

A. Contact Information

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B. Academic Calendar

<Nominations Deadlines>

Fall	May 1
Spring	October 1
Summer	April 1

<2013 Spring Semester>

Orientation	January 9
Class begins	January 10
Class (exam) ends	May 15

<2013 Fall Semester>

Orientation	August the 13 th
Class begins	August the 14 th
Class (exam) ends	December 21

C. Admission

Minimum GPA Requirement	3.00 and above
Minimum Language Requirement	IELTS 5.5 or equivalent
Other Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• X-ray (of chest) not older than 1 year (preferably X-ray film)• AIDS certificate not older than 1 year (should be obtained in Almaty, cost about 18\$)
Application form (web link or electronic file)	http://www.kimep.kz/international/how-to-apply-2/
Supporting documents required to be submitted with exchange application	Transcript scan, 2 passport size photo, visa form, passport scan

D. Study Area & Course Registration

Restricted Subjects for International Exchange Students(Not open to exchange students)	None, prerequisites if applicable. <u>All courses are conducted in English.</u>
Website International Program	http://www.kimep.kz/international/about/intstud/intex/
Course Registration Period	1 months before the semester, 7 days add/drop period
Minimum & Maximum Credits per Semester/or quarter	Min - 9 Credits US Type, Max – 18 Credits US Type

E. Tuition(for study abroad students) and other compulsory expense(for exchange and study abroad students)

Tuition fee (per semester(or quarter) /per year)	Waived
Other compulsory fees for International students	Visa, invitation letter, books rental fees

F. Accommodation

Accommodation (Dormitory) arrangement guaranteed?	There are two types of accommodation: on campus dormitory and hotel. Guarantee depends on the agreement between universities
Types and fees	120\$ per month (subject to change)
Housing application deadline	Together with application
Application for accommodation	No application
Sources for housing information in case students need to make their own housing arrangement)	exchange@kimep.kz

G. Others

Airport pick-up service	Yes (information about the flight must be sent to exchange@kimep.kz)
Insurance Requirement	No
Vaccination Requirement	Yes

H. Summer Session (International Summer School)

Summer session related Department/ contact person(e-mail) /related website	Summer School & International Grants Coordinator – Baurzhan Shayakhmetov, iss@kimep.kz .
Summer session period	Arrival July 13-14, Check-out of the participants August 11-13
Admission Deadline	1 July 2013
Admission requirements	<p>There are no admission criteria. It is a students' responsibility to have the academic background and language skills to enable them to benefit from the attendance of classes.</p> <p>In order to apply for the International Summer School 2013, students should send the following documents by e-mail to iss@kimep.kz:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application form • Scanned copy of their passport / identity card • Scanned copy of transcript from the university they are currently enrolled (for graduate students), scanned copy of diploma transcript (for graduate students)
Tuition and other compulsory fees	http://www.kimep.kz/international/tuition-and-fees/
Application form(web link or electronic file)	http://www.kimep.kz/international/files/2011/10/Application_Form_ISS13.doc
Other documents to be submitted	<p>If you to plan in Kazakhstan more than one month period, bring from home country or arrange during the first days in Almaty:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • X-ray not older than 1 year • AIDS certificate not older than 1 year (should be obtained in Almaty, cost about 18\$) • Original transcript from the university you are currently
Housing information	Contact iss@kimep.kz
Credits per session	3 credits
Standard Chart for Credit transfer to home Institution	9units(in quarter system) equal to 6credit(in Semester system)
Possibility(condition) of discount for affiliate (partner) institution	http://www.kimep.kz/international/about/iss/iss_opp/
Class start and end date	July 15 - August 10

KIMEP University in Brief

HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

- KIMEP University is the oldest and largest US-style university in Central Asia.

- KIMEP University was founded by a resolution of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan, Nursultan Nazarbayev, on January 14, 1992. Classes began in August of that year, and KIMEP University first MBA students graduated in June 1994.
- KIMEP University is an independent, not-for-profit coeducational institute serving a multicultural, multinational student body.
- KIMEP University is situated on a modern campus spread in the center of Almaty, Kazakhstan and Central Asia financial capital. Its facilities are among the best of any university in the region.

