change characteristic of the contemporary Middle East. Located at the convergence of Upper and Lower Egypt, where the Nile valley broadens into a fertile delta, Cairo lies between the rocky bluffs of the Moqattam Hills on one side and the Western Desert on the other.

Heir to many of the world’s greatest cultures, Egypt is dotted with monuments from Pharaonic, Coptic, Graeco-Roman, Islamic and Ottoman periods. Today Cairo is the chief city and cultural magnet of the Arab world. It binds together a civilization stretching across western and northern Africa, through the ancient lands of the eastern Mediterranean, into the countries of southern Asia, playing a major role in the politics, economy, art and literature of the region.

Just off the city’s busiest downtown square, two blocks east of the mighty Nile, is the campus of The American University in Cairo. Outside its walls is the bustle of traffic and people. Inside, the palm trees and shaded walks that welcome students to the AUC campus provide what one visitor called “a cool oasis of greenery and unhurried academic life.” The campus is close to the Egyptian Museum, government ministries, foreign embassies and cultural centers.

Students who come to AUC have a singular opportunity to observe and to absorb the dynamics of life in the largest city in the Middle East and Africa and one of the largest in the world. It is an education in itself, certain to stimulate and to engender self-confidence.

To anyone interested in the process of development, Cairo offers many opportunities for observation. A variety of governments and international organizations fund projects encompassing nearly the entire range of development concerns -- from massive capital interventions, like the Cairo subway, to human resource projects, such as family planning, business and medical education and renewable energy. Some have contributed to AUC’s programs and facilities and helped the University move into the mainstream of this important area.

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AUC's academic student body comprises some 2,500 students from some fifty countries. About 75 percent of these students are from Egypt, 7.5 percent from the United States, 10 percent from other Arab countries and 7.5 percent from Africa and elsewhere.

Annual admissions typically include about 500 beginning students, 200 year abroad and non-degree students and 100 graduate students. Requirements for admission are rigorous, and demand for places greatly exceeds available space. The talented Egyptian students admitted to AUC come from the top five percent of the nation's secondary school graduates.

Most of the undergraduate students at AUC from North American colleges and universities are non-degree students. Some North Americans also attend AUC as degree candidates. The largest number of non-degree students in any one discipline are usually studying Arabic. The social sciences, in particular, Egyptology, political science, anthropology, history, economics, and sociology, are also popular, especially those courses with a Middle Eastern orientation, and collectively enroll the largest number of students. Other non-degree and degree students pursue a wide range of academic studies in the humanities and natural sciences. Graduate fields of principal interest to Americans are Arabic studies.

American and European universities, such as the University of California, Oxford and Cambridge (U.K.), Columbia, Harvard, the University of Missouri, Ohio State, the University of Pittsburgh, Princeton and Stanford, is indicative of their caliber and quality.

African undergraduates, who make up another large group of foreign students at AUC, are almost evenly divided between science and engineering on the one hand and the social sciences and business administration on the other. African graduate students are concentrated in the humanities and social sciences.

AUC's classes are small, enabling students to receive individual attention from their professors. And the friendly and intimate atmosphere of the campus, with its small student body, allows foreign and Egyptian students to build friendships and to learn from each other.

The success of AUC graduates in pursuing advanced degrees in graduate departments of major

Rajiv Roy-Chaudhury, 19 India
Sophomore. Economics

"It is exciting to be so close to all the news that you've only read about before. I enjoy meeting the many foreign students, especially from the U.S., who are deeply interested in the Middle East and in talking to you about the issues."

Aoshachew Bozale, 24, Ethiopia
Sophomore. Economics

"To me, AUC's position as a link between two cultures is most important. While still being in Africa in an environment familiar to me, it shows me what a Western nation is like. It is a good way for me to become accustomed to the West before I actually go there, as I hope to do sometime in the future."
The academic programs at The American University in Cairo reflect sixty years of testing and growth. This continuity enables the University to present an integrated curriculum, sensitive to the needs of Egyptians and other Arabs pursuing an American-style education and of Westerners interested in the Middle East.

