



The Educational School Network visits the Lebanese Emigration Research Center

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The Economics and Sociology Grade 11 Students, from the Education School Network in its two Sections Hamra and Achrafieh, visited the Lebanese Emigration Research Center (LERC) at Notre Dame University-Louaize (NDU) accompanied by their teachers to attend a presentation about Lebanese Migration, the center's mandate, as well as experience a tour of the Lebanon Migration Museum.

Ms. Liliane Haddad, Chief Indexer and Archivist at LERC, exhibited a historical brief of the Lebanese Emigration, the main factors of this emigration and the impact of the French and British mandate upon the history of Lebanon. A slide show projected the center's collections, its archive and its database. Students received a general overview about the mission of LERC and its work in studying and maintaining the connection with the Lebanese communities all over the world.

A brief discussion and questions held with the students concerning the advantage of the emigration and how the emigration contributed in the evolution of the local education and multiculturalism. The presentation was followed by a visit to the Lebanese Migration Museum, where the students got a glimpse into the material, photos and the painting collections the center has acquired over the years.

The teachers and the students thanked the LERC staff for the informative presentation and the opportunity to see actual archival material.