

جامعة الأخوين

AL AKHAWAYN
UNIVERSITY

OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS
AL AKHAWAYN UNIVERSITY IN IFRANE
Morocco



Exchange and Study Abroad Programs
INFORMATION SHEET FOR Spring 2023

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❖ ADDITIONAL CONTACTS

24 Hour Emergency Contact:

Housing Services: ☎ (212) 535 86 3333

(24/7 English Speaking staff on duty)

University Switchboard: ☎ (212) 535 85 2000

(English Speaking staff on duty except at night and holidays.)

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Address for Regular Mail and Courier Services:

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ACADEMIC PROGRAM INFORMATION

Al Akhawayn University in Ifrane (AUI) is an English medium of instruction institution. Course materials are normally in English however a few graduate level courses can require reading in Arabic or French.

The exchange and study abroad programs are normally open to undergraduates interested in courses in these schools with no restrictions other than university pre-requisites as stated in the catalog for each course. Pre-requisites of AUI courses should be respected but there are exceptions, and the academic advisor should be consulted. Graduate level courses may be open with permission from the instructor of the course.

Al Akhawayn University follows a North American Curriculum

Normal Course Load: 15 Credits (5 classes)

1 Course = 3 scholastic credit hours (SCH)

1 SCH = 15 contact hours

Minimum Credits per semester: 12 undergraduate, 9 graduates

❖ SEMESTER / PROGRAM DATES

<i>Semester 1 (Fall)</i>	Normally 3rd week of August to 3rd week of December
<i>Semester 2 (Spring)</i>	Normally 3 rd week of January to 3 rd week of May

❖ APPLICATION DEADLINES FOR EXCHANGE OR STUDY ABROAD

<i>Semester 1 (Fall)</i>	01 March (nominations), 15 March (online applications)
<i>Semester 2 (Spring)</i>	01 October (nominations), 15 October (online application)

❖ LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

Orientation:	Mandatory
Class size:	Average class size: 19; Range 15-40
Language class size	Usually no more than 12
Registration in classes:	Upon arrival and during registration
Seats reserved:	The OIP reserves seats in popular classes (but cannot guarantee)
Attendance:	Mandatory
Class Participation:	Normally required and usually encouraged

❖ ARRIVAL, DEPARTURE, AND ORIENTATION

Arrival:	International students should arrive at AUI in time to take part in the new student orientation program.
Orientation:	Exchange and study abroad students can be met at Fez airport or train station. Students pay the orientation fee upon arrival to AUI. Attendance is mandatory for all incoming international students.
Departure:	Students should plan to leave AUI within 2 days after the regularly scheduled last day of final exams.

❖ RULES AND REGULATIONS

All AUI rules and regulations apply to exchange and study abroad students. Rules to pay specific attention to are:

- 1) Strict sex segregation in dormitories/student residences. Males and females are not allowed to enter dormitories designated for the opposite sex at any time of the day or night. Breaking this rule will lead to disciplinary action which is usually expulsion from the university. Please note that there are only a few sex/gender segregated spaces on campus including the locker rooms in the gymnasium, some restrooms, and some areas of the mosque.
- 2) No illegal drugs or alcohol of any kind are allowed on campus. Breaking this rule will lead to disciplinary action up to and including expulsion from the university.
- 3) A midnight curfew is in place during weeknights Sunday to Thursday. Students who willfully break the curfew will not be turned away from the university which is always to be considered a secure location. However, their action may lead to disciplinary action.
- 4) Attendance is compulsory in all classes. Missing three or more classes without an excused absence will lead to the grade "withdraw failing" (WF). Full details are in the Student Handbook

