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The Republic of Kazakhstan, located in the heart of the Eurasian continent appeared on the geopolitical map in 1991 when it gained independence from the Soviet Union.

The name Kazakh, of Turkic origin is thought to mean "free man" – which is appropriate in a land historically populated by freedom-loving nomads.

For thousands of years, these nomads tended vast cattle herds, pasturelands and the fertile soils of the region's foothills and river valleys.

During this time, spices, expensive furs, and other valuables were transported along Kazakhstan' s Silk Road and Sable Route.

This made Kazakhstan an important cultural, trade and economic bridge between Asia and Europe. Kazakhstan is home to many different ethnicities and faiths, all united by a common history. This is reflected in the Japanese saying: "You can survive without your relatives; you cannot survive without your neighbors."

The people of Kazakhstan are proud of their diversity. Century after century, generation after generation Kazakhstan has always sought to encourage friendship and tolerance among its people.

It is not necessary to search the entire world for fascinating tradition, beautiful, pristine nature or a delicate mixture of old and modern: simply visit Kazakhstan. In Kazakhstan, guests are made welcome as they experience the very heart of Eurasia.



# **QUICK OVERVIEW**

### **OFFICIAL LANGUAGE:**

KAZAKH (RUSSIAN IS COMMONLY SPOKEN IN BUSINESS SETTINGS),

> LOCAL TIME: UTC+5 / +6 (WEST / EAST)

### **CAPITAL:**

ASTANA

### CURRENCY:

TENGE (KZT)

#### **TOTAL AREA:**

2,724,900 SQUARE KM

#### **POPULATION:**

19,691,858 (AS OF 2022)

#### **PRESIDENT:**

KASSYM-JOMART TOKAYEV

### **RELIGION:**

KAZAKHSTAN IS A SECULAR COUNTRY. THE MAIN RELIGION IS ISLAM (PRACTICED BY 70% OF THE POPULATION), BUT THE KAZAKHS MANIFEST TOLERANCE TOWARDS DIFFERENT RELIGIONS SUCH AS CHRISTIANITY (PRACTICED BY 26% OF THE POPULATION), JUDAISM, AND OTHER RELIGIONS (PRACTICED BY 4% OF THE POPULATION). THE COUNTRY HAS BUILT MANY MOSQUES AND CHURCHES IN RECENT YEARS.

# ABOUT ALMATY





For Kazakhstan, the city of Almaty offers an enduring image with its picturesque valley Medeo. Almaty is a city that successfully brings together people of different cultures.

Eastern and European traditions are closely interwoven here and the city's inhabitants are open-minded and friendly. The city has well-developed infrastructure, a high standard of living, a strong economy and recreational facilities of international standard.

Almaty is the largest city in Kazakhstan. It served as capital of the Kazakh state in its various forms from 1929 to 1997, under the influence of the Soviet Union and its appointees. Almaty remains the major financial and cultural center of Kazakhstan, as well as its most populous and most cosmopolitan city. The city is located in the mountainous area of southern Kazakhstan in the foothills of the Trans-IIi Alatau.

### ALMATY A BUSINESS AND CULTURAL CENTER OF KAZAKHSTAN



Almaty has been part of the UNESCO Creative Cities Network in the music category since November 2017.

The city was the host for a 1978 international conference on Primary Health Care, marking a paradigm shift in global public health.

# HIGHER EDUCATION IN KAZAKHSTAN

In 2010 Kazakhstan signed the Bologna Declaration, which was followed by a series of changes in the education system. A three-level model based on a credit system is implemented in Kazakhstan:

#### Bachelor (4 years), Master degrees (1 - 2 years) Doctoral studies (3 years)

A semester lasts 15 weeks and is equivalent to 30 credits, which is compatible with the ECTS system.

The first institutions of higher education in Kazakhstan were opened in 1919–1920. Currently, there are 122 higher education institutions in Kazakhstan. The financial capital, Almaty, has the highest concentration of facilities and the most varied choice of subjects.





