



#### UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Name of the institution	Almaty Management University	
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	050060 Almaty, Kazakhstan	
University website	http://www.almau.edu.kz/	
Website for incoming	https://www.almau.edu.kz/en/	
students	AlmaU International Facebook page	
	facebook.com/AlmaUInternational	
	AlmaU Instagram page	
	instagram.com/almau_edu/	
	Global AlmaU Instagram page	
	instagram.com/global_almau/	
	Global AlmaU Telegram Channel	
	t.me/global_almau	
	AlmaU LinkedIn page	
	linkedin.com/school/almau	
Mission	Making the world a better place through the development of	
	education, research and entrepreneurship.	
Vision	AlmaU is a globally recognized comprehensive university for	
	people aspiring for the sustainable development of society.	
Values	Leadership, Innovativeness, Honesty and Openness,	
	Responsibility, Upbringing and Intergenerational Continuity	
Fast Facts	5200+ students, 260+ faculty, 130+ international partners	
	from 40 countries	

Almaty Management University is an entrepreneurial, socially responsible university striving to become more comprehensive and research-oriented. In 2024, we celebrated 35 years in the education market, we are the oldest private university in the country, the first business school of the Republic of Kazakhstan, pioneer of business education in CIS. Since our establishment in 1988 AlmaU has taken the path of bringing innovative programs and projects to the market, developing an entrepreneurial spirit and a sense of social responsibility among students, faculty and impacted communities.

Today, AlmaU is a large community of successful alumni, creative students, faculty and partners. We broadcast the entrepreneurial mindset all over Central Asia, supporting economic growth through education.

At AlmaU there are 10 Schools, 3 Centers, the Institute for Education Development and AlmaU Extension (executive education center). Subject areas present at AlmaU include Business and Management, Economics and Finance, Politics and Law, Digital Technologies, Entrepreneurship and Innovation, Hospitality and Tourism, Media and Film, Health Sciences, Urban Studies, Creative Industries, Sports Management, and Humanities. Programs are delivered in 3 languages: Kazakh,



Russian, and English, in more than 20 specialties. The university cooperates with more than 130 universities and associations on 4 world continents. AlmaU is committed to the principles of the Third Mission, the UN SDGs, and promotes the Principles of Responsible Management Education (UN PRME).

Currently, we have 5200+ students, 75% are undergraduate and 25% are postgraduate students. We have the largest cohort of MBA and DBA students in the regional market (more than 1000). The top 5 undergraduate programs by the total number of students of all years and formats of study are Management, Finance, Marketing, Restaurant and Hotel Business, and Logistics. 72% of undergraduate students study in the Russian language, 15% - in Kazakh, 13% - in English. Postgraduate studies are delivered mostly in Russian, however, the Global EMBA program run jointly with AMS (The Netherlands) is an English-language program.

Students from all language cohorts have the option of spending one semester or a year abroad at a partner university. In the 2024-2025 academic year, AlmaU had more than 100 outgoing students and about 15 incoming students. On top of that, in last couple of years we had several short-term educational projects and welcomed groups of students from USA (Lehigh University) and Russia (GSOM SPbU). All students interested in studying abroad undergo a selection process that includes submitting documents and an interview with university staff and faculty. As the rate of outgoing student mobility grows, we are looking to expand our partner network. MBA and DBA students typically participate in one or two international modules during their studies. Master's and PhD students, as well as research grant holders, frequently pursue scientific internships abroad.

AlmaU is accredited by IQA CEEMAN (2010-2029), the Graduate School of Business MBA programs are accredited by AMBA (2013-2026), Graduate School of Business, School of Hospitality and Tourism, School of Entrepreneurship and Innovation of AlmaU are accredited by BGA (2021-2026). The university ranks 801-1000 in the Times Higher Education Impact Rankings 2024. GSB AlmaU is in the top 300 best business schools in the world according to the QS World University Rankings: Global MBA Rankings 2025, the AlmaU EMBA program takes 25th place in the QS Executive MBA 2024: Joint programs. In 2024, 3 programs (Restaurant and Hotel Business, Public Relations, Jurisprudence) were accredited by FIBAA till 2029.



