UNIVERSITY OF
BALAMAND

ADMISSIONS GUIDE

2026 - 2027

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MESSAGE FROM THE **PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY**

Dear Prospective Applicant

Surrounded by green hills and lush greenery, and overlooking the endless Mediterranean Sea with close access to modern amenities, UOB provides an excellent ambience for academic scholarship, innovation and creativity.

It gives me immense pleasure to invite you into this vibrant young institution of higher education, which is accredited by multiple higher educational commissions. What makes UOB a unique institution of higher learning is its constant effort to provide an array of multidisciplinary programs from all disciplines offering students an opportunity to develop interdisciplinary knowledge through a state-of-the-art academic curricula, ensuring intellectual and cultural enrichment of students' lives to fit in with the demands of society.

The secure university campus provides an ideal living environment for students, teachers and administrative personnel. We believe the university experience should be more than what you learn in the classrooms. It is about your campus life and activities, and the opportunity to develop yourself as an individual. At UOB you will have the chance and opportunity to join more than 50 socially active clubs and 25 athletic teams.

We equally strive to be a place that supports and benefits from the credentials of each member of our community. We aim at creating an intellectually vibrant learning environment where all people — regardless of race, gender, socioeconomic background, political and religious beliefs — are heard and valued.

We would be delighted if you took the next step in applying to UOB, where we would be proud to have you as one of our exceptional graduate students.

Looking forward to welcoming you to join our community.

ELIAS WARRAK
President
University of Balamand

ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

The University of Balamand (UOB) was founded in 1988 at the height of Lebanon's internal war. UOB is located on the Balamand Hill and in the heart of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church.

Founded as a private secular institution to serve all people without regard to race, religion, gender, and ethnic consideration, UOB has become, in three and a half decades, one of the leading universities in Lebanon. With eight faculties, one Institute and twelve specialized research centers, UOB is committed to excellence in education, research, and service to the wider community.

Given its strong belief in human rights, democratic institutions, and Christian Muslim understanding, the University is fully committed to the development and democratization of the region, and to spreading the core values freedom, tolerance, plurality and human dignity throughout Lebanon and the Middle East.

UOB offers students hands-on education, relevant training and practical knowledge in various fields of specialization.

Students who join UOB are prepared to become professionals who are well-rounded critical thinkers and active citizens in society. They are supported by scholars dedicated to the University and to nurturing a better world.

UOB follows the American System of Liberal Education, with some programs offered in French.

To this end, the University cooperates extensively with leading universities in North America and Europe through joint research programs and collaborations.

WHY UOB?

ACQUIN
accredited

ABET accreditation
for the B.S. Engineering
Program

WFME accreditation
for the MD Program

ACEND
accreditation
for the Nutrition
Program

ACEN
accreditation
for the Nursing
Program

AACSB
Accreditation for the
Faculty of Business &
Management

28,000+

GRADUATES ACROSS
ALL CAMPUSES

UOB
AT A GLANCE

595+
International Students from 55 countries

5,761+
Currently Enrolled Students

3,479+
Scholarship Recipients for the Academic Year 2024-2025

1,344+
Faculty And Staff Members

FULL LIST OF INTERNATIONAL AFFILIATIONS

8 FACULTIES, 1 INSTITUTE

- ACADÉMIE LIBANAISE DES BEAUX-ARTS
- INSTITUTE OF THEOLOGY
- ARTS AND SCIENCES
- BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT
- ENGINEERING
- HEALTH SCIENCES
- ISSAM M. FARES FACULTY OF TECHNOLOGY
- MEDICINE & MEDICAL SCIENCES
- POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION

UOB offers officially recognized higher education degrees.

1
University Diplomas

14
Teaching Diplomas

58
Undergraduate Degrees

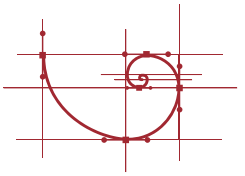
57
Graduate Degrees

1
Doctor of Medicine

29
Medical Specialty Degree Programs

1
Doctor of Philosophy

1
Postgraduate Degree



ACADÉMIE LIBANAISE DES BEAUX-ARTS

Dekouaneh Campus

MAJOR	LANG.	YEARS	DEGREE	ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS
ARCHITECTURE				
1. Etudes Architecturales	F	4	Licence	Niveau français B2 and English Language Proficiency Exams Etude de dossier
2. Architecture	F	4+2	Master*	
ARTS VISUELS				
3. Arts Visuels	F & E	3	Licence	Niveau français B2 and English Language Proficiency Exams Etude de dossier
		3+2	Master*	
ARTS DÉCORATIFS				
Section Architecture d'Intérieur				
4. Architecture d'Intérieur	F	3	Licence	Niveau français B2 and English Language Proficiency Exams Etude de dossier * Licence en Architecture d'intérieur ou Licence en Etudes Architecturales
		3+2	Master*	
Section Arts Graphiques et Publicité				
5. Graphisme et Publicité	F	3 3+2	Licence Master**	Niveau français B2 and English Language Proficiency Exams Etude de dossier **Licence Animation 2D-3D, Multimédia et Illustration ou toute licence de l'ALBA ou d'un autre établissement(Art) ***Licence de la même formation
6. Illustration – Bande Dessinée	F	3 3+2	Licence Master**	
7. Animation 2D/3D	F	3 3+2	Licence Master***	
8. Création Multimédia	F	3 3+2	Licence Master***	
9. Photographie	F	3 3+2	Licence Master	
Section Design				
10. Design de Produits	F	3	Licence	Niveau français B2 and English Language Proficiency Exams Etude de dossier
11. Design Global	F	3+2	Master*	Licence en Arts, en Design, en Sciences Humaines ou Ingénieurie

CINÉMA ET RÉALISATION AUDIOVISUELLE

Section Cinéma

12. Réalisation Audiovisuelle	F	3	Licence	Niveau français B2 & English Language Proficiency Exams Etude de dossier Diplôme universitaire en Réalisation Audiovisuelle, Cinéma, Arts Visuels, ou école d'art Diplôme universitaire en Réalisation Audiovisuelle, Droit, Communication, Comptabilité, Economie, Gestion Administrative Language Proficency Exams
13. Réalisation Cinéma	F	3+2	Master*	
14. Production audiovisuelle	F	3+2	Master*	
15. Television and digital media	E	3 3+2	B.F.A. M.F.A.	

