

UNIVERSITE SAINT-JOSEPH DE BEYROUTH (USJ)

FACT SHEET

Name of the institution	Université Saint-Joseph de Beyrouth (USJ) <i>Saint-Joseph University of Beirut</i> جامعة القديس يوسف في بيروت
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Website	https://www.usj.edu.lb/
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International relations' team	<p>Vice-Rector for international relations: Professor Carla Edde (vrrri@usj.edu.lb)</p> <p>Student/Staff in/out Mobility – Agreements – Erasmus+ & Communication:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">sri.mobilite@usj.edu.lb Tel: +961 1 421 000 ext. 1275 -1158</p> <p>Mrs. Melissa Greck (Mobility and communication) melissa.greck@usj.edu.lb</p> <p>Mrs. Nayla Hocheimy Hajj (Mobility and agreements) nayla.hocheimy@usj.edu.lb</p>
Language requirements	<p>Main language of instruction : French</p> <p>Requirements for non-French speaking students: minimum of DELF B2 or equivalent</p> <p>*If students choose to follow English or Arabic taught courses, they should provide a language certificate as well as write their motivation letter in the language in which they chose to follow the courses. A simple language certificate from their home institution stating their knowledge in the language can also be enough.</p>
Courses and fields of studies	<p>Students can find the courses and fields of studies that are available at USJ on the following link: https://www.usj.edu.lb/formations/</p> <p>Courses codes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1st semester courses codes end with L1, L3, L5 (BSc) and M1, M3 (MSc) ▪ 2nd semester courses codes end with L2, L4, L6 (BSc) and M2, M4 (MSc) <p>Requirements :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bachelor students can only take up to one or two Master courses if required. ▪ Unless specified in the inter-university agreement, incoming international students can take courses in different faculties but the majority should always be related to one main faculty. <p>Learning agreement:</p> <p>Onsite, during their mobility, students will have to fill a final learning agreement (specific to USJ), send it to their home university for approval/signatures and have it signed by USJ's academic director before giving it to the international office.</p>
Assessment and grading system	USJ adopts the ECTS - European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System

Nomination and application procedure and deadline	<p>Procedure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➔ Nomination should be done by the international office of the home institution ➔ Students should download, fill and sign the incoming mobility form ➔ Students should send the incoming mobility form signed by the home institution along with all the required documents in PDF scanned versions by email to sri.mobilite@usj.edu.lb <p>Deadlines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15 May for the fall semester and/or academic year • 15 October for the spring semester ➔ The acceptance letter is usually sent around a month after the deadline; once we get USJ's host faculty approval. <p>Official transcripts of records are sent around a month after the end of exams period after each semester in scanned pdf versions by email to the home universities' international relations office. Students will be in copy of the email. Upon request, original versions can be sent by post.</p>
Academic calendar	<p>Fall Semester: September – December Spring Semester: January – May More info on : https://www.usj.edu.lb/universite/calendrier.php</p> <p>PS: The Law Faculty (Faculté de droit et des sciences Politiques – FDSP) usually has its own dates. Students applying to it should get in touch with the international office for more info.</p>
Arabic language studies	<p>Students can take up to two sessions of Arabic per semester (Literature or Lebanese dialect or both at the CREA; depending on courses availability and schedules).</p> <p>Payment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The first Arabic language session is FREE of charge for all international students coming within a bilateral agreement as long as the session is included in the final learning agreement and has been approved by their home institution. - The second Arabic language session is free of charge for LANGUAGE students ONLY. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➔ All other students will have to pay 50% of the total amount, which is around 300 USD, and it should be part of the final learning agreement that should also be approved by the home institution. <p>*If the Arabic session is not part of the final learning agreement, then students will have to pay the total amount.</p>
Housing	<p>USJ offers a student housing Residency located on Damascus Street next to the Rectorate. Availability is very limited; therefore, it is necessary to book in advance by contacting residence.etudiants@usj.edu.lb More info: https://www.usj.edu.lb/services/foyers.htm</p> <p>Students can also check the following student dorms' list near the campuses or find shared apartments options on our Facebook Group: Mobilité internationale USJ.</p>
Visa and Residency permit	<p>Students can apply for a visa at the closest Lebanese Consulate. Some international passport holders – notably Europeans and Canadians – can get a tourist visa at the airport but procedures may vary from one country to another so always refer to the Lebanese Consulate at your country and the Lebanese General</p>

	<p>Security's website for accurate procedures.</p> <p>Requirements to get a tourist visa at the airport:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A passport valid for at least 12 months from the date of arrival to Lebanon • USJ admission certificate <p>Once in Lebanon, if the visa does not cover the entire duration of the stay, students are required to apply for a residency permit at the General Security.</p>
<p>Health insurance</p>	<p>In order to guarantee student's hospitalization or health coverage in case of need or emergency during their stay, international students coming to USJ in the framework of a one semester/year academic exchange, for research or internships, will have to take out their medical insurance through the insurance office of USJ.</p> <p>*Registration at the host faculty will only be possible upon presentation of a copy of the insurance contract.</p> <p>Indicative rates (until further notice) are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1 month: 90 USD ▪ 3 months: 130 USD ▪ 5 months (1 semester): 180 USD ▪ 10 months (2 semesters): 220 USD ▪ 12 months: 270 USD
<p>Social Media platforms</p>	<p>Students and partners can get in touch with us and follow up on our news through our social media platforms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facebook page: Relations Internationales – USJ • Facebook group for incoming and outgoing students: Mobilité internationale USJ • Instagram profile: sri_usj <p>Students can also refer to the Student Guide - Guide de l'étudiant international for info regarding USJ and their stay in Lebanon.</p>