



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT GUIDEBOOK



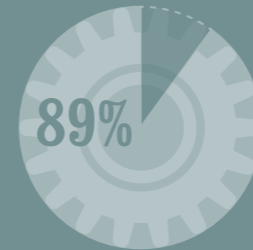
Welcome to American University, an environment that empowers.

Located in Washington, DC, the capital of the United States, American University (AU) is one of the top-ranked universities in the country. We use Washington, DC as our laboratory for learning, providing students with high impact learning practices that give them the knowledge and experience to succeed. AU students are encouraged to explore their interests and find what they are passionate about. If you are looking for engaging classes mixed with hands-on experiential learning, then American University is the school for you.

STUDENT BODY

UNDERGRADUATE ENROLLMENT: 7,260

TOTAL ENROLLMENT: 13,201



89% UNDERGRADUATES PARTICIPATED IN AN INTERNSHIP
American.edu (Class of 2014)

90% of 2014 AU graduates were employed, enrolled in graduate school, or both, within six months of graduation



STUDENT TO FACULTY RATIO

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60% UNDERGRADUATES STUDIED ABROAD
American.edu (Class of 2014)

7 SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

65+ BACHELOR'S ACADEMIC PROGRAMS



AVERAGE CLASS SIZE

23

14 NCAA DIVISION I MEN'S & WOMEN'S INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS TEAMS



125+ COUNTRIES AND ALL 50 STATES ARE REPRESENTED

MORE THAN 200 STUDENT-LED ORGANIZATIONS



FULL-TIME TEACHING FACULTY HOLD THE HIGHEST DEGREE IN THEIR FIELD

94%



Study in the capital of the United States.

Washington, DC is an iconic city for Americans as well as for the rest of the world. Home to active government branches and hundreds of international embassies, some of the most powerful global leaders meet here to discuss world-changing events and policy decisions. DC is also a hub for business and innovation—offering unequalled opportunities for internships and hands-on learning opportunities.

A city that offers global opportunities and never-ending excitement.

Nestled amid the upscale neighborhoods and embassies of upper northwest Washington, DC, AU offers a safe and welcoming community right next to a bustling city. The exciting nightlife of Dupont Circle is just four Metro (subway) stops away from campus, and the high-end shopping in Penn Quarter is just seven Metro stops away. The world-renowned cultural and historical institutions of the Smithsonian, the National Mall, and National Theater – just eight Metro stops away. From sports stadiums and theaters to beautiful parks, Washington, DC has everything you need.

Located on the mid-Atlantic coast of the United States, Washington, DC is a short trip away from many other major cities quickly accessible from any of the region's three airports. DC enjoys four seasons including cherry tree blossoms in the spring, warm summers, beautiful foliage in the fall, and mild winters.





TRANSFORMATIONAL

FIND YOUR HOME AT AMERICAN UNIVERSITY

As a global university, AU has a long tradition of welcoming students from across the world to our campus. AU is home to more than 1,370 international students representing diverse cultures and viewpoints from 129 countries. This diversity is also reflected in our faculty, academic programs, and exchanges.

AU's faculty not only network with leading experts—they are experts. Our faculty are scholar-teachers—cutting-edge researchers at the top of their fields and lecturers par excellence who are passionate about sharing their knowledge with you.

Standard Application

Sometimes choosing a college is less about what you want to do and more about discovering who you want to be.

If you want to inspire meaningful change, then AU is the right place for you. In our immersive environment, you will be surrounded by the thinkers, innovations, and opportunities it takes to ignite a lifetime passion.

HOW TO APPLY

Apply online using the Common Application (www.commonapp.org). Applications are reviewed only when all of the following are received by the Office of Enrollment:

- Completed Common Application form including essay and CV/résumé
- Application fee of U.S. \$70
- Academic records for grades 9-12 with official transcripts and certified English translations for each secondary institution attended, if applicable
- Two academic letters of recommendation
- Demonstrated English proficiency
- Completed AU Certification of Finances (AU CFIS) form showing at least U.S. \$61,157 for first year of study and living expenses*
- Bank letter showing at least U.S. \$61,157 for first year of study and living expenses*

NO SAT OR ACT NEEDED

AU does not evaluate SAT or ACT scores for students (including U.S. citizens) graduating from secondary schools outside the U.S.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

If you plan to begin your studies in August 2016 (fall semester):

Application Type	Deadline	Notification
Early Decision I	November 15	by December 31
Early Decision II	January 15	by February 15
Regular Decision	January 15	by April 15

If you plan to begin your studies in January 2017 (spring semester): October 1, 2016. For students living outside the United States, we recommend September 1, 2016.

EARLY DECISION I AND II

The Early Decision Plan at AU is an application option for freshman students for whom AU is their first choice. It is a binding agreement, which means that when you apply as an Early Decision candidate, you agree to enroll at AU, if admitted, in exchange for receiving your admission decision early. You may submit applications to other schools before receiving an admissions notification from AU. However, if admitted to AU, you must submit a tuition deposit and withdraw your applications to all other colleges and universities at that time.

Visit www.american.edu/admissions/international/internationalinstructions.cfm for more information.

*Only for non-U.S. citizens who will need a student visa (F or J). Financial documents showing less than U.S. \$61,157 will not be accepted. For the AU Cost Guide, sample bank letters and the AU CFIS and Transfer in Forms, visit: www.american.edu/ocl/iss/Financial-Proof.cfm

Undergraduate Accelerator

For International Students

The move from high school in your home country to a university in the United States can be challenging—a new language, new ways of learning, and a new home.

The Undergraduate Accelerator helps to make this transition easier by combining credit-bearing courses from the first year of your degree with additional support, teaching, and cultural experiences. Small cohorts, hands-on and interactive classes, and community-focused programming combine to help you find success.

The Undergraduate Accelerator is comprised of three distinct program tracks: the Extended Accelerator, the Academic Accelerator, and the Integrated Accelerator. The program that's right for you will depend on your academic background, level of English-language proficiency, and personal preferences; however, all Undergraduate Accelerator programs offer the following:

FLEXIBILITY

In the U.S. academic model, you can change majors, explore what interests you, and customize your education to pursue your dreams.

24/7 MULTILINGUAL SUPPORT

As an Undergraduate Accelerator student, you and your family benefit from support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Help on all matters, large or small, is just a phone call away. You can count on support for all issues, even practicalities such as airport pickup, opening a bank account, and mobile phone registration.

DEDICATED SUPPORT SERVICES TEAM

You can depend on your Student Services Advisor—every Undergraduate Accelerator student has one. The Undergraduate Accelerator provides regular tutoring sessions, dedicated career and academic advisors, and direct access to professors.

SMALL CLASS SIZE

You will take small, dedicated classes with your cohort to give you greater individual attention and tailored support.

AMERICAN CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

Attend an AU Eagles basketball game, go on a tailored tour of the U.S. Capitol and view the original U.S. Constitution, and see a show at the world-famous Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

CAREER SUPPORT SERVICES

You can complete a series of focused career development activities tailored to the unique experiences of international students.