INSTITUT D'URBANISME

16. Architecture du Paysage	F & E	4	Licence	Niveau français B2 and English Language Etude de dossier
17. Aménagement du Paysage	F	2	Master*	Diplômes en Génie Civil, Architecture, Licences en Sociologie, Économie ou Géographie/ Diplôme d'une Grande École de Commerce ou de Gestion
18. Design Urbain	F	2	Master*	Licence en Architecture, en Architecture du paysage, en Design Urbain (8 semestres / 240 crédits ECTS)

MODE

19. Design de Mode	F & E	3	Licence	Niveau français B2 and English and Language Proficiency Exams Etude de dossier

***LES ADMISSIONS EN MASTER SE FONT SUR ENTREVUE, APRÈS ÉTUDE DE DOSSIER. LES CANDIDATS DOIVENT ÊTRE TITULAIRES D'UNE LICENCE DANS LE DOMAINE CONSIDÉRÉ OU CEUX PRÉCISÉS.**

Al Kurah Campus

MAJOR	LANG.	YEARS	DEGREE	ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS
1. Architectural Studies	E	4	B.S.	Language Proficiency Exams
2. Architecture	E	4+2	M.Arch.	
3. Interior Architecture & Design	E	3 3+2	B.F.A. M.F.A.	Language Proficiency Exams
4. Computer Graphics and Interactive Media	E	3 3+2	B.F.A. M.F.A.	Language Proficiency Exams
5. Graphic Design	E	3 3+2	B.F.A. M.F.A.	
6. Art Teaching Diploma	E	1	T.D.	Following a B.S.or B.F.A.

ST. JOHN OF DAMASCUS INSTITUTE OF THEOLOGY

MAJOR	LANG.	YEARS	DEGREE	ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS
1. Theology	A , E & G	1+4	● B.Th.	Following a language year (Modern Greek)
		1+4+3	● M.Th.	Following a Bachelor Degree
			● Ph.D.	Following a Master Degree

FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

MAJOR	LANG.	YEARS	DEGREE	ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS
1. Arabic Language and Literature	A & E or F	3 3+1 3+2	● B.A. ● T.D. ● M.A.	Language Proficiency Exams
2. Biology	E	3 3+1 3+2	● ● B.S. ● ● T.D. ● M.S.	SAT / Language Proficiency Exams
3. Chemistry	E	3 3+1 3+2	● B.S. ● T.D. ● M.S.	SAT / Language Proficiency Exams
4. Christian Muslim Studies	A & E or F	2	● M.A.	Language Proficiency Exams, Following a Bachelor Degree
5. Computer Science	E	3 3+1 3+2	● ● B.S. ● ● T.D. ● M.S.	SAT / Language Proficiency Exams Language Proficiency Exams

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Souk El Gharb - Aley Campus (only in English) ●
Dekouaneh Campus ●

MAJOR	LANG.	YEARS	DEGREE	ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS
6. Education M.A. Tracks: - Curriculum and Educational Management - Instructional Design and Technology	E or F	3 3+1 3+2	●● B.A. ●● T.D. ●● M.A.	Language Proficiency Exams
7. English Language and Literature	E	3 3+1 3+2	● B.A. ● T.D. ● M.A.	Language Proficiency Exams
English Language Teaching	E	2	● M.A.	Language Proficiency Exams, Following a Bachelor Degree
8. Environmental Sciences	E	3 3+2	● B.S. ● M.S.	SAT / Language Proficiency Exams
9. French Language and Literature	F	3 3+1 3+2	● B.A. ● T.D. ● M.A.	Language Proficiency Exams
10. Food Science and Technology	E	2	● M.S.	Language Proficiency Exams Following a Bachelor Degree
11. History	E	3 3+2	● B.A. ● M.A.	Language Proficiency Exams
12. Languages, Translation	A, E & F	3 3+2 3+1	● B.A. ● T.D. ● M.A.	Language Proficiency Exams
13. Mass Media and Communication	E	3 3+2	● B.A. ● M.A.	Language Proficiency Exams
14. Mathematics	E	3 3+1 3+2	● B.S. ● T.D. ● M.S.	SAT / Language Proficiency Exams
15. Philosophy	E	3 3+2	● B.A. ● M.A.	Language Proficiency Exams
16. Physical Education	E or F	3 3+1 3+2	● B.A. ● T.D. ● M.A.	Language Proficiency Exams, Medical Exam & Physical Exam
- Sports Management - Sports Training	E E	2 1	● M.A. ● Diploma	Language Proficiency Exams, Following a Bachelor Degree
17. Physics	E	3 3+1 3+2	● B.S. ● T.D. ● M.A.	SAT / Language Proficiency Exams
18. Political Science and International Affairs	E	3 3+2	● B.A. ● M.A.	Language Proficiency Exams
19. Psychology M.A. Track: - Clinical Psychology	E	3 3+2	● B.A. ● M.A.	Language Proficiency Exams

