

“I learned that I can do anything I set my mind to. For example, I overcame the intimidation I felt when traveling alone in a new country. I learned that the world is so much bigger than I thought. My scope broadened, and I see so much more now.”

- Shaza Khalil,
Returned from study abroad at Miami University Ohio in Spring 2017

IXO Calendar

October 8-9

Study Abroad Fair

October 10

IXO Library Workshop

October 25

Pre-departure
Orientation, Outgoing
Spring 2018 Students

IXO in Fall 2017

We have successfully sent several AUS students for study abroad and received many international exchange students to AUS this fall.

Twenty AUS students recently embarked on their study abroad experience in universities around the world including Maastricht University in the Netherlands; Simon Fraser University in Canada; University of Sheffield in the UK; and American University, University of Texas, Purdue University Fort Wayne and several other universities in the US.

IXO has received 35 incoming students from South Korea, Armenia, the Netherlands, Canada, Saudi Arabia and the US.

We wish the best to all students spending their semester abroad and hope our incoming students have a great time studying at AUS.

IXO News

ISEP Faculty

International Student Exchange Program (ISEP) is happy to announce the launch of a new faculty section on its website. This section enables faculty to expand their teaching possibilities worldwide through international exchange.

For more information, visit: <https://www.isepstudyabroad.org/guides-and-tips/membership/faculty>.



Fall 2017 Incoming Exchange Students

Student Opportunities

Study Abroad in Fall 2018

Applications are now open for AUS students who want to study abroad in the Fall 2018 semester.

The deadline for all applications is December 2, 2017. For more information, visit www.aus.edu/ixo or contact us at ixo@aus.edu.

Summer Programs in 2018

Earth University Costa Rica is offering an exciting Summer 2018 Program. A 2-for-1 Early Bird Special Offer allows students to register for a two-week course and receive a second two-week course free. Students will not be able to transfer credit, but this is an exciting opportunity to spend some time next summer in Costa Rica!

The last date to avail this offer is December 8, 2017. For further details, see <https://www.earth.ac.cr/en/study-at-earth/short-term-international-programs/for-students/summer-consortium>.

ISEP Academic Training Opportunity

Are you interested in boosting your CV with a great internship? Well, interning abroad is one way to go about it, and ISEP is happy to assist you with that through its Academic Training program. You have the option to participate in Academic Training either during your studies, or stay in the United States after your study abroad.

Contact IXO for more information.

Alumni Updates

Good Luck Solmaz!

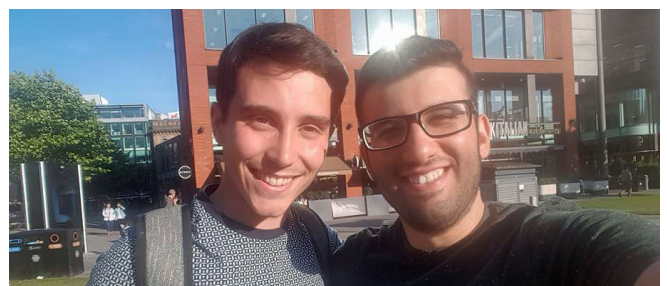
Solmaz Karimi was a biology major who studied abroad at University of Vermont (UVM) and upon her return worked as an IXO Peer Advisor until graduation. While at UVM, she developed networks that resulted in a full scholarship to return to complete a master's degree in microbiology. She has now completed her master's, and is pursuing her Doctor of Pharmacy at University of Florida. We are proud of her and wish her the very best for her future.



Solmaz in Florida

Friends Abroad Reconnect

Haider Almudhari from Lulea University of Technology in Sweden and Izaac from University of Central Lancashire in UK Cole, both of whom studied abroad at AUS in Fall 2015, met up recently in Manchester, UK. We are glad to know that our students make such lifetime bonds while studying abroad here.



Izaac and Haider in Manchester

IXO Events

IXO Orientation Trips

After a successful Fall 2017 orientation, the IXO team and incoming students have been exploring the great cities of Sharjah and Dubai with short trips and visits to nearby attractions. Students visited museums, parks, souks, malls and beaches in August before classes started.