OPPORTUNITY TO STUDY WITH U.S. AND INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Although you'll benefit from a curriculum tailored for international students, you will live alongside U.S. students and connect with student mentors who are current AU students, American and international.

The Extended Accelerator Program, Academic Accelerator Program, and Integrated Accelerator Program are all developed to help international students succeed.

LIVE LEARN GROW

Depending on your specific program track, you will take either two or three semesters of the Undergraduate Accelerator's signature course: Live, Learn, Grow. The course's skills-based curriculum and experiential approach is critical to your personal and professional growth and helps to ensure your success at American University and beyond:

- Acquire essential information for day-to-day life at American University as you navigate your immediate physical and emotional surroundings and immerse yourself deeper into the AU community.
- Become a well-rounded, autonomous learner by exploring the individual nature of learning and employing active-learning exercises to demonstrate effective learning strategies.
- Share your experiences, document your growth, and articulate your personal, academic, and professional goals through a capstone video project while simultaneously building technical skills through the use of mixed media tools and techniques.



American University was chartered by an Act of Congress in 1893. Over the years, six sitting U.S. presidents have served on our Board of Trustees, and it is a point of pride that presidents—from John F. Kennedy to Barack Obama—have spoken on campus.

GET MORE THAN HIGH MARKS

Integrated Accelerator Program

The Integrated Accelerator Program (IAP) is a two-semester program designed specifically for international students with an advanced level of English-language proficiency.

The IAP provides just the right amount of academic, cultural, professional, and linguistic support you need to thrive at American University. The program features a robust advising and mentorship component as well as priority access to the most exclusive, in-demand courses. You may enter the program in the spring, summer, or fall and progress into year two of your undergraduate education with a full year's worth of academic credits. Depending on your degree, you may choose elective courses in business, humanities, or the sciences.

FOR THE HIGH-ACHIEVING INTERNATIONAL STUDENT, the Integrated Accelerator Program provides an exclusive and academically rigorous freshman-year experience.

HAVE PRIORITY ACCESS to a selection of courses hand-picked by your academic advisor, which are tailored to your interests and career goals.

FIND SUCCESS with coaches and mentors that help ensure you have access to the resources you need to get the most out of your education and your experience in the United States.

EXPAND YOUR NETWORK through career preparation and programming that deepens your connection to the university, your fellow students, and potential employers.

INTEGRATED ACCELERATOR

Sample Curriculum

SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2
Live, Learn, Grow II	Live, Learn, Grow III
College Writing	College Writing
Media and Culture	U.S. Society or Arts
Macroeconomics with English Lab	Culture and Human Experience or Arts
Intercultural Understanding with English Lab	Psychology
Algebra to Calculus II	

Courses may vary.



American University has 38 alumni chapters around the world. Our alumni live in all U.S. states and territories, 160 countries, and all 6 continents—including Antarctica every now and then.

BE EMPOWERED

Academic Accelerator Program

The Academic Accelerator Program (AAP) is a two-semester program designed specifically for students who are ready to succeed in immersive English-speaking classrooms.

The AAP also gives you the benefit of English-language and student support that will help you thrive. The program curriculum offers a balance of university-wide and AAP-exclusive courses, with English-language course supplements that will equip you with the practical, subject-specific vocabulary and skills you need to excel in your coursework. You may enter the program in the spring, summer, or fall and progress into year two of your undergraduate education with a full year's worth of academic credits. Depending on your degree, you may choose your elective courses in business, humanities, or the sciences.

JUST THE RIGHT AMOUNT OF SUPPORT

when you need it. The Academic Accelerator Program features a curriculum designed to accommodate your academic and English-language needs.

CREDIT-BEARING COURSES,

so it is possible to earn a full freshman year's worth of credits while taking courses tailored to your needs as an international student, helping you achieve your academic and career goals.

ENGLISH-LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION TO MEET YOUR NEEDS,

both socially and academically; for example, you will be prepared specifically for the classes you will take, such as algebra and U.S. history.

INTEGRATED WITH OPEN AND CLOSED COURSES,

so you'll be in some classes with U.S. students and others with your designated AAP cohort.

ACADEMIC ACCELERATOR

Sample Curriculum

SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2
Live, Learn, Grow II	Live, Learn, Grow III
English for Academic Purposes II	Academic Writing Skills
Media and Culture	College Writing
Macroeconomics with English Lab	U.S. Society or Arts
Intercultural Understanding with English Lab	Culture and Human Experience
Algebra to Calculus II	Psychology

Courses may vary.

PREPARE FOR SUCCESS

Extended Accelerator Program

The Extended Accelerator Program (EAP) is a three-semester program for students seeking an immersive English-learning experience.

The program gives you a firsthand, practical, and cultural understanding of the American University campus and the Washington, DC area through its contextual curriculum. You may enter the program in the spring, summer, or fall and progress into year two of your undergraduate education with a full year's worth of academic credits. Depending on your degree, you may choose your elective curriculum in business, humanities, or the sciences.

AN IMMERSIVE EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

with a contextual curriculum bridging language, culture, and academics.

FROM DC TO THE WORLD

is a unique course designed for international students that will deepen your working knowledge of life in the United States and give you a comprehensive understanding of the local community and region.

BOLSTER YOUR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

with extra English-language instruction, tutoring, academic advising, and student support.

BENEFIT FROM SUPPLEMENTAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION

to support your courses, for instance, lab-specific English-language instruction alongside your lab-science course.

EXTENDED ACCELERATOR

Sample Curriculum

SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2	SEMESTER 3
Live, Learn, Grow I	Live, Learn, Grow II	Live, Learn, Grow III
English for Academic Purposes I	English for Academic Purposes II	Academic Writing Skills
Technology for Academic Purposes	Media and Culture	College Writing
American University and the World	Macroeconomics with English Lab	U.S. Society or Arts
Math: Algebra to Calculus	Intercultural Understanding with English Lab	Culture and Human Experience
	Algebra to Calculus II	Psychology

Courses may vary.

WAYS TO ENTER

American University offers several ways for international students to enter their first year. The entry path that is best for you will depend on your academic qualifications, your English-language level, and your own personal preferences.

		INTEGRATED ACCELERATOR	ACADEMIC ACCELERATOR	EXTENDED ACCELERATOR	PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE (English Language & Training Academy)
PROGRAM	First-Year Program Length	2 semesters/9 months	2 semesters/9 months	3 semesters/12 months	14 week sessions (Duration based on English-language proficiency)
	Program Curriculum	Curated Curriculum	Preset	Preset	Preset
	Total Credits Earned Towards Degree	30+ Credits*	30+ Credits*	30+ Credits	Not applicable
	Progression into	Year 2 of degree	Year 2 of degree	Year 2 of degree	Extended Accelerator Program
ADMISSIONS	Minimum GPA for Entry	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
	Minimum IELTS/TOEFL for Entry	IELTS 6.5/TOEFL 80	IELTS 6.0/TOEFL 74	IELTS 5.5/TOEFL 68	IELTS <5.5 TOEFL <68
	Other Standardized Tests Required	None	None	None	None
	Tuition and Fees	\$44,815 USD	\$47,165 USD	\$53,765 USD	\$8,060 USD
	Application Turn-Around Time	<5 days	<5 days	<5 days	<5 days
Application Deadline	5 weeks prior to program start	5 weeks prior to program start	5 weeks prior to program start	5 weeks prior to program start	

*Students starting in the spring may not earn 30 transferable credits due to availability of classes.