In an effort to bridge the cultures of East and West, the University offers undergraduate students a high concentration of courses within their major, a characteristic of Egyptian education; yet, following the approach taken by American institutions, AUC stresses the importance of a liberal arts education. Students are required to take courses and to explore subjects in a diversity of disciplines to acquire a core of general knowledge.

Required is an introduction to the humanities and to the social and natural sciences, most of the concepts of which are applicable in both Arab and Western societies. Moreover, core courses in the humanities and social sciences emphasize knowledge, attitudes, techniques and applications significant to both civilizations.

With the exception of Arabic language and literature courses, all subjects are taught in English. Foreign degree students, however, are required to complete one year of either classical or colloquial Egyptian Arabic, and non-degree students are encouraged to do the same.

The academic year is divided into two semesters. There also is a six-week summer term. A normal program of study consists of five courses per semester totalling fifteen credit hours for bachelor of arts students, seventeen hours for most bachelor of science students, and eighteen hours for engineering students.

Educators have long appreciated the contribution to a student's education of academic experience abroad, and more and more students from America are thus choosing to spend a year or a semester away from their home university. The American University in Cairo provides international students with a rare opportunity to study in a rapidly developing country and to gain first-hand knowledge and experience of Arab and Islamic culture.

Year Abroad applicants are usually sophomores or juniors. They enroll as nondegree undergraduates and may transfer credit to their home institution toward their bachelor degrees. Students should check with their own university to determine the amount and type of credit transferable. Others who already have undergraduate degrees also sometimes enroll as non-degree students, usually in the Intensive Arabic program.

AUC has specific Year Abroad agreements with the University of California, Pitzer, Duke, Georgetown, Macalester, Saint Thomas, Brown and Williams. Students also come from a wide spectrum of other institutions. In the past two years, some of the schools represented were:

- American University
- Amherst College
- Davidson College
- George Washington
- Harvard
- Indiana
- McGill University
- Mills
- Oberlin
- Ohio State
- Princeton

State University of New York
- Stanford
- Tufts
- University of Alabama
- University of Iowa
- University of Michigan
- University of Ottawa
- University of Texas
- University of Virginia
- University of Wisconsin
- Utah State

The AUC library is used as a resource by all the University's programs.

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Students may spend either a semester or the entire academic year at AUC. They also may come for the summer session. While semester and summer attendance is growing, most students agree that the greatest benefit is derived from spending a full academic year at AUC; doing so gives them ample time to adjust to life in Cairo and to gain maximum advantage from the great cultural diversity of Egypt.

Year Abroad students select courses according to their interests and the program requirements of their home college or university. Most take humanities or social science courses, often those dealing with Egyptian and Middle Eastern culture and society. A typical selection of courses might include the following:

**First Semester**
- Arabic Language-Classical or Egyptian Colloquial
- Introduction to Islamic Art and Architecture
- Social Problems of the Middle East
- World Media Systems

**Second Semester**
- Arabic Language
- Economics of Africa
- Modern Arabic Literature in Translation
- Political and Social Thought in the Modern Arab World
- International Business

AUC advisors and facilities are geared to meet the needs of Year Abroad and other foreign students. A special advisor in the Office of Student Affairs is available to answer questions and to provide assistance with academic and other problems. An orientation program for new foreign students is given in the fall. Throughout the academic year, the Student Union and various clubs organize trips in which foreign students are encouraged to participate. These extracurricular activities and field trips are arranged to provide an introduction to the people, history, places and cultural background of Cairo and Egypt.

Approximately 1000 students from Egypt and some 25 other countries each year attend AUC’s summer session, which lasts from mid-June through the end of July. Students may take either one or two three-credit courses. Summer courses include those most demanded by AUC degree students during the academic year, such as Arab Society, Survey of Arab History and graduate courses in applied linguistics for teaching English or Arabic as a foreign language. They also include subjects of particular interest to students from the U.S. or elsewhere, such as Islamic Art and Architecture, Egyptology, Arabic Literature, and Management. In summer, the Arabic Language Unit offers beginning intensive colloquial Arabic and conducts the Center for Arabic Study Abroad (CASA) program in intensive literary and colloquial Arabic.

