## **MAJOR DECLARATION INSTRUCTIONS**

Most students who are admitted to AUC will enter the University as undeclared freshmen. This means that, regardless of the major they hope to pursue while at AUC, they will not be permitted to apply for their preferred major until the second semester of their freshman year at the earliest. Moreover, most students will not be formally accepted into their preferred major until the end of their freshman year at the earliest. This is true for students intending to major in non-science programs.

Only AUC's engineering and science programs will accept students into their majors before classes begin. Please see the information below to complete the relevant section on the application form:

- If you are interested in majoring in engineering or the sciences, you must complete the questions on page two of the application form.
   If you are interested in non-science majors, you should complete the questions on page two of the application
- form.

  If you are **not sure what major you prefer**, you should simply write undeclared in the space provided.

  Applicants intending to declare architectural engineering as a major will be required to sit for an aptitude test.

It is important to note that not all students will be accepted into their preferred majors. Students who may want to major in a particular discipline are not guaranteed that they would be accepted into this major. There are several reasons for this, including that many of AUC's majors have strict qualifications that not all students can meet. In addition, other majors have a limited number of places available for each new class entering the University, and sometimes, the number of students seeking places in these majors exceeds the number of places available. In such cases, all incoming students will have exactly the same opportunity to earn one of those limited places.

Each major has specific criteria of acceptance that interested students must meet, and most of these criteria are related to the courses that incoming students take during their freshman year. The better the students perform in these courses, the better their chances of being accepted into their preferred majors.

AUC believes that all of its majors are equally outstanding and will prepare you well for careers after graduation. What will matter most when you graduate and begin looking for jobs or opportunities for graduate study is not that you have a degree in management, journalism, engineering or biology but that you have a degree from AUC – a name that is respected worldwide.