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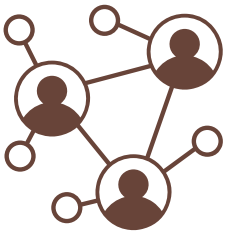

FACULTY OF
BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT

MAJOR	LANG.	YEARS	DEGREE	ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS
1. Business Administration B.B.A. Tracks: - Accounting & Auditing - Finance - Marketing and Innovation - Management and Entrepreneurship - Economics - Tourism and Hotel Management	E	3	●● B.B.A. ●● T.D.	SAT / Language Proficiency Exams
M.B.A. Tracks: - Accounting - Finance - Healthcare Management - Human Resources Management - Management - Marketing	E	2	● M.B.A.	Language Proficiency Exams, Following a Bachelor Degree
- Executive MBA	E	2	● E.M.B.A.	Language Proficiency Exams, Following a Bachelor Degree, 5 Years of Managerial Experience
2. Economics	E	3	●● B.S. ●●● T.D.	SAT / Language Proficiency Exams
3. Accounting & Finance	E	2	● M.S	Language Proficiency Exams, Following a Bachelor Degree
4. Financial Economics	E	2	● M.S	Language Proficiency Exams, Following a Bachelor Degree
5. Human Resources Management	E	2	● M.S	Language Proficiency Exams, Following a Bachelor Degree

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FACULTY OF **ENGINEERING**

MAJOR	LANG.	YEARS	DEGREE	ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS
1. Chemical Engineering	E	3	●● B.S.	SAT / Language Proficiency Exams
		3+2	●● M.S.	
	E	4	● B.E.	SAT / Language Proficiency Exams
		4+1	● M.S.	
2. Civil Engineering	E	3	● B.S.	SAT / Language Proficiency Exams
		3+2	● M.S.	
	E	4	●● B.E.	SAT / Language Proficiency Exams
		4+1	● M.S.	
3. Computer Engineering	E	3	●● B.S.	SAT / Language Proficiency Exams
		3+2	●● M.S.	
	E	4	●● B.E.	SAT / Language Proficiency Exams
		4+1	●● M.S.	
4. Electrical Engineering	E	3	●● B.S.	SAT / Language Proficiency Exams
		3+2	●● M.S.	
	E	4	●●● B.E.	SAT / Language Proficiency Exams
		4+1	●● M.S.	
5. Engineering Management	E	2	● M.S.	Language Proficiency Exams, Following a B.E. Degree
6. Environmental Engineering	E	2	● M.S.	Language Proficiency Exams, Following a B.E. Degree
7. Mechanical Engineering	E	3	● B.S.	SAT/ Language Proficiency Exams
		3+2	● M.S.	
	E	4	● B.E.	SAT/ Language Proficiency Exams
		4+1	● M.S.	

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FACULTY OF **HEALTH SCIENCES**

MAJOR	LANG.	YEARS	DEGREE	ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS
1. Health Promotion	E	3	●● B.S.	SAT / Language Proficiency Exams
2. Medical Laboratory Sciences	E	3	●●● B.S.	SAT / Language Proficiency Exams
		3+2	● M.S.	
- Laboratory Management	E	2	● Professional Master	Language Proficiency Exams, Following a B.S. Degree
3. Nursing	E or F	3	●●● B.S.	SAT or Math Test / Language Proficiency Exams
	E	3+2	● M.S.N.	
4. Nutritional Sciences	E	3	●● B.S.	SAT/ Language Proficiency Exams
- Clinical and Dietetics Internship			●● Diploma	Minimum of 6 months, Following a Bachelor Degree
5. Public Health and Development Sciences	E	3	●●● B.S.	SAT / Language Proficiency Exams
		3+2	● M.P.H.	
5. Optics and Optometry	E	3	●● B.S.	SAT / Language Proficiency Exams

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Dekouaneh Campus ●
Beino - Akkar ●

ISSAM M. FARES
FACULTY OF TECHNOLOGY

MAJOR	LANG.	YEARS	DEGREE	ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS
1. Agriculture	● E or ● F	3	B.Tech.	SAT or Math Test (French Track) / Language Proficiency Exams
2. Aircraft Maintenance	● E	3	B.Tech.	SAT / Language Proficiency Exams
3. Civil Construction	● ● E or ● ● F	3	B.Tech.	SAT or Math Test (French Track) / Language Proficiency Exams
4. Management and Administration	● E or ● ● F	3	B.Tech.	SAT or Math Test (French Track) / Language Proficiency Exams
5. Mechatronics	● ● ● E or ● F	3	B.Tech.	SAT or Math Test (French Track) / Language Proficiency Exams
6. Telecommunications & Networks	● ● E or ● ● F	3	B.Tech.	SAT or Math Test (French Track) / Language Proficiency Exams

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Beino - Akkar ●

FACULTY OF
MEDICINE AND MEDICAL SCIENCES

MAJOR	LANG.	YEARS	DEGREE	ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS
1. Biomedical Sciences	E	2	● M.S.	Language Proficiency Exams, Following a B.S. Degree
2. Cognitive Behavior Therapy	E	2	● M.S.	Language Proficiency Exams,Following a Master in Clinical Psychology or in Counseling or M.D. Psychiatry
2. Medicine	E	4	●● M.D.	Language Proficiency Exams, M.C.A.T. exam, and interview Following a Bachelor Degree