** Some programs may require a higher GPA for entry.

PROGRAM	YEAR 1			YEAR 2			YEAR 3			YEAR 4			YEAR 4+		
	Fall	Spring	Summer	Fall	Spring	Summer	Fall	Spring	Summer	Fall	Spring	Summer	Fall	Spring	Summer
INTEGRATED ACCELERATOR (IAP) 2 Semesters		IAP		UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE											
ACADEMIC ACCELERATOR (AAP) 2 Semesters		AAP		UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE											
EXTENDED ACCELERATOR (EAP) 3 Semesters		EAP		UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE											
PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE	VARIES	EAP		UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE											

Note: Students in the IAP, AAP, and Standard Entry are not required to take courses during the summer semester.



STIMULATING

FIND YOUR PASSION

AU's academically rigorous curriculum challenges you to combine serious theoretical study with meaningful real-world learning experiences. Whatever major you choose, you will acquire a solid foundation in the liberal arts and pursue in-depth study in your chosen fields. Faculty at AU are both world-class academics and serious practitioners. Our professors teach, mentor, and invest in the success of every student. AU is a vibrant scholarly community offering first-rate opportunities for internships, research, and creative expression.

Choose Your Degree

Degrees at AU

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

- American Studies
- Anthropology
- Applied Mathematics
- Arab World Studies
- Arabic Studies
- Art History
- Asian Studies
- Audio Production
- Audio Technology
- Biochemistry
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Computational Science
- Computer Science
- Economics
- Elementary Education
- Environmental Science
- Environmental Studies
- Fine Arts
- French Studies
- German Studies
- Graphic Design
- Health Promotion
- History
- Jewish Studies
- Language and Area Studies
- Literature
- Mathematics
- Mathematics and Economics
- Music
- Musical Theatre

- Neuroscience
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Psychology
- Public Health
- Religious Studies
- Russian Studies
- Secondary Education
- Sociology
- Spanish Studies
- Statistics
- Studio Art
- Theatre
- Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies

Languages:

- Arabic
- Chinese
- French
- German
- Hebrew
- Italian
- Japanese
- Korean
- Portuguese
- Russian
- Spanish
- Swahili

INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

- Foreign Language and Communication Media
- Language and Area Studies:
 - French/Europe
 - German/Europe

- Russian/ Area Studies
- Spanish/ Latin America

KOGOD SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

- Accounting
- Business Administration:
 - Accounting
 - Entrepreneurship
 - Finance
 - Information Systems and Technology
 - International Business
 - Management
 - Marketing
- Business, Language, and Culture
 - Language tracks:
 - Arabic
 - French
 - German
 - Russian
 - Spanish
- Business and Entertainment
- Finance

SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

- International Studies:
 - Environmental Sustainability and Global Health

- Foreign Policy and National Security
- Global and Comparative Governance
- Global Inequality and Development
- Identity, Race, Gender, and Culture
- Justice, Ethics, and Human Rights
- Peace, Global Security, and Conflict Resolution
- The Global Economy

SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION

- Communication Studies
- Film and Media Arts
- Foreign Language and Communication Media
- Journalism
- Public Relations and Strategic Communication

SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

- Communication, Legal Institutions, Economics, and Government (CLEG)
- Justice and Law
- Law and Society
- Political Science

For a complete list of programs, majors, and minors, visit: www.american.edu/degrees.cfm

Some degree programs may require students to apply to enter their programs or may have prerequisites that students will need to fulfill. Students should speak with their academic advisor upon arriving on campus.



KOGOD SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

American University's Kogod School of Business is dedicated to providing rigorous business education and research while encouraging a diverse and forward-thinking community. Our more than 1,000 students and 75 full-time faculty hail from dozens of countries around the world.

Students at Kogod also have access to state-of-the-art facilities, such as our Financial Services and Information Technology Lab, and academic and career services through our Kogod Center for Career Development and Kogod Center for Business Communications.

Established in 1955, the Kogod School of Business has a diverse population that is driven to make a difference within organizations and in the world at large.

We offer undergraduate business degrees with unmatched opportunities for specialization. From our top-ranked International Business program to our new Entrepreneurship minor, Kogod is dedicated to providing a strong business base for tomorrow's leaders to build on, no matter the path they choose to take.

Kogod is accredited by The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB International). AACSB accreditation represents the highest standard of achievement for business schools worldwide.



SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

American University's School of Public Affairs (SPA) is home to leading scholars in public policy, public administration, criminology, law and society, organizational development, political science, and other complex fields.

We strive to empower those who seek knowledge, conduct and apply research, build a bridge between academic thought and policy planning, and inspire change at every level.

With more than 1,600 current students and more than 20,000 alumni, our faculty and students tackle complex issues with thoughtful research that educates, informs, and promotes change across a broad field of study, from knowledge to action to impact.

Nearly all SPA alumni (93%) are working in their preferred job or attending the graduate school of their choice within six months after graduation. The majority of alumni work in the nonprofit, government, and private sectors.

The **SCHOOL** of
PUBLIC AFFAIRS
is top-ranked

(U.S. News & World Report, 2016)

#12 Public Affairs*

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#8 Public Management Administration*

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#24 Public Finance and Budgeting*

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#28 Public Policy Analysis*

*Postgraduate rankings

The **KOGOD**
SCHOOL of
BUSINESS
is one of the top-ranked
in the U.S.

#18 Best Colleges

for Earning a Business Degree
Fortune Magazine and Money.com, 2015

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#5 Top Accounting Programs
GraduatePrograms.com, 2015

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#1 Best Undergraduate
Business Schools
for Sustainability
Bloomberg Businessweek, 2013

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#21 Best Undergraduate
Business Programs —
International Business
U.S. News & World Report, 2016

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#45 Top Schools for
Environmental Sustainability
Net Impact Business UNusual, 2014

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STUDENT MEAL PLAN

AU Dining strives to create a dining program that increases student satisfaction and transforms the average dining experience. AU Dining works to provide an unsurpassed undergraduate experience, acting on values centered around social responsibility and service and encouraging innovation and high performance. Undergraduate Accelerator students are required to enroll in a full or half meal plan, depending on your housing.

If you're looking for a great meal, visit one of our many dining locations and you won't be disappointed. You'll find pizza, grill items and salads, not to mention some delicious desserts! Our menus are created by experienced chefs who have a passion for food, featuring fresh fruits, vegetables, and whole grains. We're proud to serve culturally diverse menus, featuring traditional favorites, ethnic dishes, and international flavors.

Student Housing

All Undergraduate Accelerator students are guaranteed conveniently-located housing as part of their program. You will be assigned housing upon acceptance to the program, and may be living on- or off-campus.

