

# AUT

## External Outlook

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### What students say about internships



**Peter Ayache, majoring in Transport Management, Internship at Holdal Abou Adal:**

“As an AUT student, I had the opportunity to explore the real world of Logistics at Holdal- Abou Adal Group. During my fruitful internship in the Logistics department, I had the pleasure of working with a very friendly and supportive team who taught me a great deal about different aspects of the business. This internship gave me a lot of new experience and I truly recommend it to every student.”

**Charbel Sattouf, majoring in Transport Management, Internship at Khalil Fattal et Fils:**

“I was working in the logistics department, I got all of useful information about the supply chain process and how products reach the markets from local and foreign suppliers.

It was an amazing experience and a very professional program that each student at AUT should attend, whether they are majoring in Transport and Logistics or not since Fattal is a huge company.”

Sattouf got a letter from Fattal stating he showed “outstanding results”.



**Ziad Abi Raad, majoring in Transport Management, Internship at Al Shaya Dareen:**

“I thank AUT for the opportunity of taking this internship. I was able to adapt with the professional atmosphere at Alshaya Dareen intl. warehouse in Lebanon, and I was offered a job as soon as I graduate.”

**Antoine Sayegh, enrolled in the London School of Economics program at AUT, Internship at SGBL:**

“The internship was a very practical one. I spent two weeks in each of the following departments: teller, private banking, archives. I learned processes and the difference between private and commercial banking . I also acquired the needed skills for good performance. The SGBL staff were helpful and the atmosphere was very professional”





**Antoine Sayegh and Elise Saade, enrolled in the London School of Economics program at AUT, Internship at Central Bank:**

"We discovered how advanced our knowledge of finance was compared to students from other universities and we were year 1 not year 2 or 3! Simply very proud to be in the AUT-LSE program.

Our Banque du Liban training was more about the work of BDL than the international financial work. We learned how BDL uses money policies to control the money market, how the fiscal policy is linked to the ministry of finance to control taxation and government expenditure, how economic policy is developed with the ministry of economy to protect the consumer and control product prices.

We also went into the details of the monetary policy which is controlled by BDL only-increasing or decreasing the interest rate, the effect of money supply on inflation, etc... We were taught about the statements that the accounting department must present yearly, and the elements presented on the Income Statement of BDL like the rate of gold, the exchange rate of foreign currencies, the money existing in the market and the gold reserve."



**Nerissa Succar, majoring in Interior Design, Internship at Michel Honein Architects:**

"My internship at The MHA Architects Company opened my mind to numerous processes in an architecture company from the meeting of the clients to the material choice. Although I would have liked to participate in the concept and architectural drawing of the project my internship at that company was still a valuable addition to my academic acquisition in shedding the light over management of workers as well as executing construction work and handling problems that arise on a construction site. I am forever grateful for my time and the support I received during this stage in my education and am looking forward to engaging in new projects in the future."



**Fouad Abdallah, majoring in Water Resource Science, Internship at Tannourine Water:**

"I had my internship at Tanourine water bottling lab for 40 hours this past summer. We worked on testing microbiology of the water and performed quality control on bottles. It was a great learning experience and so I encourage new students to go into this major because they would be working on people's health and would try to improve the quality of water that we drink."

**International Experience: Paris was a dream come true to me!**

The Faculty of Arts and Humanities at AUT Halat, organized a trip to Paris for the course International Arts Experience. We were 9 students to take the trip along with our Professor, Ms Zeina Sultan. We visited several museums and landmarks that had breathtaking and extraordinary exhibits. The Gothic Notre-Dame de Paris held a huge history on its walls. The Musee d'Orsay exhibited many high-value historical paintings and sculptures and is known for the huge clock on its facade. The Louvre was one of a kind especially with the extraordinary Monalisa and the Palace of Versailles is the main "history dictionary" of France.



We also visited Centre Pompidou and the Louis Vuitton Foundation, We managed to visit many other places despite the little time we had and we wish we had had more time to explore arts in

beautiful Paris.

