



# HAIGAZIAN UNIVERSITY

A BEACON OF HOPE



# LIGHTING THE WAY FORWARD



# A PROUDPAST



**H**aigazian University was founded in Lebanon in 1955 for the preparation of teachers and leaders. Following the American liberal arts educational model, Haigazian emphasizes leadership, critical thinking and academic excellence. Firmly rooted in its Armenian Protestant heritage, it is also well integrated into Lebanese multicultural life. Building bridges among nations and faiths is a key part of its ethos.

The visionary founders, Stephen Philibosian and Steven and Mary Mehagian, worked together with the leadership of the Union of the Armenian Evangelical Churches in the Near East and the Armenian Missionary Association of America to establish a beacon of hope for higher education for the people of Lebanon and the region. The University was named in honor of Dr. Armenag Haigazian, a prominent educator and pastor.

The first ten rooms of Haigazian College in 1955, the Webb House.

**H**aigazian University maintains the initial vision of its founders. Despite challenging times in the Middle East, Haigazian thrives. It continues to grow in its curriculum, its administrative setup and, most of all, in the possibilities it creates for the new generation. Haigazian offers bright horizons for the new wave of university graduates.



Haigazian has clearly evolved over a half a century to be an important academic institution on the map of the Middle East, and of course on the Armenian map of the world. Its commitment to higher education and intellectual excellence in the humanities, the social sciences and the sciences also continues a great ancient Armenian and cultural tradition. Haigazian has become a place of nexus for scholars and writers, students and teachers of all cultures and religions – a truly multicultural institution in a multicultural country.”

Peter Balakian, Ph.D.  
American-born Armenian scholar and author



PERSONAL BOUTIQUE EXPERIENCE QUALITY EDUCATION  
DIVERSITY SECURITY FAMILY FEELING RESPECT TOWARDS WOMEN

# BEACON OF HOPE

FOR ALL ETHNICITIES, RELIGIONS AND BACKGROUNDS

Inspired and challenged by dynamic instructors and administrators,  
students are viewed as family members and hope for our future.

Today Lebanon is at a pivotal juncture. There is an air of renaissance and a  
buzz of activity and growth. Technology, banking and open trade within the  
region have generated momentum. New buildings are being built alongside the  
grand architecture of the past.



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**H**aigazian University is at the epicenter of that excitement. Deep in the bustling Kantari district of Beirut, its campus is at the crossroads of an intellectual community, collaborating in Lebanon’s growth with peer institutions on one side, and the Government Center and the Parliament on the other. Officials in both sectors, along with parents, graduates and community leaders, regard it as a superior institution with high standards and impeccable credentials. Not only does it graduate leaders, but Haigazian University is a living testament to its mission as an open-minded, non-sectarian leader in designing critical opinion and thought. With a global base of graduates, Haigazian is at the right place, at the right time, with the right manner to have a forceful impact on our society.

**B**eginning from its Phoenician roots, Lebanon has been a progressive nation built on education and commerce.

The life at Haigazian University reflects and nurtures the rich, cosmopolitan and pluralistic society of Lebanon, creating an environment of trust, respect and nondiscrimination. It serves a wide variety of students from diverse backgrounds, and prepares them to serve in their respective communities and society at large.

The ethnic and geographic identity of the University reinforces the preservation and promotion of its local Lebanese, Armenian and Middle Eastern heritage within the global context. As a liberal arts institution, Haigazian University operates under the American model of higher learning, using English as its language of instruction.

The University is a member of the Association of American International Colleges and Universities and the League of Lebanese Universities.



# SHEDDING LIGHT



In 2016, the Haigazian University Board of Trustees adopted an enterprising vision and strategic plan for the next five years, focused on growth and sustainability. Haigazian University will:

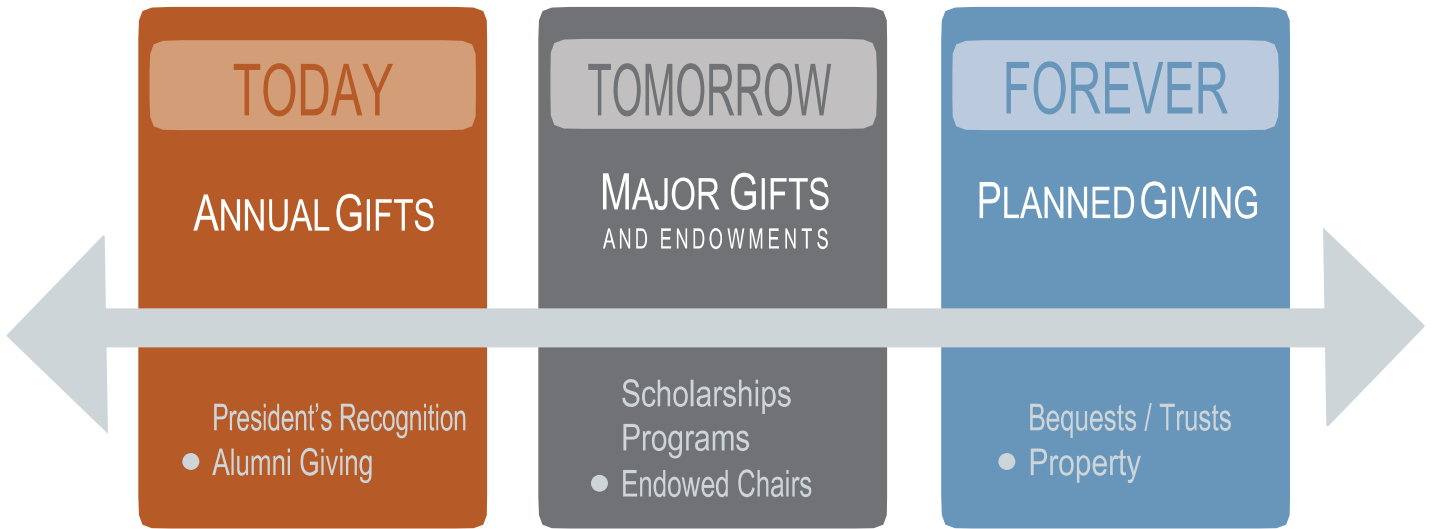
- Attract and engage talented students irrespective of socio-economic standing, in order to develop well-rounded thinkers who are equipped with the fundamentals to shape the world of tomorrow.
- Advance university programs to meet American higher education standards of accreditation, as well as fostering an academic culture of quality performance and inspired work within its staff and faculty.
- Strengthen its financial capability in order to diversify its scholarship offerings, enhance its academic programs and create a sustainable institutional support system.
- Maintain its reputation as one of the most highly esteemed Lebanese universities (amongst the ever-increasing number of institutions in the country), as cited by the Ministry of Higher

Education of Lebanon and echoed by our alumni and supporters worldwide. Haigazian University aspires to be the institution of choice for students of diverse backgrounds seeking a personalized, quality academic experience preparing them to serve in their communities and society at large.

## G O A L S ● ● ● ●

- RAISE \$15 million for the Haigazian University Endowment Fund.
- RAISE \$1 million annually from Alumni, friends of Haigazian University, corporations, and foundations.
- INCREASE the annual budget to support growth of student enrollment to 1,000.
- INCREASE housing and support services to accommodate more students from outside Beirut.
- COMPLETE online mobility services for the entire campus.

# We Need Everyone's Support



We can be successful...  
with your enthusiastic engagement.



S H I N E   Y O U R   L I G H T



## President's Levels of Recognition

### TRUTH

Lifetime giving of over \$50,000\*

### FREEDOM

\$5,000\* per year or a 5-year pledge of \$25,000\*

### SERVICE

\$1,250\* per year or a 5-year pledge of \$5,000\*

\* or equivalent in Lebanese Pounds or other currencies





## Scholarships

### **PRESIDENT'S ACADEMIC MERIT SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Provides 30% tuition scholarship for the next school year for students that make the President's List with an average of 90 and above.

### **FUTURE ARMENIAN LEADERSHIP FUND (FALF)**

Provides full tuition scholarship for academically excellent and financially challenged Armenian Students majoring in any subject or scholars majoring in Armenian or Christian Education.

### **SYRIAN REFUGEE SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Provides financial aid for displaced Syrian students covering their tuition fees as well as dormitory expenses.

Other restricted or unrestricted scholarships



● **PLATINUM (NAMED)**

\$60,000\* - Student awarded a 100% four-year scholarship including funds for room and other costs. Scholarship bears your name of choice\*\*.

