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American University of Sharjah | Institutional Profile

- Established in 1997
- Not-for-Profit / Students receive financial aid
- Approximately 5,500 students from 85 countries
- Twenty-six undergraduate programs / Thirteen graduate programs
- Fifty-four minors (e.g. Renewable Energy, Islamic Finance, Music, Film, etc.)
- Ranked among world's top 500 universities (Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) Rakings)

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American University of Sharjah | Accreditation

- Licensed by the United Arab Emirates Commission for Academic Accreditation (CAA)
- All degree programs accredited by the United Arab Emirates CAA
- Accredited by the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools
- College of Engineering degrees accredited by ABET, Inc.
- Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (BSBA) as well as the Master of Business Administration (MBA) and Executive Master of Business Administration (EMBA) degrees offered by the School of Business and Management are accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB)
- Bachelor of Architecture accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB)

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American University of Sharjah | Benefits of Quality Assurance

- Consistent frameworks for guiding assessment efforts
- Assurance of minimum measures of quality
- Recognition by employers and other institutions
- Access to professional licensure opportunities
- Peer review

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American University of Sharjah | Challenges of Quality Assurance

- Understanding of local contexts (accreditation bodies / individual reviewers)
- Variance between standards / criteria and local conditions
- Incompatibility between standards / criteria of quality assurance authorities
- Minimums as a measure
- Flexibility / adaptability to respond to current global / local challenges and opportunities