This experience gave me an idea of the history of architecture, and my friends and I gained a lot of knowledge about art. We were able to actually see what we read about in architecture and design books and we realized that as our faculty used to say " You are nothing if you don't see what's around you."

Last but not least, Paris was fun and we had a blast traveling with Miss Zeina Sultan who was our precious guide of arts ! Can't wait to visit it again and eat some cheesy Cheese !!

***Nerissa Succar***

## AUT Participates in the Presidential Palace Day Against Drug Abuse



A delegation of AUT students and staff took part in the activities organized by the Presidential Palace in Baabda on Thursday, June 28 to celebrate the UN Day Against Drug Abuse.

The activities were placed under the auspices of the First lady Mrs. Nadia Aoun.

The President of the Lebanese Republic General Michel Aoun addressed the crowd on the necessity to prevent drug abuse and encouraged the university students present at the event to engage in healthy activities and help spread awareness against substance abuse.

Over 30 NGOs and agencies involved in fighting drug abuse and spreading awareness against drugs manned booths and interacted with the crowd.



## Scholarship Fund Renewed With Blat Notable Abdo Otayek

AUT President Ghada Hinain renewed the agreement signed with Mr. Abdo Otayek to grant residents of the city of Blat financial aid for their studies at AUT. Otayek has partially financed the studies of 78 students during the year 2017-18 and will continue doing so in conjunction with AUT Financial Aid Office.

In addition, the renewed agreement stipulates that part of 250 new jobs in 2020 guaranteed by Otayek for a major printing company be assured by AUT through preparing graduates that fit the profile needed in design, accounting, computer science, and marketing. The renewal of the agreement was attended by senior staff of AUT.

## AUT and Armenian Parliamentary Block Sign MOU

MP Hagop Pakradounian representing both the Tashnag Party and the Armenian Parliamentary Block visited AUT on August 20, 2018 and met with senior staff before signing an agreement with AUT to boost the enrollment of Armenian students at AUT and get special financial aid for them.

Pakradounian said this agreement helps increase the funds dedicated by the Tashnag Party to education and higher education.

AUT President Ghada Hinain said the agreement supports the mission of AUT to maintain diversity on campus and make higher education more accessible to various components of the Lebanese society.



## MP Simon Abi Ramia Fund At AUT



MP Simon Abi Ramia signed a memorandum of understanding with the Vice President of AUT to establish a scholarship fund under his name to help students in need for support to pay their tuition.

The Simon Abi Ramia Scholarship Fund will grant eligible students financial aid support to cover up to 40% of AUT tuition fees and is regulated by the AUT financial aid and scholarship terms and conditions. Interested students can contact the Admissions Office at AUT for eligibility criteria.

## MP Fady Karam Fund At AUT

In order to better reach out to the residents of the Koura district, AUT signed an MOU with the Secretary General of the Strong Republic Parliamentary Bloc, Dr. Fady Karam to establish a fund under his name. The fund will pay for students who choose to enroll at AUT in Dahr Ain or Halat campus and need financial aid to pursue their studies. It stipulates admission terms and conditions and includes a clause for scholarships based on merits.

The Dr. Fady Karam Scholarship Fund enters into effect as of July 13.



## MP Chawki Daccache Fund At AUT



AUT has dedicated a scholarship fund to Member of Parliament Chawki Daccache. The fund allows new students recommended by Mr Daccache to get financing up to 40% of tuition fees. Mr Daccache has expressed strong interest in contributing to the efforts of the young people of his circumscription- Keserwan- to get quality higher education at affordable fees and contact with AUT led to the establishment of the Fund. Students who want to benefit from this Fund must get in touch with MP Daccache's office in Okaybeh.

## Alumni Holy Matrimony

We're happy to see alumni getting married and building new families!  
Congratulations!!



Celine Abi Khalil



Nancy Abi Safi El Amm



Fady Njeim



Issam Eid

*Stay tuned for more news in Fall*



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