ON-CAMPUS HOUSING

American University's residence halls are dynamic communities that promote student learning in a fun and affirming atmosphere. Each of our buildings have unique features and special communities and are designed to promote student success. You may be living in a double or triple room and may be roommates with other AU students.

ON-CAMPUS ROOM FEATURES

- Central campus location
- Community feel
- Fully furnished room with bed, desk, closet, and storage space
- Wireless internet and HD cable television access
- Central air conditioning
- Shared bathroom
- Community lounges, kitchens, laundry rooms, and study areas
- 24/7 front desk receptionist



Image of sample double on-campus room

OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING

Undergraduate Accelerator students may be assigned housing in an off-campus location called The Berkshire. This apartment community is located just a short walk from AU's campus. Undergraduate Accelerator students will be assigned a roommate from the program and will share a one-bedroom apartment with two twin beds.

OFF-CAMPUS ROOM FEATURES

- Steps away from campus
- Fully furnished room with bed, closet, and storage space
- Wireless internet and HD cable television access
- Central air conditioning
- In-building fitness center, gaming room, and small grocery store
- Community lounge area
- 24/7 front desk receptionist

Students will be provided a form to state their housing preference with their conditional offer letter.

THIS IS WHERE SUCCESS BEGINS

Earning a degree from American University is an investment in your future. From your first year onward, AU offers an exceptional education in one of the most globally connected and vibrant cities in the U.S.

Tuition & Fees Estimated Annual Program Costs	INTEGRATED ACCELERATOR PROGRAM 2 Semesters	ACADEMIC ACCELERATOR PROGRAM 2 Semesters	EXTENDED ACCELERATOR PROGRAM 3 Semesters
Tuition and Fees	\$44,815	\$47,165	\$53,765
Health Insurance	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
	+	+	+
On-Campus Housing & Meals	\$17,010	\$17,010	\$21,575
Total	\$63,825	\$66,175	\$77,340
	OR	OR	OR
Off-Campus Housing & Meals	\$21,910	\$21,910	\$28,980
Total	\$68,725	\$71,075	\$84,745

The Integrated Accelerator Program tuition is the same as Standard Application tuition.

Costs are subject to change. Students should refer to www.american.edu/accelerator for the most up-to-date information.

All prices listed are USD.

IN NEED OF ADDITIONAL ENGLISH COURSES BEFORE ENROLLING IN THE INTERNATIONAL ACCELERATOR?

The pre-session English language program classes are designed to improve students' comprehension and ability to take rigorous academic courses in the English language.

Tuition & Fees Estimated Annual Program Costs	PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAM 14 Weeks
Tuition and Fees	\$8,060

NOTE: A housing preference form will be included with your conditional acceptance offer. All costs and fees are subject to change.

The cost listed for on-campus housing and meals includes housing in a double room and the 225 Block Meal Plan with approximately 13 meals per week. Triple rooms with hall bathrooms are also available. Students may upgrade their meal plans at any time.

The cost listed for off-campus housing and meals includes housing in a double room with bathroom and the 125 Block Meal Plan with approximately 7 meals per week. Students should budget for additional meals per week. Students may upgrade their meal plans at any time.

IMPORTANT DATES

Students may apply to enter the Undergraduate Accelerator three times during the year: fall, spring, and summer. Students who would like to take additional English courses before they progress to their academic careers may enter through AU's pre-session English language program before progressing to the Extended Accelerator Program.

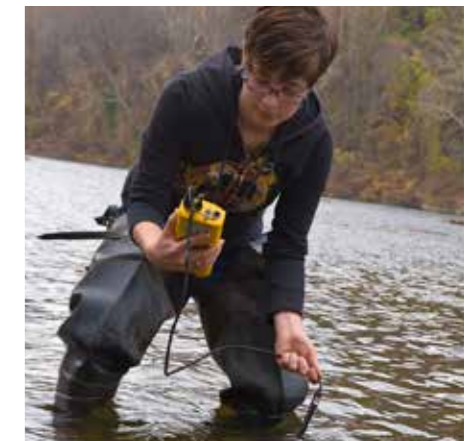
Fall 2016	INTEGRATED ACCELERATOR PROGRAM 2 Semesters	ACADEMIC ACCELERATOR PROGRAM 2 Semesters	EXTENDED ACCELERATOR PROGRAM 3 Semesters	PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAM 14 Weeks
Application Deadline	July 15, 2016	July 15, 2016	July 15, 2016	July 15, 2016
Move-In Date	August 19, 2016	August 19, 2016	August 19, 2016	August 24, 2016
Program Start Date	August 20, 2016	August 20, 2016	August 20, 2016	August 25, 2016

Spring 2017	INTEGRATED ACCELERATOR PROGRAM 2 Semesters	ACADEMIC ACCELERATOR PROGRAM 2 Semesters	EXTENDED ACCELERATOR PROGRAM 3 Semesters	PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAM 14 Weeks
Application Deadline	December 1, 2016	December 1, 2016	December 1, 2016	December 1, 2016
Move-In Date	January 10, 2017	January 10, 2017	January 10, 2017	January 10, 2017
Program Start Date	January 11, 2017	January 11, 2017	January 11, 2017	January 11, 2017

Summer 2017	INTEGRATED ACCELERATOR PROGRAM 2 Semesters	ACADEMIC ACCELERATOR PROGRAM 2 Semesters	EXTENDED ACCELERATOR PROGRAM 3 Semesters	PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAM 14 Weeks
Application Deadline	April 1, 2017	April 1, 2017	April 1, 2017	April 1, 2017
Move-In Date	May 17, 2017	May 17, 2017	May 17, 2017	May 31, 2017
Program Start Date	May 18, 2017	May 18, 2017	May 18, 2017	June 1, 2017

Please note that Summer 2017 dates are approximate.

All dates are accurate at time of printing, but are subject to change. Please visit www.american.edu/accelerator for the most up-to-date information.



HOW TO APPLY

1

Complete Your Application

Email your completed application to admissions@auaccelerator.com or mail it to:
International Accelerator Program at American University
211 Asbury Hall
4400 Massachusetts Ave, NW
Washington, DC 20016 USA

2

Submit Your Official Transcripts

Mail them to:
International Accelerator Program at American University
211 Asbury Hall
4400 Massachusetts Ave, NW
Washington, DC 20016 USA
You may also email scanned copies to admissions@auaccelerator.com or submit official transcripts in-person upon arrival on campus. Original transcripts must be viewed by an official American University recruiter, public notary, or regional office and certified with a stamp on the application. Students cannot enroll until originals have been received.

3

Submit Proof of English Language Ability

If your native language is not English, please submit proof of your English language ability. Visit www.american.edu/accelerator for a full list of accepted tests.

4

Provide Certification of Finances

After your conditional offer is received (congratulations!), you need to submit any additional documents requested in the offer letter. You must also provide a Certificate of Finances and accompanying documentation from your bank showing sufficient funds for your program. Finally, you must pay a deposit of \$2,000 USD. The deposit will be refunded if the requirements are not met. See Terms and Conditions on pages 33-34.