### ALMATY MANAGEMENT UNIVERSITY 2024

### **10 SCHOOLS**

- Graduate School of Business (1996)
- Management (2001)
- Economics and Finance (2001)
- Entrepreneurship and Innovation (2018)
- Hospitality and Tourism (2017)
- Politics and Law (2013)
- Digital Technologies (2016)
- Media and Film (2021)
  - Sharmanov School of Health Sciences (2022)
- Transformative Humanities (2023)



Institute for Educational Development Technology Commercialization<sup>'</sup> Center Center for Economic Policy Research Webometric Analysis Laboratory Laboratory of Experimental Economics Silk Road School SDG & ESG Center

**CENTERS AND LABORATORIES** 

Neuromarketing Laboratory AR & VR Lab Jalinga Studio Court room Tea room - Hospitality Lab Laboratory of Criminology Public Speaking Lab 33Studio (Virtual Production) MFS production Lab **Recording Studio** Qaynar Bulaq coworking space Sports & Art Zone

#### ALMAU EXTENSION

30+ years of experience in the education market (since 1988) 100+ topics of seminars and trainings 50+ business coaches and consultant practitioners 500+ corporate clients 25,000+ training participants Corporate training programs, open programs, professional development programs, consulting projects





- 140+ international students
- 14 international faculty members
- 130+ partnerships
- 23 double degree programs
- 50 Bolashak and "500 Scholars" program alumni



## SAMPLE ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2024-2025

Fall Semester			
August 26 – September 1	Orientation Week		
August 26 – December 08	Theoretical courses		
October 14 – October 20 (8th week)	Midterm 1		
December 02 – December 08 (15 <sup>th</sup> week)	Midterm 2		
December 09 – December 29 (16 <sup>th</sup> week)	Exam Session		
January 1 – January 12	Winter holidays		
Spring Sem	ester		
January 13 – January 17	Orientation Week		
January 13 – April 27	Theoretical courses		
March 3 – March 09 (8 <sup>th</sup> week)	Midterm 1		
April 21 – April 27 (15 <sup>th</sup> week)	Midterm 2		
April 28 – May 11 (16 <sup>th</sup> week)	Exam session		
Summer Semester			
May 12 – July 13	Theoretical courses		
June 09 – June 15 (5 <sup>th</sup> week)	Midterm 1		
July 07 – July 13 (9 <sup>th</sup> week)	Midterm 2		
July 14 – July 20 (10 <sup>th</sup> week)	Exam session		

NOMINATION PROCESS			
Nomination Process	Necessary documents such as a copy of passport, application form* and digital photo 3x4 should be sent by e-mail to: global@almau.edu.kz *Application form will be sent to the partner university		
Required information	Full name of the students, date of birth, their study program, year of		
that should be included	study, number of semesters completed, and emails should be		
in the nomination	provided in the nomination.		
Nomination deadlines*	Fall Semester Spring Semester		
		(September -	(January - June)
* unless a different deadline is		December)	
established by mutual agreement with a partner university	Nomination	May 15	October 25
	Application	June 15	November 25

HOLIDAYS		
Fall Semester	Spring Semester	
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(September - December)	(January - June)
August 30 - Constitution Day	March 8 - International Women's Day
October 25 - Republic Day	March 21-23 - Nauryz (Spring Equinox Day)
December 16 - Independence Day	May 1 - Kazakhstan's People Solidarity Holiday
December 31- New Year's Eve	May 7 - Defenders' day
January 1,2 - New Year	May 9 - Victory Day
January 7 - Orthodox Christmas	June 6 - Qurban Ait

	COURSE SELECTION PROCESS		
Course information/ Syllabus	The syllabus will be shared before the beginning of each semester (will be sent to incoming international students by email).		
Course selection	Students select their preferred courses (unless a different procedure is determined by bilateral agreements between sending and receiving institutions). The registration for chosen courses will be handled remotely by student coordinators. <b>Students have only two weeks after the start of the semester to change courses.</b> The list of courses is sent to the incoming student in advance. A full semester workload for students is <u>30 ECTS</u> credits.		
English language proficiency requirement	B2 level and higher		

GRADING SYSTEM			
Definition	AlmaU grade	ECTS grade	%
Excellent	4,0	A (A, A-)	90-100
Very good	3,33	B (B+, B, B-)	85-89
Good	3,0	C (C+, C, C-)	70-84
Satisfactory	2,0	D (D+, D)	55-69
Sufficient	1,0	E	50-54
Fail	0	F, FX	0-49

Note - 20% of the midterm grade will be awarded for class attendance.

