

American University of Beirut
Office of the President



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Dear AUB Community,

I'm deeply saddened to share with you the news of the death of student Melanie Freiha, who died yesterday after an accident in Mzaar. Melanie was a first year civil engineering student who made a tremendous impression on her peers and the FEA faculty. The shock of the tragedy has upset us all; it is difficult to accept when young, vibrant people like Melanie are taken from us far too soon.

I know you join me in extending deepest condolences to Melanie's family, as they are part of our family too. The students of FEA will remember Melanie with a one-hour memorial tomorrow (Tuesday) at noon in front of the Bechtel Building. All are invited to join.

Peter Dorman
President