



# *The AUC Profile*

2004 - 2005

# **THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY IN CAIRO**

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Founded in 1919, the American University in Cairo is an independent and nonprofit institution. The university's mission is to provide high quality educational opportunities to students from all segments of Egyptian society as well as from other countries and to contribute to Egypt's cultural and intellectual life. The university offers programs at the undergraduate, graduate and professional levels as well as an extensive continuing education program. The university advances the ideals of American liberal arts, professional education and life-long learning.

The university provides an English language environment designed to advance proficient use of the tools of learning as well as students' thinking capabilities, language and personal skills. AUC considers it essential to foster students' appreciation of their own culture and heritage and their responsibilities to society.

The university has a highly-qualified, international faculty from the United States, Egypt and eighteen other countries. Emphasis is placed on excellence in teaching as well as on research, creative work and faculty members' intellectual contributions to their disciplines.

## **INSTITUTIONAL ACCREDITATION AND AFFILIATIONS**

- AUC is accredited in the United States by the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools.
- In Egypt, AUC operates within the framework of a 1975 protocol with the Egyptian government which in turn is based on a 1962 cultural relations agreement between the Egyptian and the United States governments.
- In the United States of America, AUC is licensed to grant degrees and is incorporated by the state of Delaware.
- AUC is governed by a board of trustees and is administered by a chief executive officer appointed by this board. Paul B. Hannon is the chairman of the Board of Trustees and David D. Arnold is the President.

## ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

### STUDENT CHARACTERISTICS

Enrollment figures in the following tables are given in terms of headcount, meaning that each individual is counted as “one” regardless of whether the person is enrolled part-time, full time, or in multiple majors.

<b>UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS</b>	<b>STUDENTS IN FALL</b>		
	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>
<b>Bachelor of Arts</b>			
Accounting	102	119	119
Anthropology	26	17	18
Arabic Studies	2	3	3
Art	19	26	44
Business Administration	256	312	355
Economics	288	237	176
Egyptology	8	8	13
English & Comparative Literature	13	18	26
Journalism & Mass Communication	328	401	481
Middle Eastern History	2	2	0
Middle East Studies	4	9	11
Modern History	1	6	15
Philosophy	13	16	22
Political Science	366	300	262
Psychology	108	94	93
Sociology	27	20	19
Theater	21	19	21
<b>Bachelor of Science</b>			
Actuarial Science	na	na	6
Biology	37	52	51
Chemistry	26	21	31
Computer Science	269	293	306
Construction Engineering	142	123	154
Electronics Engineering	58	87	145
Engineering (specialty undeclared)	292	270	133
Mathematics	53	27	12
Mechanical Engineering	226	241	289
Physics	52	41	33
<b>Undeclared</b> (Includes English Language Institute)	1,452	1,201	1,102
<b>Undergraduate Degree Totals</b>	4,191	3,963	3,940

### MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMS

<b>Master of Arts</b>			
Arabic Studies	32	32	36
Economics	48	60	60
Economics - International Development	na	na	25
English & Comparative Literature	21	23	19
Mass Communication	46	59	62
Middle East Studies	33	40	43
Political Science	119	148	161

	2002	2003	2004
Sociology & Anthropology	46	47	49
Teaching Arabic as a Foreign Language	19	29	29
Teaching English as a Foreign Language	48	49	56
<b>Master of Business Administration</b>	152	150	155
<b>Master of Law (LL.M.)</b>	na	na	25
<b>Master of Public Administration</b>	52	50	49
<b>Master of Science</b>			
Computer Science	82	77	66
Engineering	100	85	77
Physics	13	18	16
<b>Master's Degree Totals</b>	811	867	928

## ATTRIBUTES OF STUDENTS SEEKING DEGREES

	TOTAL STUDENTS	GENDER		NATIONALITY	
		Male	Female	Egyptian	Other
Fall 2002	5,002	47.7%	52.3%	89.8%	10.2%
Fall 2003	4,830	46.0%	54.0%	89.3%	10.7%
Fall 2004	4,868	47.0%	53.0%	89.4%	10.6%

## SPECIAL (NOT SEEKING A DEGREE) ACADEMIC PROGRAM STUDENTS

	2002	2003	2004
<b>Graduate Diplomas</b>			
Forced Migration & Refugee Studies	12	15	13
Islamic Studies	2	6	6
Management	3	0	0
Television Journalism	na	na	3
<b>Arabic Language Institute</b>	73	73	104
<b>Center for Arabic Study Abroad</b>	16	26	28
<b>Other (study abroad, and all others)</b>	152	196	272
<b>Special Academic Program Totals</b>	258	316	426
<b>All Academic Student Totals</b>	5,260	5,146	5,294

## ATTRIBUTES OF ALL ACADEMIC STUDENTS (DEGREE & NOT SEEKING A DEGREE)

	TOTAL STUDENTS	GENDER		NATIONALITY	
		Male	Female	Egyptian	Other
Fall 2002	5,260	47.5%	52.5%	86.2%	13.8%
Fall 2003	5,146	45.9%	54.1%	84.6%	15.4%
Fall 2004	5,294	46.7%	53.3%	83.1%	16.9%

## CENTER FOR ADULT AND CONTINUING EDUCATION

The Center for Adult and Continuing Education (CACE) provides certificate programs, non-credit semester-length courses and variable-length customized courses to fulfill the continuing education needs of individuals and organizations in Egypt and the Middle East. CACE's regularly scheduled courses and certificate programs are offered in downtown Cairo, Heliopolis and Zamalek. Contracted courses are also conducted on-site at the organizations' facilities.