# HISTORY OF NARXOZ UNIVERSITY

#### VISION:

to become an internationally-accredited university that provides multidisciplinary and globally-oriented education with strong ties to the industry for future real life leaders

#### **MISSION:**

to contribute to the development of society through training of leaders who take on and solve complex integral tasks in real life

Narxoz University was founded in 1963, in the period of ambitious goals, large-scale reforms and great achievements.

A true symbol of its time, Narxoz University made rapid progress – it took just a few years for it to progress from its foundation to nationally prestigious "All-Union" recognition.

The whole process of birth and development of higher economic education system of Kazakhstan is reflected in the history of the formation of Narxoz.

In 2022 a grand construction project of the new campus was finished.

Having won the respect and recognition at an early stage of its existence, the University has demonstrated its commitment to the highest standards for over half a century and continues to strive for new achievements.

By carefully conserving its history and traditions, the University continues to fulfill its noble mission - to train the leaders of Kazakhstan's communities, the nation and the world through high-quality education and research.





# THE NARXOZ ADVANTAGE

NARXOZ IS COMMITTED TO EVOLVING AND PREPARING STUDENTS FOR SUCCESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY AND BEYOND

#### **EDUCATION**

Narxoz students have the opportunity to develop professional proficiency in three languages, positioning them for many job opportunities in the future

#### **ENVIRONMENT**

In 2022, Narxoz University completed a project to build the most modern campus in Central Asia

#### EMPOWERMENT

Narxoz students receive training to successfully navigate the economy and the job market of the future. The ability to combine majors and minors gives students the opportunity to expand their expertise beyond one professional focus

#### UNIVERSITY MANAGEMENT

An international team of professionals together with progressive professionals from Kazakhstan are developing such programs that will allow graduates to work in international companies, represent the country in the international labor market and attract foreign employers and investors

#### SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Narxoz annually attracts its own investors, sponsors, and partners to encourage those who want to learn, and develops programs to support socially vulnerable groups in the community

#### **INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT**

The Schools of Narxoz offer students double-degree programs with universities in the UK and Europe

## SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT

The School of Economics and Management (SEM) offers undergraduate and graduate level **Accounting and Audit, Economics, Finance. Management** and **Marketing** programs. Our programs have been recognized by **ACCA, CIMA** and **CIA**. Our Bachelor in Accounting and Audit program graduates get up to 9 exemptions from ACCA and the Master in Accounting and Audit program graduates may exemptions from P1 and P2 ACCA papers.

The School of Economics and Management also offers a **double degree program (BBA) in cooperation with Coventry University (UK)**, so that students have a unique opportunity to receive Coventry University and Narxoz University diplomas within the framework of one undergraduate program.

Additionally, one of the innovative programs the School of Economics and Management offers is graduate level **Corporate Governance, Compliance** and Performance Appraisal.

The proportion of English-speaking students is increasing and the number of graduates receiving job offers from auditing firms is growing too.

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# SCHOOL OF LAW AND PUBLIC POLICY

Ranked as the best law school in Kazakhstan\*, School of Law and Public Policy (SLPP) has established itself as an elite destination for higher education thanks to its research, student development, global partnerships, and community outreach programs. Our world class facilities, faculty, and student-centered curriculum equip you with the skills and knowledge needed to create an impact on the world. **The Eurasian Center for Economic and legal Research** conducts practicallyoriented research and coordinates grant projects.

The graduates of our School go on to become judges, diplomats, policy makers, legal counsels at firms and corporations, and much more. We provide our students the opportunity to explore their passions and quest for knowledge by providing them with a plethora of disciplines to choose from – financial investigations, business law, international law, international relations, public administration among other. The School realizes a double-degree program in

International Law with Mykolas Romeris University (Lithuania).

\*ranking of educational programs of universities conducted by the Atameken National Chamber.