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Dekouaneh Campus ●

FACULTY OF
POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION

RESIDENCY PROGRAM

1. Anatomical Pathology
2. Anesthesiology
3. Dermatology
4. Emergency Medicine
5. Family Medicine
6. Internal Medicine
7. Laboratory Medicine
8. Medical Imaging
9. Neurology
10. Obstetrics and Gynecology
11. Ophthalmology
12. Orthopedic Surgery
13. Otorhinolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery
14. Pediatrics
15. Psychiatry
16. Surgery
    * Cardiothoracic Surgery
    * General Surgery
    * Neurosurgery
    * Pediatric Surgery
    * Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery
    * Urology

FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

AFTER EARNING A SPECIALTY DIPLOMA IN INTERNAL MEDICINE

1. Cardiology
2. Endocrinology
3. Gastroenterology
4. Hematology and Medical Oncology
5. Infectious Diseases
6. Nephrology
7. Pulmonary & Intensive Care Medicine
8. Rheumatology

AFTER EARNING A SPECIALTY DIPLOMA IN PEDIATRICS

Neonatology fellowship after Earning a Specialty Diploma in General Surgery Vascular Surgery fellowship

FACULTY OF MEDICINE
ADMISSION CRITERIA
APPLICATION DEADLINES

http://www.balamand.edu.lb/ProspectiveStudents/AdmissionsCriteria/Pages/AdmissionsFOM.aspx

LIFE AT UOB

OFFICE OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

The University strives to provide a very active and enriching campus life outside the classroom. For this purpose, the Office of Student Affairs (OSA) encourages and supports over 50 clubs and societies encompassing a wide range of causes and interests.

The OSA provides endless events, and volunteering opportunities – as such, there is something for everyone. We have a wide range of facilities, programs and campus events to keep students healthy, active and well entertained, ensuring a memorable experience outside the classroom.

DISCOVER ATHLETICS & WELLNESS AT UOB

At the University of Balamand, the Office of Athletics, Wellness & Recreation (OAWR) brings energy and balance to campus life. Sports and wellness are an important part of the UOB experience, offering students the chance to stay active, compete, and join a supportive community.

With 26 competitive sports categories in 2026, varsity and intramural teams, engaging fitness classes, and dedicated wellness programs at the new Fitness Center, there's something for every interest and skill level.

UOB athletes grow as individuals, build strong friendships, and proudly represent the university in local and international competitions. Talented and committed students may also qualify for Athletic Scholarships that support both academic and athletic success.

Join us and turn your passion into purpose, on the field, in the gym, and beyond.

FACILITIES AND SUPPORT SERVICES

The University of Balamand offers several on-campus services to enhance your academic journey and personal well-being.

PERSONAL SERVICES

COUNSELING
This free and confidential counseling service is available to assist students facing personal, study or work related challenges.

HEALTH AND MEDICAL
Located in Al Kurah campus, the Health Center provides primary healthcare and first aid services to UOB students and staff.

IT SERVICE ON CAMPUS
Students at UOB can access campus-wide wireless internet and have free access to computer labs.

SPORTS COMPLEX
Sports and recreational facilities are accessible to all students who can practice the sports of their choice in a healthy and positive environment.

ACCOMMODATION
Living on or close to campus can enhance your university experience. There are a number of accommodation options for you to choose from, including:
- On-campus university residences
- Off-campus independently-run student housing.

GETTING THERE
All campuses are accessible via public transportation. On and off-campus bus shuttle is available at the main campus.

BANKING SERVICE
A branch of Intercontinental Bank of Lebanon (IBL) is located in front of Al Kurah campus.

PARKING
Ample parking space is available on and around all campuses.

ACADEMIC SERVICES

ORIENTATION

Orientation marks the start of your journey at the University of Balamand. A dedicated UOB team will share with you all the information you need for a smooth start. You will also meet classmates, explore the campus and complete registration.

LIBRARY

The University of Balamand main Library (Issam M. Fares Library Learning Center - IFLLC) is located at the heart of the "Path of Learning". The IFLLC offers state of the art facilities, including classrooms, computer labs, e-classrooms, videoconference rooms, group-study rooms, and meeting rooms. The UOB Library system includes, in addition to the IFLLC, two ALBA Libraries (one in Dekouaneh and one in the main campus), the Library of the St. John of Damascus Institute of Theology, the Souk El Gharb campus Library, and the Issam M. Fares Faculty of Technology Library in the Akkar campus.

CAREER GUIDANCE

The Career Services Center offers coaching and mentoring services enabling students to nurture an employability edge through professional workshops and seminars.
You will build skills and gain insights allowing you to stand out in the workplace.

UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSION

GENERAL

Document required for admission decision

- A recent passport – size photograph taken within the past 6 months.
- A photocopy of your identity card (For Lebanese Applicants) or passport.
- School Grades and Recommendation of Grade 10 and 11 in a sealed and stamped envelope mailed to the University or emailed by the school to admissions@balamand.edu.lb
- SAT scores (if applicable)
- English/French proficiency test: TOEFL/IELTS/ SAT writing and language test/CES/Duolingo (if applicable).

An application fee (50$)/or other fees for the placement tests depending on your choice of major.

Document required for enrollment

- A certified official secondary school certificate (when received). Non-Lebanese Baccalaureate students should submit the equivalence of the sophomore credential from the equivalence committee at the Lebanese Ministry of Education.
- Evidence of having successfully completed grade 12.

