

Lebanese American University
STUDENT & UNIVERSITY POLICY
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A. The University's Role:

The University seeks to develop responsible students with leadership skills and community awareness. LAU shall provide its students with proper counseling and guidance to meet the challenges they may face in the University community, and later in their active roles in society. LAU shall provide its students with opportunities to develop academically, physically, intellectually, socially, and morally, in order to meet the challenges they may face in life.

B. Students' Responsibilities:

Students are expected to assume responsibilities commensurate with the freedom given to them. The University insists that students' actions neither infringe upon the rights of others, nor disrupt the normal functioning of the University. The University shall expect its students to act, under all circumstances, in a manner to reflect favorably on the entire University community, and shall expect its students to obey the regulations of the University, and the laws of Lebanon, as well as to respect the generally accepted social standards of the community.

C. Student Participation:

LAU shall encourage its students to establish a Student Council, as a vehicle for their participation in making regulations related to student life on campus, social and recreational activities, and student publications.

All such regulations shall be approved by the University Student Affairs Council and/or the President's Cabinet, as appropriate.

D. Judicial Procedures:

LAU shall establish and implement disciplinary procedures that guarantee fairness to students in cases of misbehavior or misconduct. It shall be the policy of LAU to entrust the disciplinary responsibility for non-academic disciplinary cases to the University Student Affairs Council. LAU shall also provide the right to appeal to ensure that due process is followed at all levels of judicial action and review.

E. Spiritual Life:

Interaction between religions shall be encouraged to improve one's understanding of life, acceptance of differences and tolerance toward others.

Inter-disciplinary studies featuring religion as a unifying theme for cultural studies and human development shall be promoted.

F. Social Involvement:

The increased interaction between LAU and society at large aims at fulfilling the purpose of the University which is to prepare its students to be aware of the needs of the community and the environment, and to be actively involved in their development.

G. Diversity:

The Lebanese American University shall strive to impart to its students the ability to deal, respect, and tolerate differences in gender, race, nationality, creed, beliefs, and physical condition.