University and other programs available to summer students include performances of Arabic music, poetry readings, folk dancing, films and art shows. An informal intramural athletic program offers basketball, volleyball, tennis, soccer and table tennis. Seminars and special lectures by distinguished visitors are also occasionally arranged.

Provisions offered during the summer term for housing, board, medical and other University services are the same as those offered during the regular school year.

**Services to Other Universities**

Both in the summer and during the academic year AUC arranges joint programs or assists in organizing programs in Egypt for American universities. Services from AUC include providing academic courses and public lectures, class and meeting facilities, organizing local study tours, and providing local administration. In recent years such programs have included Middle East curriculum development, Egyptian or Middle East study programs, and other academic programs for the University of Utah, De Pauw, Macalester, the National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations, Williams, the University of Maryland, Saint Olaf, and others. AUC plans such programs both for students and for faculty development at university and secondary level.
AUC annually confers bachelor’s and master’s degrees on about 500 students from seven academic units, most of which include more than one discipline. Within each discipline a wide range of courses is offered. Some are listed below. Not all courses listed are offered every year. (For a complete listing and course description, see the University catalog.)

The Department of Economics, Political Science and Mass Communication offers both Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees in these three disciplines. It is also possible to minor in any of these subjects. While providing students with a firm grounding in their chosen disciplines, the program in each of these areas also focuses on the practical problems of development, in order to produce students who are both educated in and sensitive to the problems and prospects of the Middle East.

A Sample of Course Offerings
Comparative Economic Systems
Economic Development
International Trade
Economics of Egypt
Economic Development in the Middle East
International Politics in the Middle East
Cairo, Problems and Prospects
Seminar on Rural Egypt
Political and Social Thought in the Modern Arab World

Seminar on Twentieth Century Egypt
Seminar in Mass Communication and National Development
Problems of Mass Communication and National Development
World Media Systems and International Image

Dr. Gail Gerhart
Professor of Political Science
“The AUC experience gives students a new sense of perspective on themselves and the culture out of which they come. AUC is a microcosm where North and South, East and West all meet and any student educated at AUC (Arab, African, or American) emerges well-prepared to function in, and make a constructive contribution to, life in our ever-smaller world.”
The Center for Arabic Studies (CAS) is the vehicle for all aspects of academic Arabic and Middle Eastern studies. Its Arabic Language Unit (ALU) offers intensive (full-time) courses in beginning, intermediate and advanced Arabic for those who wish to develop a working knowledge of written and spoken Arabic for their academic or professional work. The ALU also provides intensive Arabic language training to American students with at least two years of prior Arabic instruction, through the Center for Arabic Study Abroad (CASA) program representing a consortium of American universities including AUC and financed by the U.S. Office of Education.

Academic credit at home universities can usually be obtained for AUC's intensive Arabic courses.

Another component of CAS, the Department of Arabic Studies, teaches credit courses in Arabic and offers Bachelor of Arts degrees in the following areas:

- Arabic Studies, with a concentration in Arabic Language and Literature or in Islamic Art and Architecture; Middle Eastern History; and Middle East Studies (an interdepartmental major).

Master of Arts degrees are offered in the following areas:

- Arabic Studies, with a concentration in Islamic Art and Architecture, Arabic Language and Literature or Middle Eastern History; Teaching Arabic as a Foreign Language (TAFL); Middle East Studies (interdepartmental).

Students may minor in the following areas: Arabic Language, Classical Arabic Literature, Classical-Medieval Islamic History, Islamic Art and Architecture, Modern Arabic Literature or Modern Middle Eastern History.

"Art and Architecture in the City of Cairo" is one of the most popular courses offered by the CAS. Here, Professor Bernard O'Kane leads a visit to the Mosque of Suleiman Pasha, one of the course's many field trips.

Minors in European-World History and in History of the United States are also offered.

