



AUIB
الجامعة الأمريكية في بغداد

AUIB MODEL SCHOOLS

Opening September 2023

AUIB Model Schools, KG and Primary, will open in September 2023. They will be based at The American University of Iraq - Baghdad (AUIB) in state-of-the-art buildings providing education for the children of Baghdad and further afield. The schools will deliver a modern English language medium curriculum, based on the American Common Core Standards Curriculum and an Arabic curriculum (Arabic and Islamic Education) based on the Iraqi Curriculum Framework. AUIB Model Schools will be inclusive and reach out to all students irrespective of their creed colour or nationality to ensure that their needs are met through our modern curriculum.

The schools will be affiliated to the AUIB College of Education. This partnership will ensure that modern pedagogical approaches to teaching, learning and research will be integrated throughout all aspects of school life.



Education plays the most important role in helping our young people face life's challenges by developing all their skills to prepare them for their future as global citizens.

AUIB Model Schools' curriculum will provide enquiry-based learning experiences based on modern teaching methodologies and using up to date resources. Students will have access to information and communications technology (ICT) and internationally benchmarked assessment. They will be encouraged to be critical thinkers, to collaborate and to innovate.



AUIB Model School-Member of International Association of Laboratory Schools

AUIB Model Schools are affiliated to the International Association of Model Schools (IALS) As part of our membership of IALS we explore educational issues and ideas which promote innovation and communication throughout the teaching and learning communities and professional organisations.

IALS promotes. 'Teacher training, curriculum development, research, professional development, and educational experimentation for the purpose of supporting members schools

and as a voice speaking for the improvement of learning for all children'.

AUIB Model Schools are committed to delivering a quality curriculum for children in the classroom while supporting AUIB College of Education students through well-structured educational programmes which are mutually beneficial and reflect the diverse needs of the children and teaching professional.

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'Education is what remains after one has forgotten what one has learned in school'

Albert Einstein

John Dewey

John Dewey was the founder of the first Laboratory school at the University of Chicago in 1896. He was an American philosopher and educator who believed that humans learn through a "hands-on" approach and that students must interact with their environment in order to adapt and learn.

Dewey believed that the same idea was true for teachers and that teachers and students must learn together. AUIB Model schools

embrace and adapt Dewey's philosophy in the context of the new technological age of the 21st century.

Dewey's basic theories remain valid today. At AUIB Model Schools, modern methodologies and pedagogical approaches to educating young people will recognise the changes in the world of today and will complement the basic Dewey principle of enquiry-based learning.

AUIB MODEL SCHOOLS
will be accredited by



which is affiliated to the
National Council for Private Schools Accreditation (NCPA)
a body which supports accreditation in improving the quality of private school education through the pro-cess of accreditation



Auib Model Schools' Mission

AUIB Model Schools' mission is to provide students with the highest standards of education, that reflects the Dewey tradition of a student-centred, "hands-on" approach to learning in a safe and creative environment. They will create experiences for students based on their interests and provide them with opportunities to learn by doing.

The schools will promote democratic education by giving students choices in determining what, how, when and where they learn. Teachers will design

learning to each student's strengths, needs and interests to ensure their mastery of high academic standards and social achievement. AUIB Model Schools will provide opportunities for students to develop as socially responsible global citizens and to be inclusive and welcoming to every student in the community they serve. The schools will cater for the physical, academic, social, emotional and spiritual needs of all students in a supportive and caring environment.



AUIB MODEL SCHOOLS will be situated on the campus of AUIB, The American University of Iraq-Baghdad. This computer-generated picture shows the KG and Primary Model Schools on the AUIB Campus.

VISION

AUIB Model Schools vision is to provide a caring learning environment where each student is welcomed, respected and cherished irrespective of their background, nationality or faith.

Working in partnership with parents and the wider community, AUIB Model Schools will promote the holistic development of all students to prepare them for global citizenship and life-long learning.



REGISTRATION AND ENROLMENT

Keep a look out for invitations to register your child at

AUIB MODEL SCHOOLS

in the fall of 2022 so that they can become part of this new exciting venture for Baghdad. Opening in September 2023.

The KG school will have initial capacity for 120 students and the primary school will enrol 360 students in grades 1 to 6

Registration forms will be available on our website in the near future.

Message From Auib President, Dr Michael W. Mulnix

As the founding President of AUIB, it will be my great honor and pleasure to welcome you and your children to the AUIB Model Schools on our campus. With the first of our two schools set to open in 2023, we are excited to have the first class of Kindergarten and Primary students on our campus, to be followed soon thereafter by middle and secondary school students.