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Receive Your Offer of Admission

First, have a celebration! Then, visit www.american.edu/accelerator/welcome to download a useful checklist!

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Get Your Visa

Once you are officially admitted to a program, the admissions team at International Accelerator at American University will send you the required documents to apply for visa processing with the U.S. embassy in your country.

We have regional teams located across the world ready to assist you with your International Accelerator at American University application and give you advice and guidance throughout the admissions process. Contact admissions@auaccelerator.com and we will direct your query to our team in your region.



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PERSONAL DETAILS

Name must appear exactly as shown in applicant's passport.

Title:	Gender:
Family name:	
Given names:	
Preferred name:	
Date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY):	
Country of birth:	
Country of citizenship:	
City of birth:	
Passport number:	
Passport date of expiry:	

CONTACT DETAILS

Permanent non-U.S. home address (mandatory):		
Address 1:		
City:		
Region:		
State:		
Province:		
Postal code:		
Country:		
Applicant's mailing address in the USA (if applicable):		
City:	State:	Postal code:
Mobile telephone: (+XXX) XXX XXXX		
Home telephone:		
Applicant's email (mandatory):		

Recruiter or agent name (if applicable):
Recruiter's email:
Recruiter's address:
Address 1:
City:
Region:
State:
Province:
Postal code:
Country:

EMERGENCY CONTACT

Name:	Relationship:
Address:	
Home telephone:	
Mobile telephone:	
Email:	

SELECT YOUR ROUTE TO SCHOOL

<input type="checkbox"/> Extended Accelerator Program (EAP) – 3 Semesters
<input type="checkbox"/> Academic Accelerator Program (AAP) – 2 Semesters
<input type="checkbox"/> Integrated Accelerator Program (IAP) – 2 Semesters
<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Sessional English (for progression into EAP) – 14 Weeks

INTENDED MAJOR

Write in Major: _____

INTENDED START DATE

Indicate year and semester you wish to start.

Year: August (Fall) January (Spring) May (Summer)

EDUCATION DETAILS

English Proficiency

IELTS band (total) score:	
Date taken or scheduled (DD/MM/YYYY):	
IELTS section scores (R): (W): (S): (L):	
TOEFL* total score:	
Date taken or scheduled (DD/MM/YYYY):	
TOEFL* subtest scores: (R): (W): (S): (L):	
Native language:	Years of English study:
Have you taken another English Language exam? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, please provide copies of results with application.	

Form I-20

Do you have a valid Form I-20 from another institution in the United States?
 Yes No
If 'Yes' please provide a copy with your application materials.

Education History (post-secondary and further education)

Name of secondary school attended:	
City of secondary school:	
Country of secondary school:	
From (DD/MM/YYYY):	To (DD/MM/YYYY):
Anticipated date of secondary school graduation:	
Have you attended additional secondary schools? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, please provide transcripts with application.	
Language of instruction:	

Name of post-secondary school attended:
City of post-secondary school:
Country of post-secondary school:
From (DD/MM/YYYY) to (DD/MM/YYYY):
Anticipated date of graduation/transfer:
Language of instruction:
Have you attended additional post-secondary institutions? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, please provide transcripts with application.

EDUCATION DETAILS (CONTINUED)

Advanced Tests (if applicable)

SAT total score:	SAT date (DD/MM/YYYY):	
CR score:	Math score:	
ACT scores:	ACT date (DD/MM/YYYY):	
Composite:	Math:	English:
Other test:	Other test date (DD/MM/YYYY):	

TRANSFER INFORMATION

This is required information if you are transferring from another educational institution in the United States to American University. This information is important for immigration services and will be used to transfer your I-20.

City/State/Country: _____

From DD/MM/YYYY to DD/MM/YYYY: _____

Degree earned: _____

School transferring from: _____

SEVIS #: _____

DEPENDENTS

Do you have dependents you would like to add to your I-20?

 Yes No**AIRPORT RECEPTION**

Do you require airport pick up? After you book your travel, please visit auaccelerator.com/flight and enter your arrival details and flight information.

 Yes No**MEDICAL INSURANCE REQUIREMENT**

(This section must be completed.)

I understand that the International Accelerator at American University will provide a required 12 months of medical coverage upon my arrival in the United States, at a cost of \$2,000 USD. At the end of 12 months I will be required to extend the initial coverage. This fee changes annually and is correct at the time of printing.

SPONSORED STUDENTS

Please indicate if any part of your education will sponsored.

Type of sponsorship (for example: tuition, fees, living expenses, other):
Name of sponsoring organization:

OTHER INFORMATION

How did you first learn about American University?

- Exhibition or seminar
 Newspaper or magazine
 Recommendation from friend or colleague
 Recommendation from recruiter

Name: _____

 Internet search or advertisement Recommendation from family member**ADDITIONAL APPLICATION MATERIALS REQUIRED**

- Copy of passport (if available)
 Copy of academic transcript
 Copy of official English assessment score report
 Copy of bank statements

Please note: Accepted students must bring original copies of all materials when arriving on campus.

PERSONAL STATEMENT

1. Have you ever been subject to disciplinary action or do you currently have a disciplinary charge pending by any educational institution for academic misconduct, such as cheating? (You do not need to disclose any academic dismissal, suspension, or probation that was due to poor grades.)

 Yes No

2. Have you ever been subject to disciplinary action or do you currently have a disciplinary charge pending by any educational institution for behavior misconduct, such as fighting?

 Yes No

3. Have you ever been convicted of, or charged with, a criminal offense or are you currently the subject of any criminal proceeding?

 Yes No

If you have answered 'yes' to either of the above questions, please submit a separate sheet that gives the circumstances and approximate date of each incident.

DECLARATION

I declare that the information I have supplied on this form is complete and correct. I understand that giving false or incomplete information may lead to the refusal of my application or cancellation of enrollment and/or loss of visa status.

I have read and understand the published course information in the brochure or website, and I have sufficient information about American University and the International Accelerator at American University to make an informed enrollment decision.

I give American University and the International Accelerator at American University permission to obtain official records from any educational institution attended by me. I give American University permission to provide the International Accelerator at American University with any information pertaining to my application of study, my ongoing academic progress, and my results and attendance for the purposes of evaluating my admissibility and progression status.

I grant American University and the International Accelerator at American University permission to provide my parent(s), guardian(s) and recruiter, when requested, with any information pertaining to my application to study, ongoing academic progress, results and attendance.

I understand that after I commence my studies with the International Accelerator at American University, I will need to successfully complete the program and meet the minimum required progression standards before I can continue my studies at American University.

I understand that tuition and fees may change without notice. I accept responsibility for payment of all relevant tuition and fees, and I agree to abide by the International Accelerator at American University refund policy.

I understand that living expenses in the United States may be higher than in my own country and I confirm that I have the financial ability to meet these costs.