Following is a small sample of the kinds of programs that CACE offers: The Arabic/English/French/German translation programs provide skilled personnel for corporations, organizations and government agencies. Certified accounting preparation programs are offered annually. Twelve computer laboratories allow for state of the art computer training. English language training. Special summer youth programs provide academic enrichment, recreational opportunities and skill development for children.

CACE DIVISIONS	ENROLLMENTS
	FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004 Headcount*
Arabic & Translation	1,165
Business	4,145
Computer	3,118
USAID Programs	160
English	18,469
Special Studies	5,499
CACE TOTALS	32,556

\* Headcount: Each individual is counted once, whether enrolled in one or more than one program during the fiscal year.

### ATTRIBUTES OF CACE STUDENTS

	TOTAL	GENDER		NATIONALITY	
	STUDENTS	Male	Female	Egyptian	Other
FY 2003-04	32,556	58.3%	41.7%	95.2%	4.8%

### EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Below Secondary Education	1.9%
Secondary Education	52.1%
Bachelor Degrees	45.7%
Masters Degrees	0.2%
Doctoral Degrees	0.1%

## RESEARCH

Teaching research methods is an integral part of the American University in Cairo's academic programs. Individual faculty efforts, internally and externally funded projects, and the activities of the university's research centers represent AUC's commitment to research.

Studies in the Arab world, Southern Mediterranean, Turkey, the Caucasus, Iran and Africa are the primary focus of AUC's interdisciplinary Institute for Gender and Women's Studies. This institute serves as a center for a variety of research, educational program, policy debate and conference activities.

As part of the ongoing Theban Mapping Project in the upper Nile, including the Valley of the Kings and the Valley of the Queens, the rediscovery of the pharonic tomb KV5 ranks as one of the major archaeological discoveries of recent times.

An assessment of the needs of Ethiopian and Eritrean refugees in Cairo is an example of the activities of the Office of African Studies. This office promotes research and hosts public lectures, meetings and workshops on comparative culture and international topics related to Middle Eastern and African policy issues and problems.

Maternal and child health, social epidemiology studies, urbanization, poverty issues and sanitation are samples of the project topics of the Social Research Center. This center conducts and encourages research in Egypt and the Middle East, trains researchers, and assists students, scholars, and organizations engaged in social science research.

A "Socio-economic Baseline Survey in the New Lands of the East Delta" is an example of the projects of AUC's Desert Development Center. This center's mission is to improve the social and economic well-being of new desert settlers, using research, training and related activities which integrate agriculture, renewable energy and community research.

Compiling a "Companion to Modern Arabic Literature" is an example of the projects of the Arabic Studies Bio-Bibliographical Research Unit. This research unit gathers basic biographical information in Arabic and the major European languages and makes this material more readily available to scholars and researchers.

Research efforts throughout the University are promoted and supported by the Office of Graduate Studies and Research. In 2003-2004 this office administered \$366,807 in University funding to support research, research conferences and teaching enhancement grants involving 196 faculty members.

The Office of Sponsored Programs develops and works with external funding for research, training and public service projects. It assists faculty in preparation of proposals and obtaining funding for research from external sources.

## UNIQUE FEATURES AND SPECIAL SERVICES

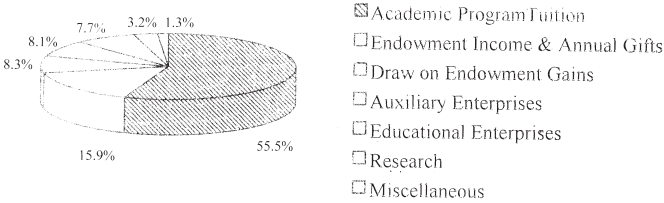
- The Rare Books and Special Collections Library includes world class collections on 18th/19th century Egypt and on Islamic art and architecture. Its holdings encompass over 50,000 books, photographs, slides, maps and other items on Pharaonic, Islamic and modern Egypt, as well as other Middle Eastern countries.
- Two United States accreditation boards have awarded accreditation for the first time to university programs outside of the USA. AUC's undergraduate program in computer science is accredited by the Computer Science Accreditation Board (CSAB) and AUC's undergraduate programs in engineering are accredited by the Accreditation Board of Engineering and Technology (ABET).
- The AUC Press is the region's leading English-language publisher. With over 50 new titles each year the AUC Press maintains more than 500 titles in print including most notably the translated works of Nobel Laureate Naguib Mahfouz.
- Fall 2004 new programs include a Graduate Diploma in Television Journalism, a BS in Actuarial Science, an MA in Economics/International Development, and an LL.M. in International and Comparative Law.
- The Institute of Management Development offers non-credit executive training, research and advisory services to public and private sector organizations in Egypt, the Middle East and Africa.
- The Engineering Services unit meets the professional development, specialized training, advisory and research needs of practicing engineers in the Egyptian public and private sectors.
- The Center for Arabic Study Abroad (CASA) is a consortium of AUC and United States universities that provides an advanced Arabic program for American graduate and undergraduate students.
- The English Language Institute (ELI) provides English skills development and offers a master's degree in Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL).
- The Arabic Language Institute (ALI) offers basic Arabic language instruction, programs in written and spoken Arabic and a master's degree in Teaching Arabic as a Foreign Language (TAFL).
- The graduate diploma program in Forced Migration and Refugee Studies meets the professional training needs of people working with refugees and fosters research on forced migration issues.
- The Office of Career Advising and Placement Services supports students and alumni in career development and professional placement activities.
- The enrollment of students from 108 different countries during Fall semester 2004 indicates the geographical and cultural diversity of AUC's student body.
- Students from 62 countries attend AUC's summer sessions which run every year from mid-June through the end of July.