FRESHMAN APPLICANTS

In addition to the general requirements, applicants to Freshman class should provide:

- High School Diploma
- Permission to join the Freshman Program from the Lebanese Ministry of Education and Higher Education
- SAT or ACT results prior to admission as follow:

	Freshman Arts	Freshman Sciences
SAT	870	950
ACT	15	17

TRANSFER APPLICANTS

- Hold a Lebanese Baccalaureate or its official equivalent from the Lebanese Ministry of Education and Higher Education
- Sophomore transfers must submit all required test scores on time
- Junior or Senior Year transfers may apply without SAT scores
- Official Transcript including course description

An application fee of 50 USD and/or other fees for the placement tests depending on the major of choice

SOPHOMORE APPLICANTS

Students can apply for admission to the sophomore class at UOB if they hold a Lebanese Baccalaureate or its equivalence, i.e.;

- French Baccalaureate
- Syrian Baccalaureate
- Jordanian Tawjihi
- German Abitur
- Official Government Secondary School Leaving Certificate
- Full IB Diploma (3 HL and 3 SL subjects), or IGCSE/GCE (A minimum of five subjects at the Ordinary Level, and three subjects at the Advanced Level, or six Advanced Subsidiary Level subjects with a minimum grade of D)

- Requirements for GCE, IB, and French Baccalaureate
  http://www.balamand.edu.lb/GCEIBFB/
- AP Program Examinations
  http://www.balamand.edu.lb/apexaminations

GRADUATE ADMISSION

ADMISSION INFORMATION

Admission to graduate programs is handled through the Office of Admissions, which is responsible for receiving and processing all applications, evaluating credentials, and issuing admission notifications. The criteria for admission are set and supervised by the respective departments and faculties.

To be eligible for admission to a graduate degree program, candidates must hold a Bachelor's degree from a recognized institution with an undergraduate cumulative average of at least 80/100 or higher.

Applicants with a cumulative average of at least 77/100 may be considered for conditional admission.

REGISTRATION LOAD

Full-time students must enroll in at least 9 credit hours per semester and a maximum of 12 credit hours. (See appropriate Faculty regulations).

TRANSFER CREDITS

Students transferring to the graduate programs may be granted transfer credits up to 40% of the total credits required of the degree. Transferred credits apply only to courses in which the applicant maintain an average ≥ 80 and equivalent in content to courses offered at UOB.

The concerned Department/Faculty decides on the equivalency of courses.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

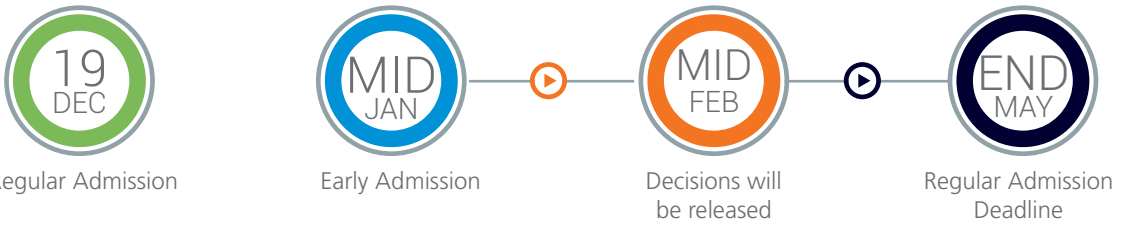
- A certified copy of diploma and two recommendation letters
- A diploma equivalence from the Lebanese Ministry of Education and Higher Education (if applicable)
- An official transcript with course description of all completed courses

An application fee of 60 USD and/or other fees for the placement tests depending on the major of choice

IMPORTANT DATES

SPRING ADMISSION 25-26

FALL ADMISSION 26-27



EARLY ADMISSION

Applicants should submit their application prior to the deadlines mentioned above, SAT results will be considered up to December 2025 session.

Note that Admission is conditional upon receiving the applicants Lebanese Baccalaureate or its equivalence from the Lebanese Ministry of Education and Higher Education. Applicants who are not granted early admission will be placed in the pool with regular admission applicants.

Applicants may not register until all conditions are met.
Applicants should constantly check the University website (www.balamand.edu.lb) for updates regarding Admission Status and extended deadlines for applications.

SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TEST (SAT) DATES
2025-2026 SAT DATES AND DEADLINES

TEST DATE	REGISTRATION DEADLINE
August 23, 2025	August 8, 2025
September 13, 2025	August 29, 2025
October 4, 2025	September 19, 2025
November 8, 2025	October 24, 2025
December 6, 2025	November 21, 2025
March 14, 2026	February 27, 2026
May 2, 2026	April 17, 2026
June 6, 2026	May 22, 2026

ENTRANCE & LANGUAGE EXAM DATES

For English and French Placement Tests

Friday, December 05, 2025

Friday, January 09, 2026

Friday, March 06, 2026

Friday, July 10, 2026

Friday, August 07, 2026

APPLICANTS WHO ARE NOT SURE OF THE MAJOR OF CHOICE, UOB ADMINISTRATION IS HERE TO HELP!

Applicants could:

- Visit UOB Open Doors in order to explore the campus and chat to academics.
- Attend one of the Orientation Events.
- Pass by the Student Recruitment Office, located at all campuses, to meet the team.
- For more information about majors offered, Contact us on +961 6 930 250 Ext: 3945 or via email: admissions@balamand.edu.lb.

ADMISSION APPLICATION
https://sisweb.balamand.edu.lb/pls/apex/f?p=100:101

ADMISSION EXAMINATIONS

SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TEST (SAT)

SAT is a requirement for all undergraduate applicants except:

- Applicants to non-scientific disciplines at the Faculty of Arts and Sciences
- Applicants to Académie Libanaise des Beaux-Art
- Applicants to majors taught in French
- Applicants to Tourism and Hotel Management
- Transfer students from other Universities (who completed successfully one year or have 20 transferable credits)

Students should contact the nearest AMIDEAST testing center for more details related to the SAT.

When registering for the SAT, applicants to the University of Balamand should enter the UOB code: 2960, and request from the Educational Testing Service to send the scores directly to the Office of Admissions.