A Sample of Course Offerings

Survey of Ancient Egyptian History
Arab Islamic Civilization in the Classical Age
Survey of Modern Arabic Literature
Survey of Classical Arabic Literature

The Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Psychology offers Bachelor of Arts degrees in all three areas and in Egyptology (Interdepartmental) and a Master of Arts degree in Sociology-Anthropology. Minors are offered in Sociology, Anthropology, Psychology and Egyptology. The department follows an interdisciplinary approach to the study of Middle Eastern issues, social conditions and problems of development.

A Sample of Course Offerings

Arab Society
Religious and Symbolic Systems Development Theories and Problems in Developing Countries

Sira, Hadith and Tafsir
Painting in Islam
Muslim Political Thought
Art and Architecture of Cairo
Modern Arabic Literature in Translation
Islamic Art and Architecture in Egypt and Syria
Modern Arabic Poetry
Studies in Ibn Khaldun

Structure and Process in Egyptian Society
Comparative Health and Healing Systems
Cultural Anthropology
Egyptology: Hieroglyphics
Culture and Society of Ancient Egypt
Kinship, Marriage and Social Structure
Ethnography of the Middle East and North Africa
Psychology of Exceptional Children
Theories of Personality
Cognitive Development
Abnormal Psychology

A lower faculty/student ratio facilitates better understanding.
Dr Mahmoud Farag
Professor of Engineering

"AUC combines the values and cultures of the two nations and therefore exposes the students to a richer and wider range of experience."

Mona Karmel
Colloquial Arabic teacher

"I enjoy teaching because there is so much life and creativity in it. Students learn more of life at AUC."

Kim Khouri Haddad, 21 U.S.A.
Junior Year Abroad, Economics, Development and Health

"Coming to AUC has proven to be one of the smartest things I've ever done, as I have learned more here than in my previous years at college—not just academically, but more within myself."

Hans Muller, 28 Germany
Master's candidate, Middle East Studies

"I find the extreme differences contained in AUC to be stimulating and exciting—the different people, the different academic possibilities. The Middle East Studies program in particular synthesizes a broad spectrum of varying concerns."
The Abdul Latif Jameel Center for Middle East Management Studies offers a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration, which provides students with a background in the liberal arts while enabling them to develop expertise in business management and practices. The Center also offers a Master of Business Administration (MBA) and a Master of Public Administration (MPA), with curricula emphasizing the principles underlying business operations and government functions, as well as advanced technical knowledge in relevant specializations.

A Sample of Course Offerings
- Methods of Administrative Research and Analysis
- Administrative Environment in Egypt
- Comparative Management
- Problems of Development Administration
- Export Management and International Marketing
- Management of International Business
- International Financial Management
- Human Behavior in the Modern Enterprise
- Comparative Administration
- Business and Society
- Personnel Management

The English Language Institute was established to provide intensive English instruction to students needing additional training to prepare them for enrollment in AUC college-level courses conducted in English. The Institute today also pursues a diverse program which includes in-service training and graduate education. It offers a Master of Arts degree in Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) and a Graduate Diploma in TEFL (requiring only one year of course work). Master of Arts candidates may apply for teaching fellowships.

A Sample of Course Offerings
- Testing and Evaluation in Language Teaching
- Psychological Factors in Language Learning
- Contrastive Study of English and Arabic
- Methods of Teaching a Foreign Language
- Phonology
- Research Methods and Experimental Design

Dr. Cynthia Nelson
Professor of Anthropology

"Perhaps a bit of 'culture shock' is good for everyone. It changes one's perspective and teaches a bit of humility. Egyptian or foreign, we can all do with a bit more of that."

Lamia Al-Maghary, 20 Oman
Junior, Anthropology/English Literature

"At AUC you get an education beyond the classroom. There is a diverse mixture of people and views—it's very interesting to hear what other people think both in and out of the classroom. And there is much more to AUC than the campus itself—Cairo the city helps you grow. In Cairo you are faced with reality to a greater extent than at most colleges, and you adapt correspondingly."
English and Comparative Literature

The Department of English and Comparative Literature offers both a Bachelor of Arts and a Master of Arts degree. English and Comparative Literature may also be chosen as a minor. Courses in theater and in philosophy are offered in this department as well.

