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| **Insert University Name** |
| General website of the university | www.balamand.edu.lb |
| Website for Hermes |  |
| Erasmus Mundus Coordinator contact person | Dr Antoine Abche  |
| Contact person email | antoine.abche@balamand.edu.lb |
| Academic Calendar | 2015-2016 |
| University address | Deir El balamand, Kourah, North of Lebanon, Lebanon |

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| **Academic calendar** |
| Academic year calendar website | http://www.balamand.edu.lb/Offices/AdministrativeOffices/AdmissionsandRegistration/AcademicCalendar/ |
|  | **Start date** | **End date** | **Final exam duration** |
| First semester 2015/2016 |  End of September \* 2015 | Early of February 2016 \* | End of January – beginning of February 2016 \* |
| Second semester 2015/ 2016 |  February 2016 \* | End of June 2016 \* | End Of June 2016 \* |
| Summer semester 2015/ 2016 | Early July 2016\* | End of August 2016\* | End of August 2016 \* |
| Admission dead line for degree students | Académie des Beaux Arts (ALBA) March 21 2015For all other Majors : May 31, 2015 |
| Admission dead line for exchange students | Académie des Beaux Arts (ALBA) March 21, 2015For all other Majors : May 31, 2015 |
| Arrival date to host university | September 2015 |

* **The academic calendar will be posted soon.**

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| **Degree Information** |
|  | Undergraduate | Master | PhD |
| Number of credits required for completing the degree  | Depends on Faculty/programsFOE- 107 creditsFASS – 90-92 creditsFOS – 91 to 96FHS – 92 to -103FBM: 93 creditsFLIS: 90 creditsTheology: 110 creditsALBA-Beirut: 180 ECTSALBA-main campus: 115 CrTHM: 98 creditsDUT: 100-105 cr  | Depends on the faculty/programsFOE – 43 creditsFASS – 30 creditsFOS - 30 to 39FHS – 30 to 34FBM 39 creditsFLIS: 33 creditsTheology:33 CrALBA-Beirut: 60 Cr ALBA–main campus 56-60 cr  |  |
| Number of years required for completing the degree | Theology : 4Medicine (MD): 4All other Majors: 3 | 2 | 3 |
| Credit system used for courses(ECTS, credit hour system)Note: 1.5-2 ECTS is equivalent to one credit hour system | ALBA Beirut : ECTSAll other majors: Credit Hour system |

**1 Abbreviations**

FOE : Faculty of Engineering

FOS: Faculty of Sciences

FASS: Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences

FHS: Faculty of Health Sciences

FBM: Faculty of Business & Management

FLIS: Faculty of Library & Information Studies

DUT: Issam Fares University Institute of Technology

THM: Tourism and Hotel management

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| **Language of instruction and requirements** |
|  | Language of instruction | Required certificate and score |
| Undergraduate exchange | ALBA Beirut 3: FrenchALBA main Campus 3: EnglishOther majors: English (most) or French | SAT 2Language proficiency Exam (minimum4)TOEFL (computer Based): 197 TOEFL (Paper and Pencil) : 527 TOEFL (iBT): 71SAT (English writing section): 380 IELTS : 5.5  |
| Master exchange | ALBA Beirut (French)ALBA main Campus: EnglishOther majors; English | Language proficiency Exam (minimum) |
| Master degree | ALBA Beirut: FrenchALBA main Campus: EnglishOther majors: English | GMAT for MBA (business)Language proficiency Exam |
| PhD degree | English/French |  |

**2 Exempted from SAT are:**

● Transfer Students from other universities (who qualify for junior year admission)

● Applicants to major in the Faculty of Arts & Social sciences or ALBA .

● Applicants to majors taught in French

**3 ALBA**

For all majors in Sin-El Fil Campus (French) and Architectural majors at the main campus (English), students have to do a "drawing and space Perception exams (entrance exam) and an interview besides the proficiency Language exam (English or French). The date of the above exam is Saturday March 29, 2014.

**4. Minimum:**

 Students will not do an extensive course in English. They are admitted to the Faculty of interest but must complete the English language Courses (ENGL101/ENGL102). The higher their grades, the higher is the possibility to avoid taking one or both of these courses.

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| **Housing and assistance** |
| University housing  |  Yes No |
| University Housing website | www.balamand.edu.lb/Offices/AdministrativeOffices/StudentAffairs/InternationalStudents |
| Off campus housing website | http://www.balamand.edu.lb/Offices/AdministrativeOffices/StudentAffairs/InternationalStudents |
| Average Living expenses  |  1100-1200 dollars/month (include housing) (as a student) |
| Airport pickup | 1 – Take a taxi at the airport 2 – Dispatch a taxi from an office (near by the University)  |
| Welcome/orientation week | End of September (the week before the beginning of the semester )  |
| Language courses offered |  |
| International office website | OSA (Office of student Affaires)http://www.balamand.edu.lb/Offices/AdministrativeOffices/StudentAffairs |