I have read and understand the published program terms and conditions on pages 33-34 of this guidebook and understand that the most updated copy may be found at american.edu/accelerator.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

Date (DD/MM/YYYY):

PARENT OR GUARDIAN SIGNATURE (if applicant is under 18)

Date (DD/MM/YYYY):

APPLICATION SUBMISSIONScan and email completed application to admissions@auaccelerator.com.**OFFICE USE ONLY**

Application received:
Application number:

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

COUNTRY	CREDENTIAL	ALL PROGRAMS
USA	Successful graduation of year 12 and completion of college preparatory curriculum	3.0
Angola	Certificado de Habilitações Literárias	14
Argentina	Bachillerato	7
Australia	Year 12 certificates; grades and certificates vary by state and territory	B/70%
Bahrain	Tawjahiya Secondary School Certificate and General Certificate of Secondary Education	60%
Bangladesh	Higher Secondary Certificate (HSC)	50-59%
Botswana	Botswana General Certificate of Secondary Education	SC, FD, or B Avg
Brazil	Certificado de Ensino Medio or Certificado de Tecnico de Nivel Medio	8/10
Brunei	Brunei-Cambridge Certificate of Education Ordinary Level	BO Level B Second Class Upper
Cambodia	Baccalauréat	70%
Canada	Grade average will be assessed according to provincial variations and admission requirements for the program of study	73%
China	Earned an upper middle School Graduation Certificate with Huikao	80%
Chile	Licencia de Educacion Media	5.9
Colombia	Bachiller or Bachillerato ot Titulo de Bechiller Academico	8/10 3.7/5
Ecuador	Bachillerato or Titulo de Bachiller	8/10
Egypt	Thanaweya a"amma or General Secondary Education Certificate with a 64% or pass	70%
Fiji	Fiji School Leaving Certificate and Form 7 Certificate	5 Avg
France	Baccalauréat Général	12
GCE	Equivalent UCAS points in a combination of AS and A level results	240
GCSE/IGCSE	5 college preparatory subjects passed; students must also show transcripts demonstrating a minimum of eleven years of education and meet the minimum age requirement of the university	na
Ghana	West African School Certificate or Senior 9 Secondary School Certificate Examination with a minimum score in five subjects	B4
Guinea	Attestation De Reussite Et Releve De Notes	14/20
Hong Kong	HKDSE - Category A: Senior secondary subjects	Min of 4: (four core subjects with one add'l subject)
India	Years 10 and 12 exams	55%
Indonesia	Surat Tanda Tamat Belajar (STTB) or Sekolah Menengah Unum Tingkat Atas (SMA) in 5 academic subjects	7
International Baccalaureate	Completion with an overall average or subject score in each subject	33/5.0
Iran	Peesh-daneshgahii Diplome (High School Diploma)	14
Israel	Teudat Bagrut (Matriculation Certificate) with minimum 4 units Math, 4 units English	85%
Japan	Kotogakko Sotsugyo Shosho (Upper Secondary School Leaving Certificate)	4
Jordan	Tawjihi -Academic (General Sceondary Education Certificate)	70%
Kazakhstan	Attestat	3.5
Kenya	Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE)	B-/8
Korea, Republic of (South Korea)	Inmungye Kodung Hakkyo (High School Certificate) with an average weighted rank Korean GED	3 (rank) 85%
Kuwait	Shahadat Al-Thanawiya-Al-A'ama (Secondary School Diploma) with an average in academic courses	80%
Laos	Baccalaureat II	14.6 or higher
Macau	Senior Secondary Certificate	60% or 12 higher

COUNTRY	CREDENTIAL	ALL PROGRAMS
Malaysia	SPM Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia (Certificate of Education) with a B or higher,	na
	UEC (Unified Education Certificate)	na
	STPM Sijil Tinggi Persekolahan Malaysia (Advanced Certificate of Education)	B-
Mauritius	See GCE criteria	GCE
Mexico	Certificado de Bachillerato (Baccalaureate Certificate)	8
Mongolia	School Leaving Certificate (Gerchilgee) after 12 years	83/B
Myanmar	See IB or IGCSE credential	--
Nepal	Higher Secondary Certificate (HSC) with 45% (second division) or higher	50%
Nigeria	West African School Certificate or Nigerian Exam Council exam (NECO) with a minimum score in five subjects	B4
Oman	Thanawiya Amma (General Secondary School Certificate)	80%
Pakistan	Secondary School Certificate [SSC] & Higher Secondary Certificate (HSC)	45%
Panama	Diploma de Bachiller/Diploma de Educación Media	4.0/90%
Peru	Bachillerato Académico or Certificado de Educación Secundaria Común Completa	13/20
Philippines	High School Diploma	85%/B
Qatar	Al-Thanawiya Aama Qatari (General Secondary School Certificate)	70%
Russia	Attestat o srednem (polnom) obschem obrazovanii (Certificate of [Complete] General Secondary Education)	4
Saudi Arabia	Shahadat Al-Marhat Al-Thanawiyat (General Education Secondary Certificate) in the Natural Sciences track	80%
Singapore	O Level with 5 academic subjects	na
	A Level with passes in 3 subjects	B
South Africa	Senior Certificate with Matriculation Endorsement	C/60%
Sri Lanka	O Levels with 5 subject passes	na
	A Levels with passes in 3 subjects	B 65%
Sweden	Avgångsbetyg/Slutbetyg från Gymnasieskola (Certificate from Upper Secondary School) with 5 academic subjects	VG-G/70%
Taiwan	Senior High School Diploma or certificate of graduation	70%
Tanzania	Certificate of Secondary Education (CSE)	D/4
Thailand	Mathayom VI (Secondary) Certificate/M6	70%
Turkey	Lise Diploması (Secondary School [Lyceum] Diploma)	3/55%
UAE	Tawjihyya (General Secondary Education Certificate)	80%
Uganda	Uganda Advanced Certificate of Education with a minimum of 2 Principal Passing grades of D or higher and at least 1 subsidiary pass in a college preparatory subject; in addition, Uganda Certificate of Education with a C (7) average or higher or General Certificate of Education Level (O Level) Examination Certificate with 5 academic subjects passed is required	B5
Ukraine	Attestat Certificate of Complete General Secondary Education or Matriculation Certificate	4/8
United Kingdom	See GCE criteria	GCE
Vietnam	Baccalaureat II (Bang Tot Nghiep Trung Hoc Pho Thong or Bang Tot Nghiep Bo Tuch Van Hoa)	7
West African School Certificate	Completion with a minimum of 5 subjects	B3
Zambia	Zambian School Certificate Examination with five subjects	B4
Zimbabwe	Zimbabwe School Certificate with five subjects passed	B

Progression Requirements for Major Programs at American University

To progress from the International Accelerator Program to an undergraduate degree program at AU, students must pass all IAP courses (credit and noncredit) and earn a minimum GPA 2.5 (or higher as indicated in the table below) with no grade lower than a "C." For information by program, see below. To graduate from an undergraduate degree program at American University students should have a minimum of 120 credit hours, completed their college writing requirement, and completed their university mathematics requirement.