A Sample of Course Offerings

Critical Approaches to Literature

History of Literary Criticism
Literature of the Renaissance
Shakespeare
Selected Topics in French Literature
Modern and Contemporary Literature
Modern Poets
Theater Art
Logic and Scientific Method
Selected Topics in Philosophy

Engineering

The Department of Engineering offers a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering, and a Master of Science degree in Materials Engineering.

A Sample of Course Offerings

Thermodynamics

Mechanical Design
Materials and Process Selection
Fluid Mechanics
Composite Materials
Quality Control and Reliability
Atomic Behavior of Solids

Science

The Department of Science offers a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry, Physics or Mathematics, and a Master of Science degree in Solid State Science. Students may minor in Computer Science, Electronics or Mathematics. A Computer Science major has been approved for implementation in 1985.

A Sample of Course Offerings

Organic and Monomer Chemistry
Quantum Mechanics
Network Design and Computer Methods
Automatic Control
Electronic Phenomena in Solids
Probability and Statistics
Assembly Languages and Microprocessors

AUC is proud of its faculty, which is comprised of professors from around the world and which includes a former member of Egypt's parliament and four winners of Egypt's National Science Award.

Almost as diverse as the student body, half the faculty is Egyptian, about forty percent come from the United States, and the remaining ten percent come from Europe, the Middle East, Africa and elsewhere. Such diversity enriches learning experience, introduces new perspectives and improves educational practices.

With a full-time teaching faculty of 140 and a part-time faculty of 90, the University has a teacher-student ratio of one to thirteen. Courses are taught in English under American university standards, emphasizing the independent thinking and close student-faculty contact of American educational institutions, while remaining sensitive to the values and culture of the Arab world.

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In addition to its teaching and training functions, The American University in Cairo is committed to contributing to Egyptian society, to regional advancement and to encouraging development through applied research. Two research units exemplify this dedication:

**Social Research**

The Social Research Center (SRC) which engages in applied social research, including action research and development of training programs and program evaluation, with three emphases:

- Urban Development, Rural Development, and Population and Family Planning. The SRC is the oldest center for social research in the Middle East.

Desert Development

Desert Development Demonstration and Training (DDDT) which undertakes research on alternative, economically viable, integrated approaches to agricultural and community development on arid lands. The project maintains two sites in the Western Desert between Cairo and Alexandria and carries out applied research on technological, biological and community aspects of desert development systems.

Its goal is to develop and demonstrate replicable alternative patterns and facilities for the establishment of viable arid land communities in Egypt.

In addition to undergraduate and graduate degrees, the University offers a variety of non-degree courses and programs. A separate administrative unit is responsible for each program, as described below. Students in North America may obtain further information from the New York Office of AUC. Others may write directly to AUC.

**Intensive Arabic**

The Arabic Language Unit (ALU) of AUC's Center for Arabic Studies offers intensive instruction in Arabic language at the beginning, intermediate and advanced levels. Students engage in full-time study within the ALU, spending approximately twenty hours per week in class. Emphasis is on both reading and writing Modern Standard Arabic and on speaking colloquial Egyptian Arabic. Each course runs from September to June with an optional summer session. New beginning students may take colloquial Egyptian Arabic during the summer. Other new students are accepted only in the fall. Students include scholars, businessmen, diplomats and others with an interest in the Arabic language.

**Intensive English**

The English Language Institute provides non-degree courses for students whose command of English does not meet University requirements. Focusing on grammar and composition, the Institute teaches written and oral language skills in preparation for undergraduate or graduate work.
Adult and Continuing Education

The Center for Adult and Continuing Education (CACE) includes the Division of Public Service (DPS), the Division of Commercial and Industrial Training (CIT) and the University Press.

