
12. STUDENT LIFE

12.1 HUB19

HUB19 is the latest addition to the recreational spaces and facilities we offer to all our students. Located on the Ground Floor of Block 19 in Knowledge Park, this large space offers well-equipped dedicated rooms for:

- Computer Gaming
- Indoor Games – Snooker, Table Tennis
- Board games
- Student Clubs' meeting room
- Dance Studio
- Music Room

Opening timings for HUB19 (during teaching terms):

Sunday - Thursday	7.30 am – 8 pm
Friday - Saturday	Closed

The University offers a range of 'board games', such as Chess, Monopoly, Pictionary, Carom, as well PlayStation, Table Tennis and Billiards, which students can use to play in the Recreation Room in HUB19.

Table Tennis rackets, PS games, controllers, billiard que sticks and other game equipment can be borrowed for a limited period of time from the reception in HUB19 and it is free of charge. This can be done by depositing the Student ID Card and this rental is on a first-come-first-serve basis. You will receive your Student ID card back upon returning the equipment in timely manner and in the same condition as at the time of borrowing.

HUB19 and the Postgraduate (PG) Lounge have been created exclusively for Middlesex University Dubai students. External visitors are not allowed in these premises. The PG Lounge is for use by postgraduate (enrolled) students only. Your Middlesex University Dubai Student ID Card must be presented upon entry in to HUB19. From the September 2019, we have installed HUB19 electronic gates where students have to tap their Student ID card on electronic gates. When student receives his/hers Student ID card, IT department has to verify the card and this would enable students to enter HUB19. **Failure to provide the Student ID card will result in no entry.**

To ensure student safety, the lounges are equipped with CCTV system.

It is the responsibility of every student to keep the lounges neat, clean and orderly at all times.

Please be courteous to fellow-students; always rearrange the chairs, tables and couches back to their original positions after you are done using them.

Personal belongings should always be kept in the owners' possession. Students should ensure they have collected all their objects at the time of exiting (even temporarily) the student lounges.

The University will not be liable towards misplaced or lost items.

12.2 Code of Conduct in the Student Lounges

For details, please refer to Section 14.4, Appendix A3

12.3 Team Middlesex

Students can get the most out of their University life by joining one of the active sports male and female teams or student art, social, sport, music, charitable activity clubs. You can improve your leadership, project management and communication skills by becoming a volunteer or organiser for one of many on-campus events.

The Student Activities offices are located in Block 19, on the Ground Floor. For sports teams and training opportunities, contact our Assistant Manager Student Activities Sports, Mr Slavko Micanovic (phone: 04 374 8447, email: S.Micanovic@mdx.ac.ae).

To join a Social Club and or for any other extra-curricular activity contact the Assistant Manager Student Activities Cultural, Ms Selma Cengic (phone: 04-374 8983, email: S.cengic@mdx.ac.ae). Keep an eye out for try-outs, event announcements via Student Activities notice boards across the campus, through student emails, the **Student Life** page on the University's website and the University's Facebook page: www.facebook.com/MiddlesexDubai/

We have introduced an official Instagram account for events announcements, showcasing student university experience on campus. Students can visit Instagram account @wearemdx: <https://www.instagram.com/wearemdx/>

Week of Welcome

To celebrate the start of the new academic year and make new friends, we organize a series of fun and interactive activities for all students. From singing, to flash mob, DJ music, games, movie screening and treasure hunt. This is a week-long event where new and returning students can also register for sport and social clubs.

Fresher's Party

To welcome new students and to celebrate new academic year, we organize Fresher's party for all new students to encourage them to make new friends and have fun.

Red Beat Magazine

Student Magazine is created by PR & Advertising Club. The magazine highlights upcoming events, student experiences and current topics in the university. This magazine is created by the students for the students. You can find more details on:

<https://www.mdx.ac.ae/teammiddlesex>

Community Events

Blood Donation Campaigns

Every year Middlesex University Dubai hosts two successful blood donation events on campus for the Latifa (Children's) Hospital in Dubai, one in each semester. The goal is to continue assisting their team and patients in this drive and host two more campaigns each year. Blood Donors Cards from Dubai Health Authorities are issued to all student donors.

Breast Cancer Awareness

These two important awareness days are observed together through a vast array of events: quizzes, seminars, free check-ups, merchandise sales for a selected agency supporting free cancer screening tests in UAE for underprivileged women.

World Food Day

This United Nations' awareness day reminds us of the difficulties of food supplies in some impoverished parts of the planet. Our Club Impact and Culinary Clubs enthusiasts create a great day, filled with providing knowledge on highlighting this growing issue. At the same time, they provide a home-made culinary experience for our international students to create a feeling of "home away from home".

International Day

During the Autumn term, Middlesex University Dubai hosts an International Day. It is a day full of events, performances, food exhibitions and parade with stalls representing each participating country, offering food, souvenirs, leaflets and information on each country – by MDX students for MDX students and staff members and others! Be proud and educate your fellow students and staff members about the intricacies of your cultures and traditions! Parade of Nations, music and dance entertainment is on the Main Stage as well.

To get involved, please contact Ms. Lulu Baddar, 04-3616247, L.Baddar@mdx.ac.ae.