MAJOR	DEGREE	MINIMUM GPA REQUIREMENT TO PROGRESS FROM THE INTERNATIONAL ACCELERATOR
College of Arts and Science		ask-cas@american.edu
American Studies	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Anthropology	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Applied Mathematics	Bachelor of Science	2.5
Arab World Studies	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Arabic Studies	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Art History	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Asian Studies	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Audio Production	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Audio Technology	Bachelor of Science	2.5
Biochemistry	Bachelor of Science	2.5
Biology	Bachelor of Science	2.5
Chemistry	Bachelor of Science	2.5
Computer Science	Bachelor of Science	2.5
Economics	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Economics	Bachelor of Science	2.5
Environmental Science	Bachelor of Science	2.5
Environmental Studies	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Fine Arts	Bachelor of Fine Arts	2.5 and approval of a portfolio
French Studies	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
German Studies	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Graphic Design	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Health Promotion	Bachelor of Science	2.7
History	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Jewish Studies	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Language and Area Studies: French/Europe	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Language and Area Studies: German/Europe	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Language and Area Studies: Russian/Area Studies	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Language and Area Studies: Spanish/Latin America	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Language and Area Studies: Russian/Area Studies	Bachelor of Arts	A cumulative GPA of 3.0
Language and Area Studies: Spanish/Latin America	Bachelor of Arts	A cumulative GPA of 3.0
Literature	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Mathematics	Bachelor of Science	2.5
Music	Bachelor of Arts	2.5 and audition and interview

MAJOR	DEGREE	MINIMUM GPA REQUIREMENT TO PROGRESS FROM THE INTERNATIONAL ACCELERATOR
Neuroscience	Bachelor of Science	2.5
Performing Arts: Musical Theatre	Bachelor of Arts	2.5 and audition
Performing Arts: Theater	Bachelor of Arts	2.5 and audition
Philosophy	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Physics	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Physics	Bachelor of Science	2.5
Psychology	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Public Health	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Public Health	Bachelor of Science	2.5
Religious Studies	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Russian Studies	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Sociology	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Spanish Studies	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Statistics	Bachelor of Science	2.5
Studio Art	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Kogod School of Business		ksbadvising@american.edu
Accounting	Bachelor of Science	2.75
Business Administration	Bachelor of Science	2.75
Business and Entertainment	Bachelor of Science	2.75
Business, Language, and Culture Language	Bachelor of Science	2.75
Finance	Bachelor of Science	2.75
School of Communication		communication@american.edu
Communication: Communication Studies	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Communication: Film and Media Arts	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Communication: Journalism	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Foreign Language and Communication Media	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Public Relations and Strategic Communication	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
School of Education		ask-cas@american.edu
Elementary Education	Bachelor of Arts	2.7
Secondary Education	Bachelor of Arts	2.7
School of International Service		sisadvisors@american.edu
International Studies	Bachelor of Arts	3.0
School of Public Affairs		aupublicaffairs@american.edu
Interdisciplinary Studies: Communication, Legal Institutions, Economics, and Government	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Justice and Law	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Law and Society	Bachelor of Arts	2.5
Political Science	Bachelor of Arts	2.5

MAJOR	DEGREE	MINIMUM GPA REQUIREMENT TO PROGRESS FROM THE INTERNATIONAL ACCELERATOR
Joint Degrees		ask-cas@american.edu
Computational Science	Bachelor of Science	2.5
Mathematics and Economics	Bachelor of Science	2.5
Foreign Language and Communication Media	Bachelor of Arts	2.5



TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. International Accelerator Program at American University (IAP) students should read these terms and conditions carefully prior to submitting an application. In addition to these terms and conditions, as students at American University (“AU”), all IAP students are bound by the rules and regulations governing AU, as those may be amended from time to time (<http://www.american.edu/policies/index.cfm>).

2. AU and the IAP reserve the right to amend these terms and conditions from time to time. At all times, students will be required to comply with the then-current terms and conditions, found at: american.edu/accelerator.

3. Application: Students may apply to the IAP (Extended, Academic, or Integrated), the English Language and Training Academy (pre-session English), or for standard admission to AU (collectively the “Programs”). If you decide to apply to any of these Programs, be sure to use the application that is specific to the Program you select. Each application contains terms & conditions governing the specific Program and students acknowledge by submitting an application that they agree to the terms and conditions of the respective Program. Links to applicable applications and terms and conditions can be found here: american.edu/accelerator

4. Students who are admitted to the IAP at American University will receive a written offer letter with details on accepting the offer, paying the program deposit, and arriving on campus.

5. Tuition, fees, and accommodation payment: Following payment of the deposit, students must pay the remaining outstanding balance by the posted payment deadline. The IAP has the right to amend prices due to University actions, governmental actions, or other events beyond its control.

Fall 2016: August 5, 2016
Spring 2017: December 27, 2016
Summer 2017: May 3, 2017

6. Accommodation and Meal Plan: All IAP undergraduate students are required to commit to a reservation in the approved IAP housing for the full duration of their program and pay in full for these accommodations by the posted payment deadline. Later notification of non-enrollment or failure to move in to IAP housing may result in additional costs relating to contract cancellation. If a student is unable to live on campus, they must submit a Housing Waiver form with an explanation when they send their official acceptance of their IAP offer, and this requirement will only be waived under extenuating circumstances. If a cancellation is made after September 20, 2016, the student will not receive any rent refund (refunds will be pro-rated through September 19, 2016). Students are also required to purchase an IAP-designated dining plan for 2 or 3 terms as a condition of enrollment. The cost of the meal plan is non-refundable.

7. Health Insurance: All international students studying at AU are required to be covered by health insurance that meets the U.S. Government, District of Columbia, and AU requirements. The cost of health insurance is non-refundable. Not all services are covered, and the student is responsible for any outstanding balances for non-covered services.

a. At the time of their application, students are required to purchase coverage from an IAP-designated health plan as a condition of enrollment.

b. All students must have completed a Student Health Center Mandatory Immunization Form documenting proof of immunity to Measles (Rubella), Mumps and German Measles (Rubella) [MMR]; one Diphtheria/Tetanus booster within the past ten years; two doses of Varicella (chicken pox) vaccine; series of Hepatitis B vaccine; polio vaccine (if under the age of 18), and the Meningococcal vaccine. Mandatory Immunization Forms may be obtained here: <http://www.american.edu/loader.cfm?csModule=security/getfile&pageid=39852>. Students must have completed immunization documentation prior to class registration, and in order to live in IAP housing.

8. Airport Transfers: Requests for airport transfer should be made at least 2 weeks in advance by visiting www.american.edu/accelerator/ welcome. Airport transfers are available for the student’s initial arrival on campus for flights arriving at Reagan National Airport (DCA) and Dulles International Airport (IAD). The IAP cannot guarantee a reservation for a request made less than 2 weeks in advance; however, staff will make every attempt to accommodate late requests. In the event that a flight is cancelled or delayed, students must call the emergency telephone number published in the Next Steps Brochure to inform the IAP’s staff of the new arrival date and time. Please see section 21 for airport transfer cancellation policy.