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# SCHOOL OF DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES

The School of Digital Technologies was established in February 2021, having previously been part of the larger School of Society, Technology and the Environment, and currently has more than 1000 hundred students and 90 faculty, delivering five bachelor and three master programs. Programs include **Statistics and Data Science, Cybersecurity,** 

#### Applied Mathematics for the Digital Economy, Digital Engineering, Digital Management and Design, Data Engineering, Smart applications development.

It was established as a separate unit to reflect the University's focus on development of practice-oriented applied educational programs that would serve the society by supporting a sustainable transition of the Republic of Kazakhstan to the digital economy.

The medium-term mission for the School by 2025 is "to develop a school of around 1800 students learning in multilingual media and staffed by 120 multinational faculty the governance of their school who deliver interesting relevant, high quality education in IT and mathematics, informed by extensive research and partnership with the IT industry".

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## SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

School of Arts and Social Sciences is a new structural division of Narxoz University.

The School covers the education of first year students in the **liberal arts module**, academic writing and languages. The School also offers advanced BA and MA education programs within the framework of **Tourism and Social Studies** departments, which enables students' impressive career growth on the local, national and international levels. An example of an innovative approach are **dual** programs with Rixos Borovoe and Ritz-Carlton hotel chain for hospitality students. Every student of the School has a wide range of opportunities in learning world languages from English and Russian to French and Chinese within the Centre for Interdisciplinary Education, as well as reveal their research potential as a part of Sustainable Kazakhstan Research Institute.

Our goal is to teach students learn how to think critically, communicate effectively and lead. Our curriculum emphasizes ethics, integrity, citizenship and awareness of global issues and orients students to gain analysis skills be selecting interdisciplinary course work, research and experiential opportunities.

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### **GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS**

The Graduate School of Business of Narxoz University is one of the important components of the university and the leading educational center in Kazakhstan for the training and retraining of middle and top management personnel both full-time and remotely, without interruption from the main activity. The School was founded with the aim of creating a unified base of business education and advanced training within the framework of programs that meet the expectations of today's realities. Our graduates occupy leading positions and are well-known not only in Kazakhstan.

The Business School provides a blended learning format of educational courses and forms of educational courses and forms programs with leading European business schools. Programs are offered for training in all disciplines of business: **Mini MBA, MBA, Executive MBA** and **DBA**, and they are created with the support and direct participation of local and foreign professors and business coaches. The school provides a number of programs focused on providing important and valuable tasks, both for the corporate segment and individually. All programs are confirmed by prestigious certificates and diplomas of the international level.



### **INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AND FACULTY**



The International Students and Faculty Department ISFD provides international students, employees, and other guests with support before and during their time at Narxoz.

This support includes but is not limited to:

- Visa application
- Registration with migration services
- Assistance with arrival and adaptation

Additionally, ISFD provides a physical space for students to spend time, and organizes various events such as city tours, movie nights, cultural celebrations, and other opportunities for international visitors to connect with one another and feel at home at Narxoz.

For questions and concerns about any aspect of settling into life at Narxoz, international students can contact welcome@narxoz.kz

Address: Narxoz main campus, office A138

ISFD UNITES STUDENTS, VOLUNTEERS, AND FACULTY FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD BY PROVIDING SUPPORT, A SPACE TO CALL THEIR OWN, AND UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCES.

# ACCREDITATIONS



FIBAA - Unconditional institutional accreditation \* 1% of universities in the country



FIBAA - Accreditation of 7 academic programs



IQAA – Accreditation of 7 academic programs







ACCA - International certification of Finance program with a right of recognition up to 9 exams



IAAR - National institutional accreditation by IAAR



CIMA – the only university in Almaty accredited by international professional certification CIMA for Business and Management programs

# RANKINGS



THE - Narxoz University is the top private university in Kazakhstan according to Times Higher Education Impact Ranking (2022)







ATAMEKEN – Top-10 of universities in Kazakhstan according to "Atameken" National Chamber of Entrepreneurs.