Health Day

Students Activities with Events Club and Students Council organise this important, fun-filled and informative day on Campus every April. Doctors, beauticians, nutritionists are invited each year to educate us more on the hazards of smoking, bad food choices and consequences they carry. A number of prestigious healthy food manufacturers sponsor this Day each year, so students

sample healthy food throughout the day, as well as the personal hygiene and quality skin care products for young adults.

There are many more interesting events and drives organised by the Student Clubs. To stay informed on the upcoming events, please read the Notice-boards, check information on the website (www.mdx.ac.ae/contact-us/events-list) and your emails or simply contact the Assistant Manager Students Activities Cultural, Ms Selma Cengic (phone: 04-374 8983, email: S.cengic@mdx.ac.ae).

Youth Festival ('YF')

Every year, after a packed calendar of events and tournaments, the University organises the largest student event – the Youth Festival. There is a week-long schedule of competitions in more than 30 categories, from singing, art and writing, to cricket, football, running and fashion show leading up to a grand finale and a glittering awards ceremony.

Last year more than 1,100 students participated in YF, in 35 competing categories. This event is an excellent platform for students to showcase their talents. Under the guidance of Student Activities Office and other staff members, this event is entirely organised, coordinated and managed by students. Judges and referees in the competitions are leading professionals, prominent members of Dubai's social and professional circles, magazine editors and so on.

We welcome students to propose competition categories as well to participate in various competitions. If this looks like “too much lime-light” for some of you, please join the army of much needed volunteers – the true heroes of this event. We can assure you that you will learning and practice a range of skills from leadership to teamwork and make more friends than you can ever imagine.

12.4 Sports

The University encourages our students to be active in sports. Apart from athletics, the University's football, volleyball, basketball, badminton, cricket, table tennis, marital arts and rugby teams achieved amazing results and have won numerous trophies and over 90 medals. Our individual students' performance made a true impact on the domestic inter-college scene last year. If you wish to be active in one or more of the sports mentioned above, please contact our Assistant Manager Student Activities Sports, Mr Slavko Micanovic (phone: 04 374 8447, email: S.Micanovic@mdx.ac.ae) or visit him at our Activities' office in HUB19, located in Block 19 on the Ground Floor.

Representing the University in sports is a lot of fun but it is a privilege as well. Although we greet all students to actively participate and practice to keep fit, positions in the first teams will be reserved for students who:

- Successfully maintain the good academic standing, with no Fail grades throughout the year.

- Regularly attend university classes, as well as ALL practice sessions for sports.
- Follow and promote the “No Smoking” policy of our university.

Men’s Football

The male football team is the oldest and most popular sports team on Campus, existing since 2006 and attracting over 80 enthusiasts each year. Middlesex students from every continent meet three times per week to train on a professional ground, under the watchful eyes of two skilled coaches, always eager to teach the new fitness levels, tactics and tricks. Football team finished 2018-2019 season with three gold and two silver trophies and confirm its domination amongst Dubai universities.

Women’s Football

What a brilliant year for our Ladies! After their initial season last academic year, they managed to win two Gold Cups this year! Coached by a wonderful and enthusiastic coach and a footballer himself, the women’s team is going from strength to strength, learning the skills, always with a smile!

Basketball and Athletics - Men and Women

Middlesex Basketball and Athletics teams and individuals have made an amazing impact on the Dubai amateur sports scene since 2012. In the past year, men and women have made brilliant results. Apart from winning the 2nd place in prestigious DIAC cup, for both men and women, teams also won five trophies. Like every year, Team Middlesex is all game for entering and achieving at marathons on national and international levels. This season we participated in the Dubai Standard Chartered Marathon, RAK Half marathon, Al Qasba Run – WINNERS, Dubai Nike Run, Dubai Athletics League and winning five trophies and 82 medals in 2018-2019 race season.

Trials for all our sports teams will be held in the first two weeks of the new academic year.

Notes on Student Participation in Extra-Curricular Activities

As participants of an extra-curricular activities associated with Middlesex University Dubai, students are expected to conduct themselves in a manner which demonstrates respect for the University, its staff and peers, while maintaining sensible and good behaviour at all times. At the same time students should be aware that participating in extra-curricular events and activities carries the risk of personal injury, property damage or other losses.

While we will make reasonable efforts to ensure that extra-curricular events are organised in a safe and secure manner, the University, its officers, agents and employees shall not be liable for any loss, damage, injury or other negative consequences that may result from your participation in such events. As a participant in such events and activities, students are expected to comply with guidelines set by event organisers alongside the University’s policies, rules and regulations. You should also be aware that the University may not be able to provide additional insurance

coverage for personal health, automotive, and property or accident damages for such extra-curricular events and activities. In case of the occurrence of any unfortunate incidents, participants may become responsible for their own personal medical costs or personal property losses incurred.

Use of Student Images in University Extra-Curricular Activities

All students who participate in activities or events organised by the University, or any of its Sports Clubs or Social Clubs are granting permission for the University to take photographs/video of them while participating in extra-curricular activities such as sports events or social activities. These photos and/or videos may be used in ways that include, but are not limited to: promotional materials, media coverage, or any other medium deemed appropriate by the University. If you have any concerns or queries in this regard, please speak of a staff member in Student Activities.