Almaty Management University (AlmaU) uses the ECTS grading system. The number of ECTS credits for each course reflects the total number of hours a student is expected to devote to the course (in the form of lectures, homework, reading, essays, consultations, seminars, etc.). Since 2021, AlmaU undergraduate programs switched to 3-year length of study with 240- ECTS in total. About 90 ECTS credits are attached to the workload of a full-time year of formal learning (academic year) on undergraduate level and the associated learning outcomes during first two years of study. The 3rd year makes about 60 ECTS. At AlmaU, 1 ECTS credit is equal to 30 hours of student total workload.

Students' academic achievements are evaluated in points on a 100-point scale, in a letter system with a digital equivalent (positive grades from "A" to "D", and "unsatisfactory" - "FX" and "F"). Grades of midterm 1 and midterm 2 of academic performance constitute 60% of the final assessment of academic achievements on the discipline, grade of the final exam constitutes 40% of the final grade on the discipline. The grade "F" (Fail) "unsatisfactory" is used when students miss more than 30% of the total number of classroom hours in the discipline.

Rules of Academic Integrity - <u>https://almau.edu.kz/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/Rules-of-</u> <u>Academic-Integrity.pdf</u>

Rules for organizing and monitoring academic achievements - <u>https://almau.edu.kz/wp-</u> content/uploads/2024/08/Rules-for-organizing-and-monitoring-academic-achievements-OMAA.pdf

#### **BEFORE ARRIVAL**



Visa support	Almaty Management University supports international students with application proceedings to get a study visa through the provision of invitation letters and registration numbers from the Department of Consular Service of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Almaty ( <u>http://mfa.gov.kz/en/</u> ). Incoming students should also visit the website of the Consulate General of Kazakhstan in their countries to learn more about the documents required for visa application (medical insurance, validity of passport, 2 passport-sized photos, application form of host university).
Accommodation (Off-campus)	AlmaU does not provide any accommodation on campus. AlmaU supports international students in their search for accommodation, providing personal advice, and useful information to ensure that students can quickly find a place to call their own. Usually, prices start from \$400/month depending on whether the choice is a private or a shared flat. Shared accommodation can be almost half as expensive. The need for accommodation assistance should be mentioned in students' application forms.
Insurance	Health insurance is mandatory for all international students throughout their term of enrollment at AlmaU. Proof of medical coverage must be submitted by the student before his/her arrival and the start of the exchange period (it shall be attached to application documents). Please, note that valid international health insurance coverage is also one of the legal requirements while applying for Kazakhstani visa.
Cost of living	Accommodation: average \$400 per month (for private flat) Food & others: average \$100 per month https://www.numbeo.com/cost-of-living/in/Almaty

ARRIVAL		
Welcome on arrival	AlmaU International Office and University staff will welcome international students and help them to settle into their new life, through mentor/buddy program; providing them with information materials, like e.g. Student Handbook; and organizing touristic trips inside and outside of the city.	
Orientation week – COMPULSORY for all Incoming Exchange Students	AlmaU Academic Mobility Office provides Introduction Day programs for all international students a few days before the start of each Semester. This compulsory session aims to integrate international students into their new environment, inform them about University regulations and administrative matters (visa, residence permit and registration, health insurance, banking, mobile and internet providers, accommodation, transportation, student cards, academic expectations and standards).	
Notes for foreigners staying	According to the university's internal rules, foreigners must report to our visa officer before and after each trip in Kazakhstan and abroad, as this is also the requirement of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Kazakhstan. Violation leads to fines and deportation.	



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Language of instruction	English, Russian, Kazakh Depending on year, major and study level		

# We are excited to welcome you to Almaty!