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS

Prior to registering at the University of Balamand, students must demonstrate a level of English or French language proficiency consistent with the requirements of their study program.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

TEST	MINIMUM SCORE REQUIRED FOR **UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES**	MINIMUM SCORE REQUIRED FOR **GRADUATE STUDIES**
TOEFL (paper and pencil)	527	600
TOEFL (iBT)	71	100
SAT Digital Evidence-Based Reading and Writing	520	590
IELTS	6	8
CES	160	191
Duolingo	110	140
TOEFL ® Essentials	7	11
EPT	63	85

FRENCH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

Undergraduate and graduate applicants must pass the French Entrance Exam (Test de Positionnement)

- Undergraduate and graduate applicants holding DELF/DALF with a degree level B2 (scoring at least 50/100 and 15/25 on the writing component (production écrit)) or C1, will be placed as FREN201.
- Applicants holding a DELF/DALF with a degree level B1 scoring above 70 will be placed as FREN101 but they must complete successfully FREN101 within the first semester of enrollment at the University.

INTENSIVE ENGLISH PROGRAM

The intensive English Program is intended for applicants who have been selected for admission but have not met the English Language Proficiency Requirement.

The program consists of three levels: ENGL002S, ENGL002 and ENGL003. Students enrolled in ENGL002 are entitled to register only one SOP course (00-Level course).

Students enrolled in ENGL003 may take only one course and its lab toward a degree while working towards achieving the level of English needed for carrying a full load in the regular program.

SPECIAL ORIENTATION PROGRAM (SOP)

The Special Orientation Program is designed to prepare applicants who had their secondary education outside Lebanon and those who have obtained the appropriate Technical Baccalaureate for the major of choice. Applications are studied case by case.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT

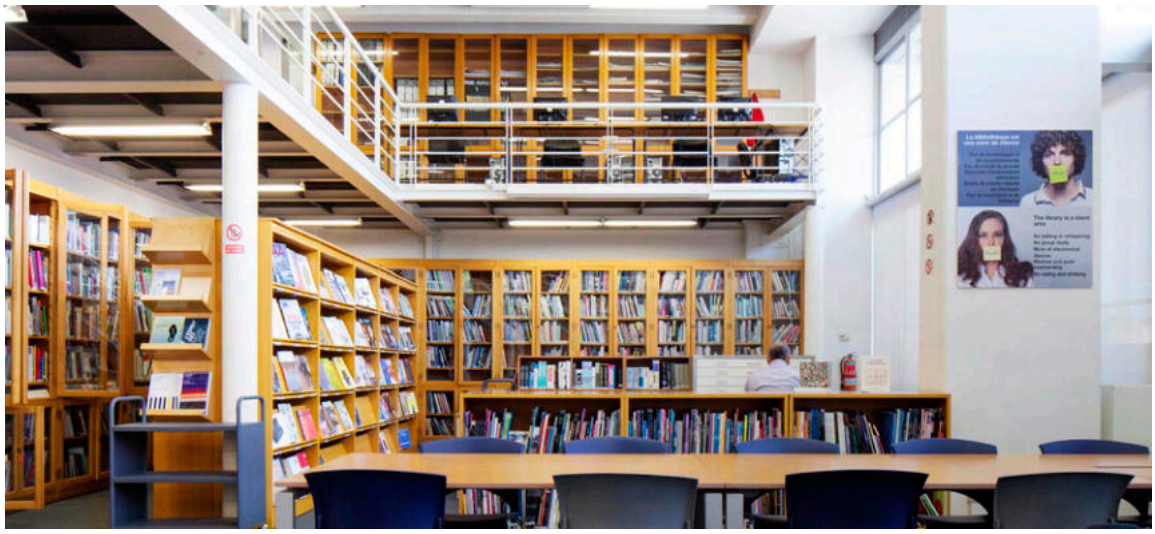
At the University of Balamand, we offer a range of scholarships recognizing exceptional academic or sporting performance. Other types are designed to support students experiencing financial hardship.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

MERIT SCHOLARSHIP

Deadline: Early Admission

PERCENTAGE	ELIGIBILITY	RENEWAL CONDITIONS
100%	Newly admitted students who rank first in the Lebanese baccalaureate official exam in each of the Lebanese Governorates. Top four newly admitted applicants who: - Rank among the top 20% in grades 10 and 11 - Attain a minimum score of 1450	These scholarships are renewable at the beginning of each academic year provided that the recipients maintain a cumulative average ≥ 85.
75%	Newly admitted students who rank second and third in the Lebanese baccalaureate official exam in each of the Lebanese Governorates. Top six newly admitted applicants who: - Rank among the top 20% in grades 10 and 11 - Attain a minimum score of 1400	These scholarships are renewable for each academic year provided that the recipients maintain a cumulative average ≥ 83.
50%	Newly admitted students who rank fourth and fifth in the Lebanese baccalaureate official exam in each of the Lebanese Governorates. Top ten newly admitted applicants who: - Rank among the top 20% in grades 10 and 11 - Attain a minimum score of 1300	These scholarships are renewable for each academic year provided that the recipients maintain a cumulative average ≥ 80.



DEAN'S HONOR LIST

100% scholarship for the following semester for top 4 continuing undergraduate full-time students with semester average ≥ 95. Representative scholarship for the following semester for full-time continuing undergraduate students with semester general average ≥ 85.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIPS

The University of Balamand offers Athletic Scholarships for students who are eligible to be varsity team members. The main objective of the Athletic Scholarship is to provide talented students, who play sports, the opportunity to study at UOB and compete in university sports. Students should be enrolled on a full-time basis, maintain a cumulative average ≥ 75 with a clear academic status and have applied for Financial Aid. The Selection Committee determines the amount of needed scholarships per academic year according to approved budget by the University Administration, this percentage may vary between 10% - 20% coverage of the tuition fees taking into consideration that no student is allowed more than 70% of total financial support.

