What do I need to know about the program before I apply?

- You must meet all of the general university admission requirements, which include the SAT I.
- If you have earned the Baccalaureate II (or equivalent) you can be admitted as a sophomore.
- If you are admitted to LAU as a freshman you can select nursing as a major after completing the freshman requirements.
- If you begin your studies in Fall semester you can complete the 103-credit program of study in three years, including summer terms.
- You can enroll for the first semester at either campus — Beirut or Byblos. Starting with the spring semester of the sophomore year nursing students enroll on the Byblos campus.

How can I get more information?

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The Alice Ramez Chagoury School of Nursing admits undergraduate students seeking a professional career and an education that will prepare them to meet the persistent need for high-quality, safe and effective health care. The school offers students from around the world a well-rounded, intellectually challenging curriculum that emphasizes the highest standards of professional nursing, provision of patient-centered care, and ethical practice.

Why choose a career as a professional nurse?

- Nursing is an art and a science. Nurses apply their knowledge of the health sciences, along with their compassion and well-developed technical skills, to help patients recover from illness and to help others stay healthy.
- Nurses coordinate patient care with other professionals.
- Professional nurses have the privilege of caring for people of all ages, from birth to the end of life.
  - Nurses work in a variety of health settings. In hospitals they can work in any type of unit, including medical-surgical wards, intensive care units, emergency room, and specialty areas such as operating room, oncology and dialysis.
  - In community settings they focus on preventing illness and promoting health. These settings include schools, homes, public health centers, dispensaries, and NGOs.
  - Nurses also can work in the health care industry, such as for pharmaceutical companies, governmental agencies, and medical equipment companies.

What are the career opportunities for nurses?

- There is a shortage of professional registered nurses (RN) in Lebanon and worldwide.
- Graduates of LAU’s Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S.N.) program will take the National Examination offered by the Lebanese Ministry of Higher Education (colloquium) to be licensed as an RN. They can also apply to take RN licensure examinations in other countries.
  - Graduates with a B.S.N. can seek employment as registered nurses in any clinical setting. Many nurses who earn a B.S.N. move into management and leadership positions in health care.
  - B.S.N. graduates can attend graduate school to earn master’s and doctorate degrees in nursing, public health, health administration and other related fields.
  - Nurses with graduate degrees can become faculty members at nursing schools.

Why study at LAU?

- Our innovative curriculum is based on guidelines established by the American Association of Colleges of Nursing and incorporates LAU’s strong liberal arts core.
- The B.S.N. program at LAU is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (http://www.aacn.nche.edu/ccne-accreditation).
- Accreditation ensures that the courses and learning experiences you will have in the nursing program meet American nursing education standards.
- You will have learning experiences with students in LAU’s pharmacy, medicine, nutrition and social work programs. Through these learning experiences you will gain the confidence and skills to work as full members of an interdisciplinary health care team.
- Your clinical experience will take place at LAU Medical Center- Rizk Hospital (LAUMC-RH), as well as other hospitals and community settings in Beirut, Byblos, and other areas of Lebanon.
- The Dean and all nursing faculty have master’s or doctorate degrees in nursing, many from American universities.
- You can enjoy the wide array of extracurricular activities and services available to all LAU students.
- You are eligible for many types of financial assistance, including nursing program grants, LAU scholarships, LAU grants, student work aid, and scholarships supported by hospitals.