What sets the AUIB model schools apart from all other English-language schools in Iraq is that the school will be closely affiliated with our College of Education. The curriculum of our model schools for all students will be developed in close collaboration with our faculty. Your children will benefit from the attention and involvement of our student teachers as they prepare for careers as schoolteachers in Iraq and the region. Indeed, it is this “hands on” learning and personal attention from trained and caring professionals that will ensure your child has the best possible education.

With a strong curriculum that is solidly grounded in American and Iraqi values and traditions, with caring and highly qualified teachers, the AUIB Model Schools will give your child a world-class education that is unmatched in Iraq. Come see for yourself!



*DR MICHAEL W.
MULNIX*

English Medium Education

Most teachers at AUIB Model Schools will be fluent English speakers and the language of instruction for all curriculum subjects, with the exception of Arabic and Islamic Education, will be English.

This, we believe, will help students enrich their critical thinking skills, develop their oral and written communication's skills and promote a love for life-long learning. Being fluent in English will prepare them for third level education at AUIB and other English medium universities throughout the world.

Online Survey



Check out our online survey on AUIB website for families who would like to register and enrol in AUIB Model Schools in September 2023. Registration will begin in December 2022, January 2023. AUIB Models Schools' website is under construction presently.

Accreditation

AUIB MODEL SCHOOLS will be accredited by Accreditation International (Ai) which assures the educational quality of schools internationally and plans for continuous school improvement to increase student learning. A group of highly accomplished leaders in education accreditation will support AUIB Model Schools to reach the highest educational standards for all students. The Modern approach to accreditation, emphasises a collegiate, peer review and self-study process, while integrating research-based, twenty first century skills, international benchmarks, and the American Common Core Standards.



'I hear and I forget, I see and I remember. I do and I understand'

Confucius



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American University Of Iraq-Baghdad

AUIB Model Schools will be situated in the unique setting of the campus of The American University of Iraq in Baghdad. Students will benefit from the expertise of the College of Education faculty.

AUIB

AUIB provides liberal arts foundation courses which include a wide variety of subjects, not just the specialised field of study. Students spend their early years studying various courses in the liberal arts such as psychology, sociology, history, English literature, archaeology and biology and only begin to specialise in a specific discipline having successfully completed a major part of the programme of Core Liberal Arts.

This helps develop students' critical thinking skills and encourage them to become well educated in a wide variety of subjects thus becoming life-long learners. An AUIB university education focuses on depth and breadth of coursework outside of a specific discipline. AUIB has a diverse faculty with terminal degrees (usually PhDs) from North American universities and from around the world. This diversity of faculty provides students with a global perspective on all topics. Faculty at AUIB are committed to help students develop to their fullest potential intellectually, socially, psychologically and as global citizens. An English language curriculum is at the heart of a AUIB university and all courses are taught in English.

AUIB Model Schools' commitment to enquiry based, innovative and hands on learning is a perfect fit for high school graduates to transfer seamlessly to the AUIB University.



AUIB Model Schools and Sustainability

AUIB Model Schools are committed to sustainability and the impact of all activities on the environment. The schools will be eco-friendly as part of the curriculum the students will be encouraged to be environmental consciousness. The new buildings are designed to be eco-friendly in keeping with the overall vision of Model Schools where students will play an active role in promoting a culture of reducing, reusing and recycling. The building design includes the harnessing and use of solar power and the collection and safe recycling of rainwater.

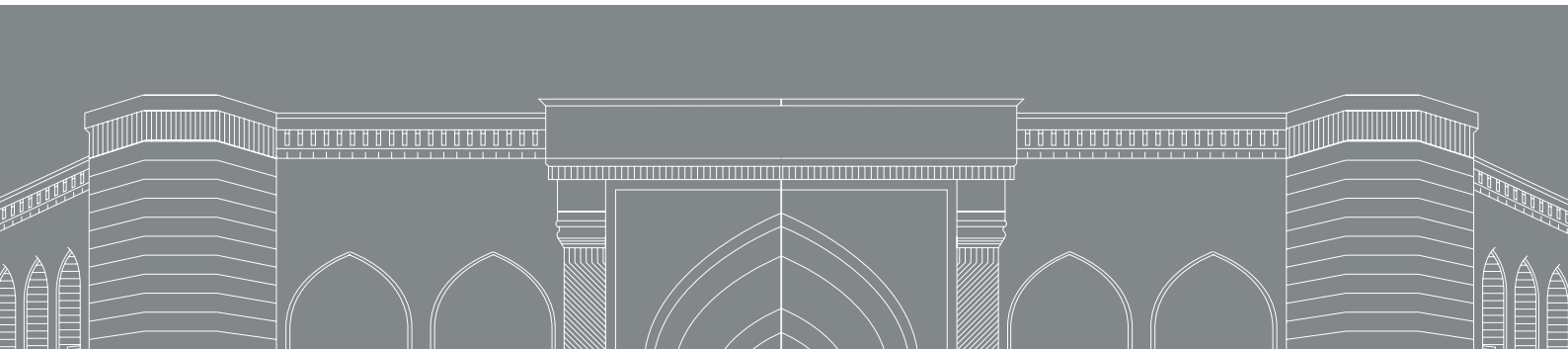
The computer-generated picture shows the attractive solar power panels and water collection towers as part of the AUIB Model Schools' sustainability programme.

