

A Year Later, the Students of the Ecole Saint Charles des Filles de la Charite Visit the Museums at NDU

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After the success of their first visit in March 2011, another group of young ladies from the Ecole Saint Charles des Filles de la Charité situated in Ashrafieh, Beirut, visited NDU to see both the Stone Wing Museum and the Lebanon Migration Nucleus Museum.

Around 36 students were once again divided into two groups. One was shown by Ms. Yolla Abboud the prehistoric stone tools used by historic man over several thousand years ago and the collection of precious and semi-precious stones and fossilized fish and plants displayed in the Stone Wing, while the other group headed to the Lebanon Migration Nucleus Museum for a detailed tour by LERC's Mrs. Liliane Haddad.



Ecole Saint Charles des Filles de la Charité at the Lebanon Migration Nucleus Museum at NDU.

The students were shown around the LERC collections, taking notes concerning the cultural materials displayed. The two groups then exchanged their venues.

The students clarified their ideas about migration and its causes, were delighted with the paintings of Lebanese-Australian Maurice Salameh and the traditional Nigerian clothes worn by a Nigerian-Lebanese, and showed great interest in the photos depicting the early Lebanese in Brazil and Mexico. They also had an enjoyable time considering famous people around the world of Lebanese origin. They were also fascinated to see the peddler's *Kasheh* recently donated to the Museum by Mr. Kozhaya Akiki.

LERC is delighted to have the opportunity to present the collections in its Museum to all ages. The Center feels that such visits could be a way of educating young people, in a visual and interactive manner, about historical, local and international events.