

Al Akhawayn University Morocco

Fact Sheet



Website

Al Akhawayn University homepage: www.aui.ma
Webpage for International Exchange students:
<http://www.aui.ma/international/home.html>

Location

Ifrane, Morocco

Al Akhawayn University is located in the resort town of Ifrane, nestled in the Middle Atlas Mountains. Set in the heart of a region known for its beautiful forests, lakes, and waterfalls, Ifrane provides an excellent backdrop for both intellectual and physical pursuits. The town has several hotels, restaurants and cafes with offerings from tajines to pizza. The town has small public clinic, pharmacies, shops, a bank, and a post office. Ifrane is located approximately 60 kilometers from the historical cities of Fez and Meknes, is about two and a half hours from Rabat and three and a half hours from Casablanca.

See: <http://www.morocco.com/destinations/ifrane/>



Accommodation costs

Students live in university housing, also known as 'residence halls'. Most students are in double bedrooms grouped around shared facilities. Students are required to purchase an electronic cash card for their meal plan. The cost of room and board ranges from approximately \$1500 to \$3000 per semester (4 months). There are laundry facilities, a post office, ATM machine, sport facilities, a campus store, a bookstore and dining facilities located on campus near the student housing. **For more information see:**

<http://www.aui.ma/DSA/dsa-index.htm>

Costs

Costs vary considerably according to individual requirements and tastes. Al Akhawayn University suggests a recommended minimum of \$ 250 per month to cover the cost of food, books, clothing and personal expenses.

Currency

The Moroccan currency is the Dirham (DH).

Visas

Visas for many nationalities are obtainable on arrival in Morocco. Entry visas are normally granted for up to three

months. **For more information see:**

<http://www.aui.ma/international/1.Incoming/Information/Visas.html>

Disciplines

Al Akhawayn is appropriate for most majors. Strong areas are:

- Business
- International Studies
- Communication
- Engineering

Structure of University

Academic activities are grouped in schools. Within each school, there are departments responsible for particular fields. There are three schools at Al Akhawayn University: School of Business Administration, School of Science & Engineering, and School of Humanities & Social Sciences. They offer undergraduate and postgraduate courses.

Average semester work-load

Al Akhawayn students study 12-20 credit hours per semester, which is generally four to six classes.

Subjects

Classes are called 'courses'. The letters in the course code indicate the subject area and the first number that follows indicates the level of the course. For example **HIS 1301** would typically be taken in the first year; it is an introductory course. It is possible to take classes at different levels. Check the compatibility of courses at your home institution with the courses offered at Al Akhawayn by checking:

<http://www.aui.ma/DSA/registrar/dsa-registrar-cseofferings-fall08.htm>

General Semester dates

Fall Semester:

Late-August –Mid-December

Spring Semester:

Mid January- Mid May

(One week for spring break- usually second week of March)

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