9. Cancellation, Change, Curtailment, or Withdrawal: Students who cancel their enrollment prior to their Program’s move-in date may request a full refund of deposit, tuition, and fees, less non-refundable fees, pursuant to Section 21. After the start of the program, students may be eligible for the following partial program refunds:

INTAKE DATE	100% Refund (Less non-refundable fees)	50% Refund and final grade of “W”	25% Refund and final grade of “W”	No Program Refund and final grade of “W”
FALL 2016	September 9, 2016	September 16, 2016	September 23, 2016	September 24, 2016
SPRING 2017	January 27, 2017	February 3, 2017	February 10, 2017	February 11, 2017

Summer Programs:

Refunds for programs that start in the summer are calculated based on the percentage of the class the student attends prior to dropping the class. Students who attend more than 50% of any class may not drop the class without permission, will not receive a program refund, and will receive a final grade of “W.”

10. IAP students should adhere to the AU Academic Calendar for holidays, study break, etc. as AU classes will not be held on public holidays. (<https://www.american.edu/provost/registrar/schedule/upload/Prelim-Acad-Calendar-16-17-IncWCL-6-17-14.pdf>)

11. Absences: F1 students must comply with all applicable United States Department of Homeland Security regulations related to study on a student visa at AU, including attendance requirements. Failure to meet attendance requirements may lead to penalties, including loss of immigration status and deportation. Any student who is absent during the program or loses immigration status due to absences will not be eligible for a refund.

12. Academic Criteria: Students are accepted into the IAP with the strict understanding that progression through the IAP and successful completion of any Program will require satisfactory attendance, successful attainment of specified progression criteria, and adherence to the Academic Integrity Code (<http://www.american.edu/ocl/sccrs/upload/AU-Student-Conduct-Code.pdf>) and University Academic Regulations (<http://www.american.edu/provost/undergrad/undergrad-rules-and-regulations-toc.cfm>). Students who do not meet the criteria for successful completion will not be allowed to proceed. Students may be offered advice on suitable alternatives, including repeating courses or dismissal from American University. Any student who commits a violation of the policies, rules, or regulations may be subject to suspension or expulsion, which may result in revocation of immigration status. No refund will be given in cases of suspension or expulsion. These alternative options may involve additional time and costs, including tuition and accommodation fees which may require additional proof of finances for new immigration documents.

13. Academic Resources: ALL books and learning materials need to be purchased by IAP students upon arrival at AU.

14. Student Conduct: AU’s Student Conduct Code provides a framework of standard acceptable behavior for students. All IAP students are required to follow AU’s policies, rules, and regulations. Students are responsible for understanding and complying with these policies: (<http://www.american.edu/ocl/sccrs/upload/AU-Student-Conduct-Code.pdf>). Any student who commits a violation of the policies, rules, or regulations may be subject to suspension or expulsion, which may result in revocation of immigration status. No refund will be given in cases of suspension or expulsion.

15. Refunds: The IAP will only make refunds in U.S. dollars, minus bank transfer and processing fees, and will make such refunds in the manner in which the IAP was originally paid and to the account of the party or parties who made such payment(s). All refunds will be made to eligible parties within 45 days of written notice.

16. Grievance procedures, appeals, or complaints: Students must follow the policy and procedures for filing complaints, grievances, and appeals in a constructive and timely manner by visiting <http://www.american.edu/ocl/sccrs/index.cfm>.

17. Academic performance: AU’s Academic Rules and Regulations cover many aspects of academic life. These policies outline the required standards for academic performance and maintaining good academic standing. These policies can be found at <http://www.american.edu/provost/undergrad/undergrad-rules-and-regulations.cfm>. To continue in the IAP, students must also be in compliance with the IAP academic standards and progression requirements, which can be found at: american.edu/accelerator

18. Photography, Filming, and Sound Recording: The IAP at American University or its representatives, affiliates, successors, and related companies may arrange to photograph or shoot video footage of students for purposes of advertising, public relations, and/or promotion in any medium throughout the world, including on social media sites and on the internet. Any student who does not wish to participate should advise us in writing and state at the time of the photography or video shooting the wish not to participate. By accepting these terms and conditions you are indicating your consent to use these photographs or video footage without further consent or notifications unless you follow the above opt-out requirements.

19. Force majeure: AU and the IAP will not be liable in cases where AU and/or the IAP is unable to fulfill any services because of fire, natural disaster, national emergency, act of government, acts of war or terrorism, failure of suppliers or subcontractors, labor disputes, or any other reasons which are beyond AU’s or the IAP’s control.

20. F-1 student status in the US: In order to maintain proper F-1 status, students must comply with all applicable Federal regulations related to study in the United States, including pursuit of a full course of study. Students who fail to maintain satisfactory academic progress are in jeopardy of losing immigration status. Any violation of F1 student status will be reported in the SEVIS database of the Department of Homeland Security. Personally identifiable information on students, including course enrollment details and changes, and circumstances of any suspected breach by the student of any AU or IAP policies may be shared with the Department of Homeland Security, AU and accrediting agencies, designated authorities, students’ parents, and IAP staff and agents.

21. Cancellation: ‘Cancellation Period’ refers to the period up to the start date of the first course you are attending pursuant to section 9. Cancellations must be made in writing during the Cancellation Period, and, provided the student never attends any Program courses, 100% of the program fees will be refunded (less any non-recoupable charges). Please

see section 6 for accommodation cancellation policy and section 9 for cancellations after the Cancellation Period. Cancellations made prior to the course start date but after arrival in the US on an AU-issued Form I-20 will be governed under standard AU tuition, fees, and accommodation cancellation policy.

22. Liability: The liability of the IAP at American University, its operator and its group companies, their directors, officers, employees, affiliates, agents, and partners with respect to losses arising from negligence (except where such liability cannot be excluded as a matter of law), breach of contract or otherwise will be limited in all circumstances to the full amount paid to AU, the IAP, or the relevant group company by the relevant student for the particular Program. Such companies and persons will in no circumstances have any liability for indirect or consequential losses or damages. Any dispute, claim, or other matter arising will be subject to the jurisdiction and laws of the District of Columbia without regard to the choice of law rules. Any legal suit, action, or proceeding seeking to enforce any provision of, or based on any right or issues arising out of or related to these terms and conditions, shall be brought exclusively in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia. By signing these terms and conditions, the student consents to and accepts the jurisdictions of such courts for the purpose of any such action or proceeding and agrees to waive any objection to venue being laid therein.

23. In accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), the undersigned student hereby permits AU and the IAP at American University to disclose personally identifiable information, including educational records, financial information, and attendance records to the IAP, its operator, Shorelight-Capitol, LLC, its parent Shorelight Education, LLC, and their group companies (the “Operator”). The undersigned hereby also grants AU and the IAP Operator permission to provide the student’s parent(s), guardian(s), sponsor(s), sponsorship bodies, and recruiter(s) with information pertaining to their application, academic progress, results, and attendance. These permissions will remain in effect during the undersigned student’s tenure in the IAP and AU.

24. Students must be 16 years old by the move-in date in order to participate in a Program. Students who are over the age of 16 but under the age of 18 will be required to obtain the signature and consent of a parent or guardian on their application before they are able to participate in the program.





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