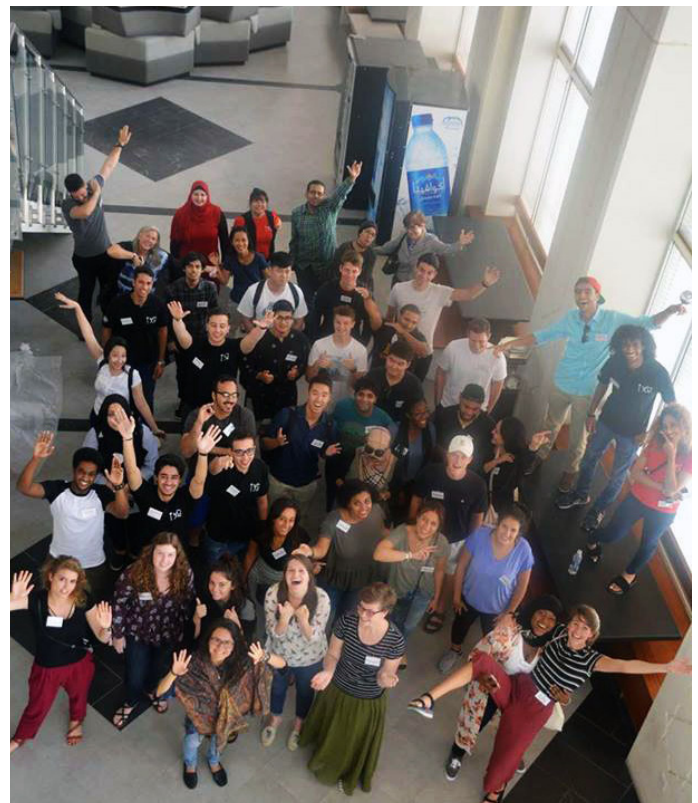
Exchange Students in Dubai



Exchange Students at Al Qasba, Sharjah



IXO Team and Exchange Students at Kite Beach



IXO Team, Incoming Students with Provost

IXO Orientation

IXO launched its orientation for Fall 2017 incoming students on Friday, August 18 during the AUS Welcome Reception and continued on Saturday in the Student Center. Thirty-five incoming students have come from all over the world to spend a semester here at AUS. The new Provost, Dr. Susan Karamanian, attended some of our Saturday orientation to welcome the students.

Outbound Students

Study Abroad in Fall 2017

Three AUS students are attending University of Texas Austin in Fall 2017. We checked in with them recently to see how they were faring given recent news about a hurricane and flooding in Texas. They reported back saying, "The three of us are completely fine and doing great. No worries, the hurricane did not hit Austin as bad as Houston and Dallas. It is just continuous rain." We think it is safe to say that they are having quite an adventure!

We had a similar situation last year when several students arrived to study abroad at Louisiana State University just as Baton Rouge was flooding from bad storms! Thankfully, we are happy to report they were also fine. In both cases, the host universities took great care of them.

Peer Advisors

Graduated Peer Advisors

Sadly, we had to say farewell to our Peer Advisors who graduated over the summer, Mohammed and Mutaman. We thank them for all their hard work with us and wish them all the best in their future endeavors.



Farewell Lunch

Peer Advisors in Fall 2017

IXO welcomes new team members for Fall 2017.

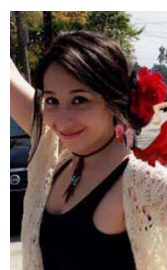
Shaza Khalil is majoring in interior design. She studied abroad at Miami University Ohio via a bilateral partner program. Shaza is an Egyptian national born and raised in Oman. She serves both as a Publicity Specialist and Peer Advisor.

Leontia D'Silva is majoring in management information systems. She studied abroad at Montana State University via ISEP Exchange. Leontia is an Indian national, but was born and raised in Dubai, UAE. She will serve as a Peer Advisor.

Ibrahim Owais (Himo) is majoring in civil engineering. He planned to study abroad at University of Regina in Canada during Fall 2017, but has postponed to Spring 2018. Himo is a Sudanese national born and raised in the UAE. He will serve as a Peer Advisor.

Tasnim Tinawi is majoring in architecture. She came very close to studying abroad at Miami University Ohio last year. She grew up in Dubai, and is fluent in both English and Arabic. Her main role is a Publicity Specialist.

We look forward to working with them this semester.



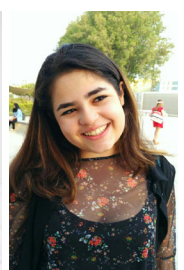
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