American Common Core Standards, the benchmark

Most modern curricula frameworks aim to ensure that students reach a consistent standard as they progress from K12-. The Common Core Standards(CCS) provide a benchmark consistency for students at school, nationally and internationally. Using accepted benchmark standards will allow Iraqi students to progress in line with their counterparts throughout the world and give them the confidence and ability to perform well in international tests. These standards provide challenge and support for students. Business leaders are very conscious of the key role education plays in growing economies. The CCS not only equip students with the capabilities they need for employment, but also the life skills necessary for them to be innovative global citizens in a fast-changing world.

Swimming Pool

AUIB Model Primary School will be equipped with an up-to-date modern swimming pool where students will learn to swim and have opportunities to take part in a range of aqua sports. The local community will also have access to this facility.

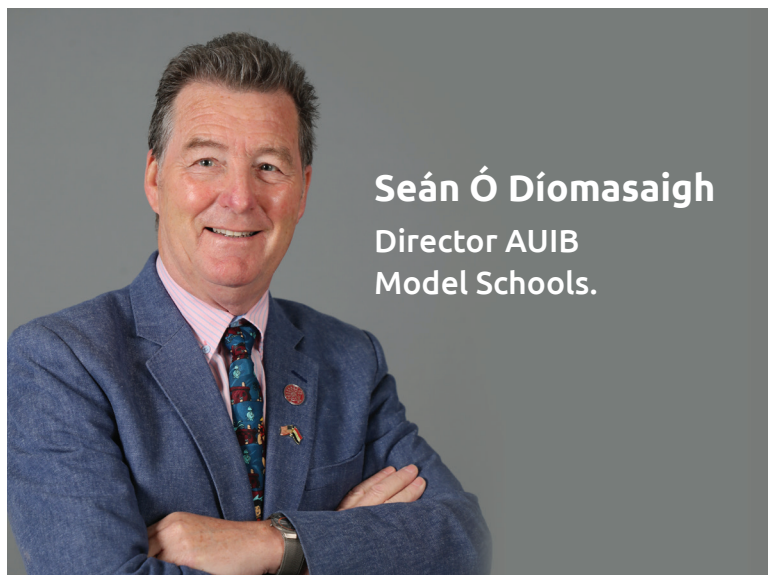




"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world"

Nelson Mandela





Seán Ó Díomasaigh

Director AUIB
Model Schools.

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR, AUIB MODEL SCHOOLS

I have been given the unique privilege and opportunity, by the Founders of AUIB, to plan and oversee the preparations for the opening of AUIB Model Schools on the beautiful campus of the American University of Iraq in Baghdad. The Model schools will reflect the philosophy of the original John Dewey Laboratory School founded in 1896 at the University of Chicago in the USA. They will provide a modern education based on the Dewey principle that children learn and discover through enquiry and a hands on approach to learning.

Curricula have evolved over the years and here at AUIB Model Schools the latest pedagogical approaches to teaching and learning will be facilitated by experienced local and international teachers who embrace the Dewey philosophy of education.

The schools will have strong links with the College of Education at AUIB, will benefit from its faculty's

research and will support students as they prepare to embark on their careers as future teachers. Iraq is the cradle of education and here at AUIB we are committed to providing first-class education in state-of-the-art schools, so generously provided by the Founders who believe that Iraq can 'only be rebuilt by its own sons and daughters, because they carry the hopes and dreams of not only themselves, but also of those before them' and that it is time 'to create a new generation of Iraqis' who will 'lead a united nation into the future of civilisation' (The Founders, AUIB)

Knowledge and education are the key pillars of democracy. AUIB Model schools commits to helping students develop their critical thinking, innovative and entrepreneurial skills which will prepare them for life and their leadership roles as global citizens of the future.

Parents as Partners at AUIB Model Schools

Parents are the primary educators of their children. Teachers are privileged to act in loco parentis when children are at school. AUIB Model Schools will encourage strong partnerships with parents throughout their children's time at AUIB Model Schools.

Research shows that when parents are involved in their children's education, children are more engaged with their school work, stay in school longer, and achieve better learning outcomes. This also translates into longer-term economic and social benefits.

Regular quality communications with parents will be a feature of AUIB Model Schools' approach to keeping parents informed about their children's progress.

'the most overwhelming key to a child's success is the positive involvement of parents'

Jane D Hull