# **ADVANTAGES**



New technological and ecological campus



3 dormitories



Grants and scholarships



Major and minor programs



Internship in international companies



Court room



Fitness center with a swimming pool



26 IT laboratories including Bloomberg, Cisco and 5G Beeline



24/7 library



Academic mobility



Double-degree programs



Military service department



UEFA standard football stadium

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# **INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION**

Narxoz University cooperates on joint research, academic mobility for students and staff, double-degree programs, conferences and summer schools with 77 partner-universities around the world, including leading universities such as



University of Massachusetts Amherst (USA)



Sapienza University of Rome (Italy)



Hankuk University of Foreign Sciences (South Korea)



University of Pittsburgh (USA)

University of Birmingham

PennState Law Penn State Law (USA)

(UK)



FH Joanneum University of Applied Sciences (Austria)



University College Leuven Limburg (Belgium)



University of Helsinki (Finland) Amsterdam Univerz of Applied Sciences Amsterdam University for Applied Science (the Netherlands)

# **DOUBLE-DEGREE PROGRAMS:**



**Coventry University (UK)** 



Mykolas Romeris University (Lithuania)



La Rochelle University (France)

# ACCOMMODATION

NARXOZ OFFERS THE FOLLOWING ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS TO THE NON RESIDENT STUDENTS, UNDERGRADUATES AND DOCTORAL STUDENTS FOR THE PERIOD OF EDUCATION:

All nonresident students in need of housing will be accommodated in one of three dormitories. Dormitory buildings are located near the academic buildings, so students do not spend time and money for commuting. Registration for dormitory housing, as well as check-in procedures are done through the Dean's Office for Student Affairs.

The total area of dorms is 18819,9 sq.m. Building of student dorms correspond to the construction norms and rules. The total design capacity of 3 dorms is 821 beds. Living area per one resident - 6,6 m.

All dorms have Wi-Fi Internet. Lounge rooms are equipped with plasma TVs with satellite and local TV.

In order to ensure the safety of all residents, video cameras and an access control system (ACS) are installed at the entrances of dormitories.

Each dorm room is designed for 2-3-4 people, and is equipped with beds, bedside tables, ottomans, wardrobes and a refrigerator.

Washing and replacement of bedding is carried out according to sanitary norms and rules 3 times a month.

Each dorm building has a kitchen, lounge rooms, sports rooms, reception rooms, showers, and laundry rooms equipped with modern appliances - washing and drying machines, ironing boards and irons.



20 student clubs are successfully operating in Narxoz, around 170 events annually. For all questions related to student life can be directed to studentlife@narxoz.kz





























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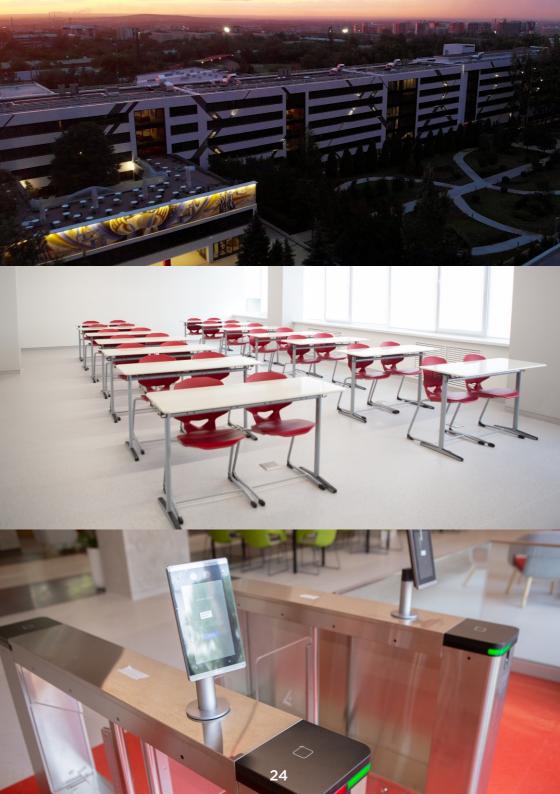












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