FACULTY SUPPORT

FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

25% | Arts Disciplines

Up to 50% for Chemistry, Environmental Sciences and Mathematics

FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCE

30% | Health Promotion
Nursing
Public Health and Development Sciences

25% | Nutritional Sciences

Undergraduate students majoring in Nursing, Public Health and Development Sciences or Health Promotion will receive additional 20% to be allocated by submitting the financial aid application.

Faculty support recipients should maintain a Cumulative Average ≥ 75 in order to retain the scholarship in subsequent semester.

Scholarship Criteria for Chemistry, Environmental Sciences and Mathematics:

- **50% scholarship for the top 5 students with a General Average of >80, evaluated at the end of each semester (overall average, not semester average).**
- **30% scholarship for the next top 10 students with a General Average of >75, evaluated at the end of each semester (overall average, not semester average).**
- **The remaining students will receive standard financial aid.**
- **Points 1 and 2 will apply after the completion of the first semester at UOB.**

FINANCIAL AID

Undergraduate students may benefit from financial aid support covering 10% to 40% of their tuition fees. Financial Aid is awarded on the basis of need first and academic performance second.
To be eligible for Financial Aid, an undergraduate student should be:
- Enrolled on a full-time basis. An undergraduate student is considered a full-time student if registered 12 credits and above during the Fall and Spring semester, 6 credits during the Summer semester of an Academic Year.
- Demonstrate financial need.
- Maintain a cumulative average ≥ 70 with a clear academic standing.

Application Process

Newly applying students to UOB or continuing UOB students should submit a Financial Aid application filled by the applicant and his/her parents along with the required documents. The deadline for submitting the financial aid application is specified in the acceptance package.

Financial Aid Application

www.balamand.edu.lb/Financialaid

STUDENT WORK

Financial Aid recipients are eligible to apply for the student work support. Applicants may receive additional Financial Aid in the form of work study. Student work can cover from 5% to 20% of the tuition fees, if their cumulative average is >= 70 with a clear academic standing

Student Work Application

http://www.balamand.edu.lb/studentwork

Financial aid is granted for one academic year, and students must renew their application annually.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR GRADUATE PROGRAMS

GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIP

Graduate Assistantship Program aims in advancing graduate studies by attracting academically good students who are expected to support the UOB academic mission and research. These assistantships may cover from 20% to 50% of the tuition fees. Selected students are allocated up to 20 hours per week (for a 50% Assistantship) with a cumulative average >= 80. Applications to this Program are submitted through respective Faculties and reviewed prior to the start of each semester.

FACULTY OF MEDICINE

Faculty of Medicine students can apply for financial aid support.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR ALL PROGRAMS

SIBLING GRANT

If two or more siblings are enrolled at UOB during the same period, the second, third sibling is entitled to a fee reduction provided that he/she is enrolled on a full time basis and maintaining a cumulative Average ≥ 75 with a clear academic standing. Deduction from tuition fees will be granted as follow:
- 2nd Sibling: 7.5%
- 3rd Sibling: 12.5%

No application is needed to qualify to this grant.

DEFERRED PAYMENT

Deferred payment is handled during the registration process through the Comptrollers' Office (Monthly installments with 0% interest).

AGREEMENT

Students benefiting from any agreement must apply for Financial aid each academic year and submit all required documents.
To be eligible for support, a student:

- Must be enrolled at UOB on a full-time basis.
- Must be in good academic standing, demonstrating satisfactory academic performance as per the required cumulative average.
- A percentage will be allocated for non-intensive and non-repeated courses.

SECTORS

LEBANESE AIR FORCE / NAVY

50% for all students
Renewal criteria per semester for non-repeated courses:

- Cumulative average of 70/100 each semester for undergraduate students.
- Cumulative average of 80/100 each semester for graduate students.

ARMY

ARMY	PROGRAM	%	RENEWAL CRITERIA PER SEMESTER FOR NON-REPEATED COURSES
Army retired / enlisted	General Medicine – UOB student (premed)	30%	Non repeated year
	General Medicine – Transferred Student	20%	
Army retired - or student is an Enlisted Army	Undergraduate programs Graduate programs	50% 50%	cumulative average >70 cumulative average >80
Army enlisted	Undergraduate programs Graduate programs	40% 40%	cumulative average >70 cumulative average >80

GENERAL SECURITY / INTERNAL SECURITY FORCES / STATE SECURITY / JUDGE / GREEK COMMUNITY/LAWYER (TRIPOLI SYNDICATE) /LEBANESE DENTAL ASSOCIATION (TRIPOLI SYNDICATE):

40% - (Undergraduate / Graduate programs)
30% - General Medicine – UOB student (premed)
20% - General Medicine – Transferred Student

Renewal criteria per semester for non-repeated courses:

- Cumulative average of 70/100 each semester for undergraduate students.
- Cumulative average of 80/100 each semester for graduate students.

PHARMACY:

25% for Undergraduate programs only

Renewal criteria per semester for non-repeated courses:

- Student should maintain a cumulative average of 70/100 each semester.

