

SOCIAL FACILITIES AND SERVICES

MAIL OFFICE

The Mail Office provides students with the following services:

- Fast courier & mail services.
- Certifying statements from the Ministry of Education and Higher Education, from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and from other embassies.

ATM

In order to facilitate a lot of the banking transactions for the staff members and students, four Automated Teller Machines (ATMs) are distributed in Beirut Campus as follows: One from Arab Bank, one from Med Bank, one from BLOM Bank and one from Bank of Beirut. At Tripoli Branch Campus one ATM is found and is from Bank of Beirut.

Dorms And Housing Facilities

Debbieh Campus

- Staff Accommodation
- Two residential buildings provide on-site accommodation for staff. Each block is three-storey high consisting of four one-bedroom apartments, plus one three-bedroom apartment. Both types of apartments come with fully furnished living and dining spaces, bedrooms, and services.
- Students Accommodation
- There are two students' accommodation buildings at Debbieh Campus. The building consists of three levels with a total of 66 rooms, each having its private bathroom. The rooms are fully furnished with built-in closets, beds, and study desks. The second building houses 133 students. Ten single rooms have private toilets, while 60 single rooms and 21 triple rooms share common services. The building provides its residents with a reception area, lounges, study rooms, TV hall and gymnasium.
- Reserving rooms at the dorms starts at the beginning of each academic year.

CAFETERIAS

There are two indoor cafeterias at Beirut Campus, and one canteen outside the campus. Three other cafeterias are found at Debbieh Campus, and one cafeteria is found at Tripoli Branch Campus. All cafeterias provide hot meals and snacks for students and staff at reasonable prices.

STUDENT LOUNGE

Beirut Arab University launched the students' lounge in its campus at Debbieh to be a gathering place for students to practice their hobbies of reading and surfing the internet.

The students' lounge is a building with an area of 324m² consisting of glass facades and roof tiles in addition to an outdoor seating area. It is equipped with tables, chairs, TV screen and machines that provide cold and hot drinks.

OUTDOOR EVENTS VENUE

Designated as an arrival and gathering point at Debbieh Campus, this area has a large terrace occupying (5000 square meters). It is situated near the highest point on site, at an elevation of 404 meters, adjacent to the building that holds the astrological telescope. Amenities are provided nearby including toilets, a kitchen and storage areas. The terrace currently serves as a venue for group visits and seasonal events regularly organized by the University.

SPORTING FACILITIES

There are various sporting facilities available in Beirut, Debbieh and Tripoli campuses, including a Basketball Ground, Football Ground, Mini Football, Tennis and Table tennis, Kickboxing Hall, Multipurpose Hall, etc.

DEBBIEH ASTRONOMICAL OBSERVATORY

Aiming at spreading the true knowledge of Astronomy and its latest discoveries, BAU has established an astronomical observatory in 2001 at Debbieh Campus. The most modern technology was applied in its construction. It is crowned by a planetarium that is equipped with a hi-tech telescope with a diameter of 40 cm (Meade 16 LX200-16 inches), used to conduct university scientific research in the field. It is equipped with lenses that operate within the range of ultraviolet rays to observe the outer space and the solar system. Several activities have been held by the astronomy club at BAU, such as:

- Observing Mars in its closest position to earth, in August 2003, at the distance of 56 million km.
- Observing the Venus transit across the solar disk in June 2004.
- Observing the Mercury transit across the solar disk in May 2005 and November 2006.
- Tracking the initial crescent of the lunar month for religious purposes.

CONFERENCE ROOMS

The University campus in Beirut has 6 halls which differ with respect to capacity and equipment according to usage whether for lectures or for other activities which are held there.

- Jamal Abdul Nasser Hall: This hall is located in the Main Building. It has 301 seats, a stage and is well-equipped rendering it ideal for conferences, conventions and entertainment activities. Four other halls are attached to it for vivas and defenses.
- Ali Rashed Hall: This hall is located in the Main Building at Beirut Campus. It has 100 seats with a 4-person lecturer pulpit. Doctoral dissertation viva and MA theses defenses are held there.
- The Forum/Al Multaqa: This is located near the Main Building. It is a 2-storey newly-established building amidst the green fields. It is used to hold all kinds of artistic exhibitions.
- Omar Farroukh Auditorium: This auditorium is located in the Main Building at Beirut Campus. It is a lecture hall with the capacity of 290 students and is used by the Faculty of Business Administration.
- Jamil Rawass Auditorium: This auditorium is located in Hariri Building. It is a lecture room with the capacity of 400 students. It is used by the Faculty of Law and Political Science.
- The Exhibition Hall: This hall is located in Hariri Building. It is used for student activities and for some university special occasions.

In addition, Debbieh campus and Tripoli branch campus are fully equipped with the required halls and conference rooms.

TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING

Transportation at the University depends on 23 cars and 4 vans, 1 buss and 2 motorcycles to procure the staff members' transport as related to work and to provide interaction among the University and its branches in Debbieh, Tripoli and Bekaa. This unit is run by three supervisors assisted by 17 drivers.

PARKING LOTS

The Public Parking Lot: This is located behind Hariri Building and is run by the General Affairs Department at the University. It can hold about 400 cars and is dedicated to either daily or 24-hour subscriptions. All staff members in addition to students and the neighboring residents benefit from this service at reduced fees.

The Parking Lot in the Main Building: This is run by the General Affairs Department at the University. It can hold about 65- cars and is dedicated to daily subscriptions only. Both Faculty and staff members at the University benefit from this service at a reduced fee.

In addition, Debbieh campus and Tripoli branch campus provide the required parking lots for students as well as academic and non-academic staff.