ESTIMATED COSTS/FEEES TO STUDY AT AUI

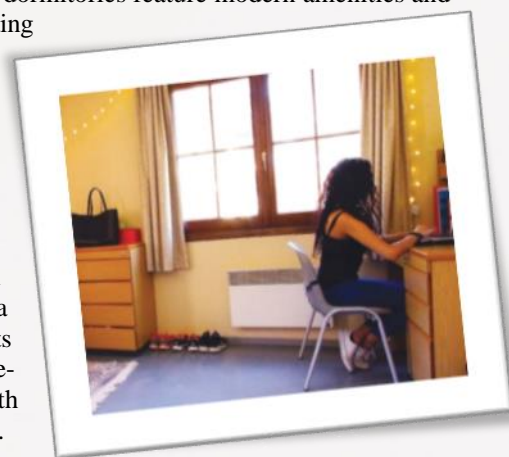
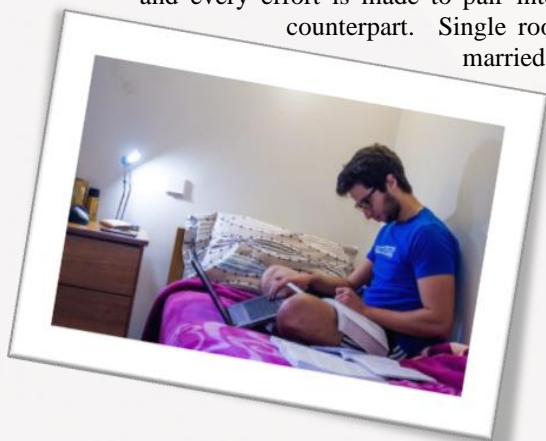
Costs and fees (Waived Based on specific agreements.)	Exchange Agreement	Study Abroad
International Tuition (15 SCH)	waived	50,400 MAD
Books deposit (estimate)	2,000 MAD	2,000 MAD
Housing	5,880 MAD or waived	5,880 MAD
Housing Deposit (refundable)	1,000 MAD	1,000 MAD
Health Services	700 MAD or waived	700 MAD
Internet Access	900 MAD or waived	900 MAD
Student Activities	1,500 MAD or waived	1,500 MAD
ID Card	200 MAD or waived	200 MAD
Health Insurance	550 MAD or waived	550 MAD
Orientation	160 MAD or waived	160 MAD
Residency Document Service	200 MAD	200 MAD
Restaurant Access Fee	2,000 MAD or waived	2,000 MAD
Printing Fee	100 MAD	100 MAD
Full Meal Plan	12,100 MAD or waived	12,100 MAD
Total	4,400 MAD NOT waived	78,690 MAD
Fez Airport or Fez train station Pickup (Optional)	200.00 MAD	200.00 MAD
Pocket money (recommended)	\$1,000 USD per semester recommended	

HOUSING AND CAMPUS LIFE

Living on the campus is one of the most exciting parts of moving to AUI. Being a member within the community provides opportunities for students to attend, participate and organize a wide array of programs and activities. On the campus housing helps you become more involved in the college experience, coherently incorporating classroom work with cocurricular activities that support your ambition and goals. Our student dormitories feature modern amenities and stunning views of the surrounding cedar forest. They also include heating systems, cable television service, wired and wireless internet, kitchens, laundry services, and study lounges.

❖ ACCOMMODATION ON CAMPUS

All exchange and study abroad students are required to live in university housing on the campus. Normally, housing is based on double occupancy and every effort is made to pair international students with a Moroccan counterpart. Single rooms are not available. Housing for a married couple provided that both are students is possible but available on a case-by-case basis. Students with children cannot be accommodated.



❖ HOUSING FEES OUTSIDE REGULAR SEMESTERS

There is a charge for housing during end of semester breaks. This fee will be based on the daily rate for the room. For example, in 2017 this fee was 100 MAD per night for a double room. Students are not normally asked to remove belongings from the room during the winter break between semesters.

COURSES OFFERING

Al Akhawayn University offers a variety of courses. International Students can register in any of the courses offered by the university's schools; School of Science and Engineering, School of Business Administration, and School of Humanities & Social Sciences. Courses Offered in the university can be found under <http://www.aui.ma/AUI-Catalog2021-2023.pdf> Please note that not all courses are offered every semester.

❖ LANGUAGE COURSES

Language courses in Arabic, French, Spanish and sometimes Berber are offered each semester. All language classes use the immersion method in which only the target language is used. A placement test during the orientation and registration period is required for any student requesting a language course after the beginning level. If there are less than 5 students, a course cannot be offered but every reasonable attempt will be made to accommodate international students. Very advanced students of French will be placed into classes of Moroccan students polishing their languages skills in French as second language learners which are labeled FRN. French as a foreigner language are labeled FRE. International students/nonnative speakers of Arabic normally only register in Arabic classes labeled ARA. Very advanced learners of Arabic may be placed in to classes labeled ARB with Moroccan and other students of native or near native ability. Intensive Arabic courses are only offered in the summer as part of the Arabic and North African Studies summer program.

❖ POPULAR COURSE OFFERINGS

The following courses are popular choices for international students. See catalog for description of all courses at <http://www.aui.ma/AUI-Catalog2021-2023.pdf> Please note that not all courses are offered every semester.

Arabic as a foreign language (ARA)	Economic Development in the Middle East and North Africa
Arabic for native speakers (ARB)	Macroeconomics
French as a foreign language (FRE)	International Marketing
French as a second language (FRN)	International Trade
Islamic Art and Architecture	International Finance
Introduction to the Study of Islamic Civilization	International Marketing
History of the Arab World	International Law
North African Government and Politics	Seminar in International Management
History of North Africa and Middle East in the 20 th Century	Computer Science
Middle Eastern Politics	Chemistry
History and Cultures of Sub-Saharan	Biology
Introduction to African Politics	Physics
Sex, Gender and Politics	Electric Circuits
Women and Economic Development	Linear Algebra and Matrix Theory
Economic Geography	Materials Science
Gender Politics and Society	International Marketing
Social Statistics	International Finance
Media and Society	
Photography and Visual Story	
Introduction to film Making	