Some 10,000 adult, part-time students are enrolled in continuing education courses offered by the Division of Public Service. These Egyptians from all walks of life take classes in English, computer science and information systems, and business skills, including accounting, secretarial studies, salesmanship and marketing. Here too, academic students or foreigners living in Cairo have an opportunity to take courses in colloquial and literary Arabic, and bilingual students may study translation and simultaneous interpretation.

The Division of Commercial and Industrial Training serves enterprises with specific training needs. It is organized to meet governmental and corporate requirements and schedules on an individually tailored basis according to their needs and schedules. It concentrates on business, commercial and secretarial skills. Courses in Intensive English and Intensive Arabic are also offered on the same individually-organized basis.

Western publishers. The press operates its own printshop with up-to-date equipment, providing printing and duplicating services to the University and other Cairo institutions. The University bookshops are also administered by the Press.

STUDENT LIFE AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

The extracurricular activities available at AUC are numerous and varied, reflecting the diverse background of the students. Some events are sponsored and organized by the faculty and administration, but many are initiated by Egyptian and foreign students themselves.

The Student Union at AUC is composed of representatives from almost every major. It provides student representation on University committees and governs the activities of student clubs and organizations.

Student clubs are active on campus and provide a meeting ground for students with similar interests. They also provide a place for Egyptian and foreign students to build friendships outside of class. Some clubs are formed by students from similar backgrounds or geographic areas, like the African Students Association. Others focus on specific interests, such as the Arabic Poetry Club, Computer Club, Photo Club, Oriental Club, Science Society and Al-Quds (Jerusalem) Friends Club. Still others, such as the Community Services Society and the Boulaq project, which aids primary school students in one of Cairo's poorest neighborhoods, are organized to provide services to the wider Egyptian community.

AUC's new Student Center (Hill House) includes an exercise gym, bookstore, alumni lounges, student offices and lounge, computer center engineering drawing labs, classrooms, lecture and meeting halls, and banquet serving facilities.
The friendly and intimate atmosphere of the campus allows foreign and Egyptian students to build friendships and to learn from each other.

Concerts and lectures covering a wide variety of topics are held frequently at AUC. Interesting and sometimes controversial, the lectures feature academics and practitioners from AUC, Cairo, the broader Middle East, the United States and elsewhere. In addition, a Distinguished Visiting Professor Program provides an enriching element by bringing a number of leading academic figures to AUC from abroad for public lectures and one or two weeks work with classes. AUC is fortunate that its location makes it a popular stopping place for traveling scholars, diplomats, businessmen, politicians and artists. As a result, the campus annually attracts visiting public lecturers such as Former Ambassador to the United Nations Donald McHenry, African political scientist Ali Mazrui, authors Robert Penn Warren and John Fowles, playwright Arthur Miller and numerous American senators, congressmen and businessmen.

A variety of musical performances also take place at the University. Concerts feature both Arabic and Western music performed by Egyptian groups — the Cairo Symphony for example — and international artists and groups on tour. In addition, AUC's Ewart Hall auditorium is chosen by many foreign cultural centers to host public programs of music from their own countries.

The major student publication at AUC is 'The Caravan', a newspaper published weekly in English and Arabic. All interested students are encouraged to participate. Reporters, photographers and students with writing skills or artistic talent are especially welcome.

'Ali' is an Arabic-English literary magazine.

'Cairo Papers in Social Science' publishes monographs and a variety of Middle Eastern research studies and conference proceedings.

'Theater productions are popular at AUC. Made up of students of many nationalities, the AUC Theater Company produces plays in English and in Arabic. The smaller 'La Troupe Francaise' performs plays in French. Student actors perform in several plays each year, one of which is usually student-directed. Productions range from Shakespeare to works by contemporary playwrights like Tennessee Williams. The University has three stages. When not in use by AUC, they occasionally showcase outside productions.'
The Sports Department at AUC offers a variety of athletic activities for men and women, as well as a strong intramural program which all students are invited to join. AUC students also successfully compete nationally in Egypt in most of the sports mentioned below. AUC has two tennis courts, a small soccer court, a basketball/volleyball court and an exercise gym.