# OPERATING BUDGET

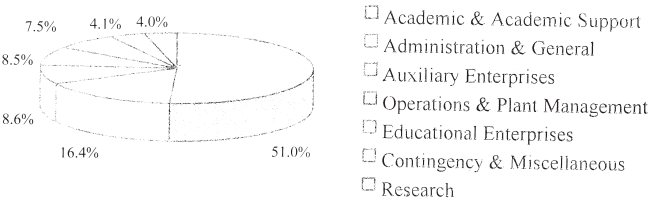
Fiscal Year	2003-2004	2004-2005
Operating Expenses	\$62,066,000	\$67,516,000

## BUDGET FOR 2004-2005

### INCOME



### EXPENDITURES



The percentages above are based on the 2004-2005 operating budget as of May 2004.

In 2003-04 AUC awarded \$14,074,511 in student financial aid, including achievement scholarships. In addition, work-study undergraduates earned \$133,105 and graduate fellowship students earned \$645,987 toward tuition payments.

Faculty, staff, and their dependents were provided the equivalent of \$2,031,856 in tuition waivers as a part of fringe benefits.

## **FACULTY**

Based on 303 full-time faculty in active teaching positions and 262 part-time faculty (who teach the equivalent of 120.6 full-time faculty) and an academic program enrollment of 5,294 students, the faculty to student ratio is 1 to 12.5. Adding faculty on sabbatical and other release time as well as librarians, researchers and administrators with faculty status there are 364 AUC faculty members. By nationality, the primary citizenship of this faculty is 51.9% from Egypt, 37.9% from the United States and 10.2% from other countries.

The Center for Adult and Continuing Education programs have 1 full-time teaching faculty and 425 part-time faculty as of October 2004. The number of part-time faculty for the fall semester will increase as additional courses and customized programs are added to the schedule in the last part of the semester.

## **LIBRARIES AND LEARNING TECHNOLOGIES**

The AUC Main Library and the Rare Books & Special Collections Library offer one of the most extensive research collections in Egypt. Current holdings include 338,415 volumes, over 1,693 current periodical subscriptions and 78 databases. Libraries and Learning Technologies include the Main Library, the Rare Books & Special Collections Library, Classroom Technologies and Media Services, Academic Computing Services, Web Communications, and the Center for Learning and Teaching.

## **SPORTS AND ATHLETICS**

AUC offers an extensive variety of men's and women's sports programs. Students also participate in 17 different competitive sports activities. Three hundred and eighteen student athletes representing AUC in the National Universities Tournament 2003/2004 placed seventh among 22 Egyptian universities. The AUC athletes won 36 medals (10 gold, 12 silver, and 14 bronze). AUC athletes also participated in African, Arab and other international championships.

## **PHYSICAL PLANT AND EQUIPMENT**

The main AUC campus is located in the center of Cairo on Tahrir Square and covers parts of five city blocks. Two additional large multipurpose buildings in the Zamalek and Heliopolis regions of Cairo serve as satellite campuses, and faculty/staff housing units are located throughout the Cairo metropolitan area. The total area of the university's owned and leased space is 110,554 square meters. AUC is in the process of creating a new campus for itself in the "New Cairo" area.

## GRADUATES AND ALUMNI

AUC has 20,338 graduates of degree programs. There are also over 6,000 alumni from ALU, CASA, and Study-Abroad programs. Additional thousands have been students in AUC non-degree, certificate and diploma programs and in short term classes. The Alumni Association has listings for 21,103 active alumni.

## RECENT GRADUATION STUDENT DATA

Graduation Dates		Undergraduate Students	Graduate Students	Annual Totals
February	1998	373	76	887
June	1998	340	98	
February	1999	354	71	841
June	1999	338	78	
February	2000	365	74	912
June	2000	394	79	
February	2001	318	77	796
June	2001	317	84	
February	2002	302	89	884
June	2002	386	107	
February	2003	410	78	919
June	2003	352	79	
February	2004	447	94	1,062
June	2004	429	92	

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