● **GOLD (NAMED)**

\$30,000\* - Student awarded a 100% three-year scholarship. Scholarship bears your name of choice\*\*.

● **SILVER**

\$15,000\* - Student awarded a 50% three-year scholarship.

● **BRONZE**

\$10,000\* - Student awarded a 100% one-year scholarship.

### Honoring Opportunities for Endowments; Capital and Programs starting at \$25,000\*

- Scholarships ● Buildings ● Academic programs, research and projects

\*or in equivalent value in Lebanese Pounds or other currencies. \*\* based on the Scholarship Naming Policy at Haigazian University.

# S H I N E   Y O U R   L I G H T

## CORPORATE/INDIVIDUAL SPONSORSHIPS

(\$1,000 to \$50,000)\*

Examples include:

**\$30,000 to \$50,000**

Exclusive Sponsor\*\* of an International Academic or Research Conference

**\$20,000 to \$40,000**

Exclusive Sponsor\*\* of a Fund Raising or Celebratory Banquet

**\$5,000 to \$15,000**

Exclusive Sponsor\*\* of a Student music-dance performance

**\$1,000 to \$6,000**

Exclusive Sponsor\*\* of a Lecture series

OTHER EVENT RECOGNITION EXAMPLES COULD INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

- Commencement Activities
- Award Presentations
- Program Lecture Series
- Monthly Presidential Luncheon
- Alumni Affairs Special Events
- Center for Continuing Studies Programs
- Student Life Activities and Sports Teams

\* or in equivalent Lebanese Pounds or other currencies . \*\* Joint Sponsorships also welcomed



## Planned Giving

- Annuities  
Stock/Bond Gifts
- Charitable Remainder Trusts  
Charitable Lead Trusts
- Gift of Property  
Insurance
- Bequests

Please contact your attorney or wealth manager/accountant for financial advice, or let us know if you need a referral for an expert in your location.

Let us know if Haigazian University is in your estate plans and we will acknowledge you as a Legacy Donor.

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“I invite you [2016 Haigazian University graduates] to be reform agents against corruption, unity against division, knowledge against ignorance, good governance against lack of government, moderation and tolerance against all sorts of extremism and last, but not least, hope and faith against despair”

Wael Abou Faour  
Minister of Public Health, Lebanon

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## M I S S I O N

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### HERITAGE & TRADITION

With roots in the Armenian Evangelical heritage that promotes a harmony of faith and learning and the experience that testifies to resilience and progress, the university strives to disseminate and promote knowledge about Armenian culture, past and present; and promotes dialogue, harmony and integration among all sectors of the Lebanese community.

### ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

The University prepares its graduates to face the 21st century in a global setting by providing quality personalized education; incorporating critical thinking, knowledge and skills in the use of information technology and encourages research and lifelong learning.

### VALUES & ETHICS

Striving for excellence in all its endeavors, the University encourages cultural and religious diversity and promotes respect for the individual, human dignity as well as different perspectives among students and faculty, emphasizing leadership.

# STATISTICS & INFORMATION

Since its creation **sixty two** years ago, Haigazian University has educated over **ten thousand** students from **seventy** countries.

- When the University opened its doors in 1955, it enrolled 43 students (Armenian and Arab students from Lebanon and neighboring countries). Several different religious traditions were represented: Armenian Evangelical, Armenian Apostolic, Arab Protestant, Muslim, Druze, Greek Orthodox, and Roman Catholic.
- Today, with annual enrollment averaging between 650-750, the diversity of ethnicity and religion varies only slightly, whereas the percentage of women has grown from 20% to over 60%.

## HAIGAZIAN UNIVERSITY'S 6 MOST NOTABLE PROGRAMS

The School of Business Administration & Economics

The Faculty of Education

The Rocket Society (Past) and the Sciences (Present)

The Armenian Diaspora Research Center and the Haigazian Armenological Review

The Center for Continuing Education

Student Life Activities

- Students enjoy a student-teacher ratio of 14:1.
- Though the need is even greater, more than two-thirds of incoming students receive some form of financial aid.
- Over 90% of students surveyed responded that Haigazian University was their first or second choice in deciding where to attend.





“ Progress lies not in enhancing what is,  
but in advancing toward what will be.”

-K halil Gibran

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