Although campus athletic facilities are limited, such sports as the following are emphasized at AUC:

- Basketball
- Table Tennis
- Fencing
- Taekwondo
- Football (Soccer)
- Tennis
- Handball
- Volleyball
- Swimming and rowing are available through AUC's associations with local clubs and other universities.

Trips and tours are regularly sponsored by the University and student organizations. Most of these are open to all students and involve travel to places within Egypt, such as Alexandria, Luxor and Aswan, as well as to foreign countries. The Arabic Language Unit sponsors frequent trips which other students may join if space is available.

Et cetera. In addition to the organized activities mentioned above, there is a limitless array of things for students to see and do on their own in Cairo and throughout Egypt, such as taking felluca rides on the Nile.

Foreign students may find, however, that it generally takes a month or two to learn about events and to discover pastimes of interest to them. For those in the mood for a real Egyptian experience, there are the popular cafes where locals drink endless cups of tea and Turkish coffee and play backgammon and chess. For those who miss some of the diversions of home, there are many nightspots frequented by both Egyptians and foreigners, featuring everything from Western rock to jazz, from disco to opera.

Cairo is also full of restaurants offering food within the budget of any foreign student, ranging from French cuisine to traditional Middle Eastern falafel, foul and feteer. And shops with fresh-squeezed fruit juices may be found on virtually every other block.

There are also countless interesting and historic sites for AUCians to explore during the year; the Pyramids, various museums and some of Islam's most beautiful mosques.
Housing

The University maintains two dormitories which together house about 150 students. The six-floor dormitory on Falaki Street, a block from the University, is for women. Across the Nile in the quiet residential district of Zamalek, is a second dormitory, reserved for men. Both have furnished single and double rooms. Linen and free laundry service are provided, and kitchen facilities are available.

Both dormitories house some Egyptian students, but the majority of residents are from other countries. Although Western students sometimes find AUC dormitory regulations restrictive, as they reflect Middle Eastern cultural norms, there are obvious benefits to sharing living space with students from the Middle East and other countries.

Medical Services

Basic health care is provided to students through the AUC clinic, where a medical doctor is on duty daily during clinic hours. In cases of emergency, the physician will call on students in their dormitories and/or refer them to specialists if necessary. AUC also has arrangements with other doctors and with Cairo hospitals to treat emergencies or serious illness.

All foreign students are required to carry medical insurance to cover the expense of medical care not provided through the clinic and for some clinic services.

The AUC Computer Center is used by students in computer science, as well as by individual or institutional researchers, especially those in the Social Research Center and the Center for Arabic Studies. With its staff of four programmers, two system analysts, two assistant programmers, three data preparation and five data entry specialists, the Center operates the major components of the University information system. In addition to services provided to AUC departments and units, the Center also undertakes research projects for outside agencies, such as the Faculty of Science at Ain Shams University and advanced graduate students from other Egyptian institutions.

The Center is equipped with an IBM 4331 J2 virtual system, which includes a J2 processor, 1 megabyte real memory (16 megabyte capability), two 570 megabyte disc units, two tape units, a diskette input/output unit and 16 terminals. Two of the latter are capable of Arabic, as well as Latin, script.

The Audio-Visual Resources Center has four teacher-controlled language laboratories, three listening rooms and two audiovisual rooms, with a total capacity for 220 students. In addition to having the best language recording facilities in the Middle East, the Center has a well-equipped library of motion pictures, filmstrips, tapes and language materials. It is a resource for language classes, the TEFL and TAFI programs and general student use.
AUC's new library, comparable to those at universities of similar size in the United States, is outstanding in the Middle East. It is the largest English library and the second largest academic library in Egypt. Completed in 1982, the new $3 million library building has a 400,000-volume capacity to house its growing collections. The library currently numbers 185,000 volumes, including 30,000 in Arabic, and 1,500 periodical subscriptions.

AUC's library system also contains notable special collections. One is the Creswell Library, located in AUC's Center for Arabic Studies, comprising one of the world's finest collections on Islamic art and architecture. Also housed in this library is the Debanne Collection, an impressive group of primarily 18th and 19th century books on Egypt.

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