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OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

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Dear AUB Faculty Members,

We hope you are keeping safe and well, especially after the Israeli rocket attack in Haret Hreik two days ago.

We have received some messages from students expressing concern about their safety and the security situation in Beirut in the aftermath of this attack. These come as the current [summer term is nearing its end](#), and final exams are due to start on Monday, August 5, 2024 (for all faculties/schools except FAFS and FM).

AUB is still operating normally with in-person classes, and there are no plans to transition to online teaching, learning, or assessment at this time. Nevertheless, we recognize that some students, who are directly impacted by current events, may require special accommodation. We urge you to be understanding and consider granting some students accommodations, on a case-by-case basis, in line with the following constraints:

- Final exams are required to be in-person, as per the requirements of the Ministry of Education and Higher Education.
- Final grades are required to be submitted following the standard timeline in the [academic calendar](#), especially for graduating students, who risk having to postpone their graduation if their final grades are not submitted on time.
- Students who decide to leave the country for safety concerns and miss a final exam will be required to submit a petition, including rationale and evidence, for a makeup exam. They will be given an incomplete grade as per instructions in the catalogue, and must sit for an in-person makeup exam at a later date such that the course grade can be submitted by September 25, 2024.

We are also committed to helping students, dealing with anxiety, take care of themselves and be successful in their academic endeavors. If you think any of your students is

experiencing anxiety that is affecting their wellbeing or academic performance, please recommend that they reach out to the [Counseling Center](#).

We continue to carefully monitor the situation as it unfolds, relying on publicly available information from various sources, and we will communicate promptly should there be any necessity to change course. The safety and wellbeing of our students, faculty, and staff remain our top priority and we encourage you to check the [Emergency Preparedness](#) page on the main AUB website for relevant updates.

Kind regards,

Office of the Registrar