FEES AND EXPENSES 2025-2026

Application and Entrance Exam Fees

	NON-REFUNDABLE FEES
	USD
Undergraduate Application	50
Graduate Application	60
Post-Graduate	60
Medical Examination	50
Physical Examination	30
ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEST	40
FRENCH LANGUAGE TEST	20

Tuition Fees

PROGRAM	UNDERGRADUATE Tuition/Credit Hour	GRADUATE Tuition/Credit Hour
Freshman	430 USD & 2,690,000 L.L.	
Arts & Sciences - Arts	430 USD & 2,690,000 L.L.	725 USD & 4,525,000 L.L.
Arts & Sciences - Sciences	480 USD & 2,990,000 L.L.	705 USD & 4,415,000 L.L.
Business Management	475 USD & 2,950,000 L.L.	635 USD & 3,960,000 L.L.
Health Sciences	480 USD & 3,015,000 L.L.	715 USD & 4,450,000 L.L.
Engineering	530 USD & 3,310,000 L.L.	540 USD & 3,365,000 L.L.

Issam Fares Faculty of Technology	270 USD & 1,690,000 L.L.	
ALBA – Dekouaneh Campus*	250 USD & 1,565,000 L.L.	
ALBA – Balamand Campus	405 USD & 2,525,000 L.L.	510 USD & 3,190,000 L.L.

**ECTS (European Credit Transfer System) offered at Dekouaneh Campus where French is the language of instruction.*

	YEARLY TUITION
Doctorate in Business Administration (DBA)	45,000 USD
Executive MBA (Full Program)	25,500 USD
Faculty of Medicine	30,000 USD

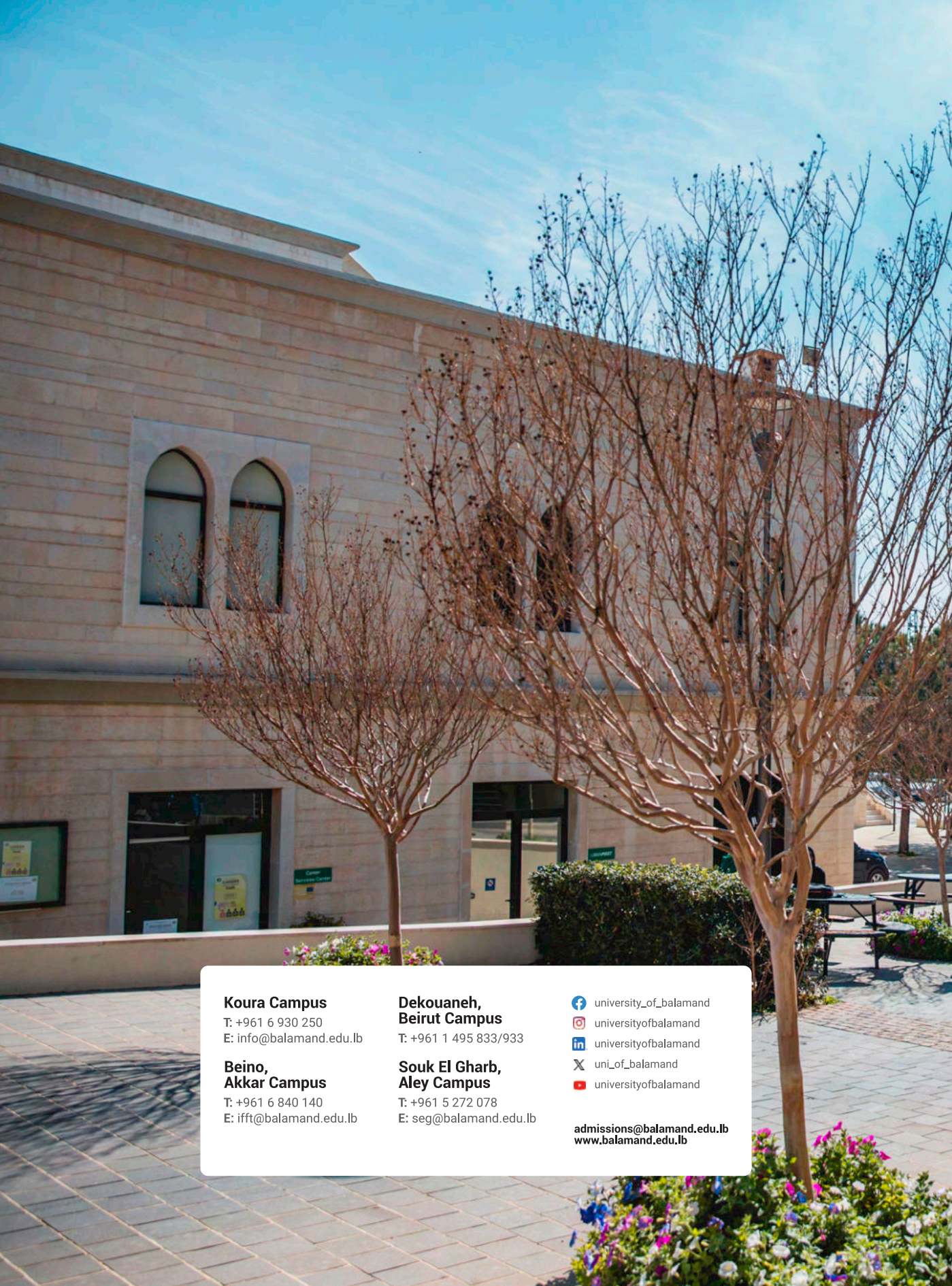
Residence Fees

	BEIT TALIBAT	LA MARESA
Single Room	1100 USD	1160 USD
Double Room	780 USD	820 USD
Single Premium	1400 USD	1420 USD
Suite	N/A	1180 USD

**The University of Balamand reserves the right to change any or all fees at any time without prior notice*

+ 21,000,000 $

TOTAL AMOUNT SPENT FOR OVERALL FINANCIAL SUPPORT IN THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2024-2025



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