Undergraduate Freshman Applicants

You are a freshman applicant if...

You have completed 12 years of schooling and hold **ONE** of the following diplomas:

- High School Diploma.

- A minimum of five subjects at the Ordinary Level, and one subject at the Advanced Level, or two Advanced Subsidiary Level subjects, excluding languages.

- International Baccalaureate certificate from outside Lebanon.

- One year of the CEGEP (Collège d'enseignement général et professionnel) in Québec, Canada.

If you do not fit the above description, check if you are a [sophomore](#) applicant.

Before you apply:

[Step 1: Choose your track](#)

It is important that you choose the right major by combining what you like to do with what you are good at. View the [majors](#) LAU offers, and if you need help with choosing your major, [this page](#) might help you. Since your are applying as a freshman, you will enroll either in the freshman Arts or freshman Science depending on the major you choose. Do not worry, if you are not certain about your choice of track, the below table will help you:

Major	Freshman Program
[Arabic Language and Literature](#)	Arts or Science
[Architecture](#)	Science
[Bioinformatics](#)	Science
[Biology](#)	Science
[Business Studies](#)	Arts or Science

Major	Freshman Program
Chemistry	Science
Civil Engineering	Science
Communication	Arts or Science
Computer Engineering	Science
Computer Science	Science
Economics	Arts or Science
Electrical Engineering	Science
English	Arts or Science
Fashion Design	Arts or Science
Fine Arts	Arts or Science
Graphic Design	Arts or Science
History	Arts or Science
Hospitality and Tourism Management	Arts or Science
Industrial Engineering	Science
Interior Design	Arts or Science
Mathematics	Science

Major	Freshman Program
Mechanical Engineering	Science
Mechatronics Engineering	Science
Multimedia Journalism	Arts or Science
Nursing	Science
Nutrition	Science
Nutrition and Dietetics Coordinated Program	Science
Performing Arts	Arts or Science
Petroleum Engineering	Science
Pharmacy	Science
Philosophy	Arts or Science
Political Science	Arts or Science
Political Science/International Affairs	Arts or Science
Psychology	Arts or Science
Social Work & Community Development	Arts or Science
Television and Film	Arts or Science
Translation	Arts or Science

Step 2: Check the deadlines

Applying for...	Deadline
Admission for Spring 2026	November 30, 2025
Admission for Summer 2026	April 30, 2026
Admission for Fall 2026	January 15, 2026
Merit Scholarship for Fall 2026	January 31, 2026
Financial aid application for Spring 2026 - New students	November 1, 2025 - December 2, 2025
Financial aid application for fall 2025 - New students	November 1, 2025 - April 30, 2026
Athletic Scholarship for fall 2026	October 15, 2025 - May 30, 2026

Step 3: Prepare the required documents and pass entrance exams

All applicants are required to submit:

1. A recent passport-size photo.

2. A clear photocopy of your identity card or passport (of the nationality to be used in the registration process at LAU).

3. A clear photocopy of your Family Civil Status record (For Lebanese and Arab nationals)

4. Official transcript from schools you attended in the last three years. If your grades from the last year or semester are not available when you apply, they should be sent as soon as they are available.

5. Certified copies of all official certificates or diplomas when available.

6. Official SAT I scores. Learn how to send your SAT scores.

7. Proof of English proficiency by submitting one of the below:

   o Official scores of the TOEFL; LAU's code is 2595

   o Official scores of the IELTS

   o English Entrance Exam (EEE) administered at LAU

   o SAT I Writing section. Learn how to send your SAT scores

   o SAT I Evidence-Based Reading and Writing. Learn how to send your SAT scores

   o ACT Writing section; LAU's code is 9015

   o Duolingo English Test. Learn how to send your Duolingo English Test scores.

   o Check the minimum required scores

8. If you are a U.S citizen or U.S. Green Card holder you must submit along with the application the W-9S form that can be downloaded from the IRS website, with proof of your social security number. With this information, LAU is able to provide U.S. students (or parents of dependent students) with Form 1098-T that is used for American tax related purposes.

9. Permission from the Equivalence Committee of the Lebanese Ministry of Education to enroll in the freshman program.

10. Ability to declare a major in a B.A. or B.S. program and joining the sophomore class will only be done once you satisfy both 1) the Lebanese Baccalaureate equivalency requirements set by the Lebanese Ministry of Education and 2) the freshman requirements set by LAU.

Learn how to prepare your documents to upload them on the online application.

Notes:

- Only completed applications will be reviewed.

- Fulfillment of the minimum admission requirements does not guarantee admission.

- Admission is valid for one semester only.

- Transfer of applications from one campus to another or change of major are possible if the requests are made within the set deadlines.

- The Admissions Office reserves the right to verify and request original documents of all copies submitted.

Step 4: View the financial aid and scholarships packages.

How to apply?

Step 1: Fill out and submit your application

Prepare your documents and apply online. You can do so through the LAU online application or via Common App:

- **LAU online application:** Application fee of $50 can be paid **online** using debit or credit cards (Visa or Mastercard only), or **in cash** through OMT or at BLOM Bank.

- **LAU application via Common App:** Application fee of $50 to be paid online.

Step 2: Activate your Portal

After you apply and you pay your application fees, you will receive an email **within 3 to 10 working days** to the email address you filled out in your admission application. This email will contain your unique username and tentative password and the steps you need to follow to activate your Portal account.

The LAU Portal is a personalized online platform, log in to be able to:

- view the admission decision,

- verify your application information,

- check missing and submitted documents,

- upload and submit missing or additional documents,

- apply for financial aid, scholarships, or housing,

- apply for the LAU English Entrance Exam (EEE) and view the results,

- check Important dates,

- learn more about your major,

- access your LAU email,

- connect with the Admissions officers,

- and much more…

Questions? Please contact the Admissions Office.

Step 3: Apply for financial aid and scholarships

Accepted?

If you are an international student, please contact the Office of International Services for a smooth start.

On your Portal, view your admissions package:

- the major you are accepted to,

- acceptance letter,

- deposit payment form,

- financial aid/scholarships decisions,

- documents you need to fill out and submit,

- important dates for registration and orientation,

- and much more.

Questions? Please contact the Admissions Office.