





Nour Bazzi

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A member of the global SABIS<sup>®</sup> Network, the **International School of Choueifat – Sharjah** (ISC-Sharjah) opened in 1975 as the first SABIS<sup>®</sup> Network school to be established outside of Lebanon. For 40+ years, the school has been providing students with a top-quality education and helping them reach their full potential.

## This is a story about a student who is leveraging her SLO<sup>®</sup> experience to set herself apart as a medical school applicant.

Nour Bazzi joined ISC-Sharjah as a first grade student in 2006. She is currently completing the 11<sup>th</sup> grade and is in the midst of the university application process. Nour wants to be a doctor; it has been her dream for as long as she can remember. Throughout her time at ISC-Sharjah, Nour has been an excellent student, consistently performing at the top of her class academically. She knows that strong academics are a must for anyone applying to study medicine and so she has worked hard to get good grades and develop an indepth understanding of all her subjects. Aware that most students applying to study medicine have good grades, Nour has sought to make herself stand out as an individual who actively contributes to shaping her environment and helping those around her.

Nour has been very involved in making a difference in her community at ISC-Sharjah. She is active in the SLO<sup>®</sup> Academics Department as a tutor for students who need to prepare for retake exams. Drawing on her own knowledge of the subject and a strong sense of compassion for others, Nour has been effective in helping students master challenging concepts. The sense of gratification she felt from helping others led her to pursue volunteering avenues outside her school community.

In the summer before her junior year at ISC-Sharjah, Nour signed up as a volunteer for "Projects Abroad," one of the world's leading international volunteer organizations. The specific project she chose to become involved with was in Ghana, where she worked for six weeks providing basic medical support to people in local hospitals, orphanages, and villages. She also worked with orphaned children and in the village school, using her experiences as an SLO<sup>®</sup> peer tutor to guide her.

Now, with only one summer remaining before Nour completes her university applications, she is not sitting idle hoping that her application will be different enough from the others. Nour will be taking part in the Cardiothoracic Surgical Skills Summer Internship at Stanford University in the U.S. Out of thousands of high school students who applied worldwide, Nour's application stood out and she was selected for the prestigious internship. We suspect the same will happen with her medical school application when the time comes and wish her all the best!

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