ACADEMICS

- KIMEP University has a license to offer academic programs from the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Kazakhstan. The last visit of an attestation commission from the Ministry, on April 14-16 2008, resulted in KIMEP University being awarded five-year attestation for all its degree programs.
- KIMEP University currently offers fifteen degree programs, including undergraduate programs in Business Administration, Economics, Political Science and International Relations, Public Administration and Journalism, and masters programs in Business Administration, Economics, Law, and Teaching English as a Foreign Language. KIMEP University also offers a doctoral program in Business Administration. An Executive MBA program and a wide range of certificate programs and short courses are also offered.
- All KIMEP University degree programs are taught in English.
- KIMEP University faculty is made up of both Kazakhstani and expatriate scholars, the vast majority of whom earned their Masters and Doctoral Degrees from European and North American Universities. KIMEP is home to the largest concentration of Western Ph.D. holders of any institution of higher education in the CIS.

STATISTICS

- Many types of financial aid, including scholarships, tuition waivers, and a work-study program are available to students at KIMEP University. In 2009-10 a total of 25% of incoming freshmen received financial aid. Combined with funds from external donors, KIMEP University controls an annual scholarship fund that is worth 4 million USD, making it the largest sponsor of private higher education in Kazakhstan.
- KIMEP University also provides many work opportunities to its students, providing almost 40,000 USD a year to student interns and assistants.
- KIMEP University graduates have the highest employment rates of graduates of any institution in Kazakhstan. On average, about 90% of our graduates are either employed or had continued their education within three months of graduating. KIMEP University graduates earn two to three times the national average wage.
- The top five employers of KIMEP University graduates in 2008 were PriceWaterhouseCoopers, Ernst & Young, KPMG, Deloitte, and Procter & Gamble.
- Current annual enrollment on all programs is about 4,000. Approximately 85% of currently enrolled students are undergraduates, with 15% studying on Masters and Doctoral programs.
- Students at KIMEP University come from 25 different countries, including Kazakhstan, Russia, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, the USA, the UK, Germany, China and Korea.
- KIMEP University international faculty also come from 25 different countries, including the USA, the UK, Canada, Australia, France, Italy, Kazakhstan, and Russia.

Accreditation and License

ATTESTATION IN KAZAKHSTAN

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STATE DIPLOMA

From 2010, every graduate of KIMEP University is issued a State Diploma (in the format required by the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Kazakhstan) in addition to a KIMEP University diploma.

SPECIALIZED MEMBERSHIP

- Department of Public Administration: Member of NASPAA, The National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration
- Bang College of Business (BCB): Member of AACSB International, The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business
- Bang College of Business (BCB): Member of AFBE, Asian Forum on Business Education
- Bang College of Business (BCB): Member of American Chamber of Commerce

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

The Institution currently holds membership in the following organizations:

- The Informational Consortium of Kazakhstani Libraries

PROGRAM ACCREDITATIONS



The American Communication Association board of directors has granted the Department of Media and Communication at KIMEP University conditional accreditation status for a period of one year, until December 13, 2013.

The ACA is a not-for-profit virtual professional association with actual presence in the world of communication scholars and practitioners. ACA is committed to enabling the effective use of new and evolving technologies to facilitate communication instruction, research, and criticism, and to offering a technologically-supportive venue for all who study the ways in which humans communicate. While the Association is based in the United States, it is a virtual organization that welcomes participation from academics and professionals throughout the world.



The Executive Education Center's Executive MBA program has been awarded full, Level 3 international accreditation by the Asian Forum on Business Education (AFBE). This means that the program is recognized by the AFBE with regard to the quality of its mission and overall policies; curriculum; assessment standards; faculty (teaching staff); and other factors including admissions procedures and student support.

The accreditation also reflects the AFBE's belief that the Executive MBA program provides valuable, relevant support for Central Asia's business community. Leading companies look to the Executive MBA program as an important resource in honing the abilities of their top managers. The accreditation received by the Executive MBA program is another milestone in KIMEP University's quest to offer truly world-class education.

Previously, on September 19, 2011, the BSc and MBA programs in the Bang College of Business received Level II (Regional) accreditation from the Asian Forum on Business Education. In February 2012 the Asian Forum of Business Accreditation awarded Level II (Regional) accreditation to the Executive MBA program, which is administered by the Executive Education Center (EEC). This means that BCB and EEC are recognized by AFBE as providers of strong business programs in the Asian region, with a substantial regional reputation and presence in Asia, standing in comparison with institutions in China, Korea, Singapore and Malaysia among others.

The award also confirms that KIMEP University is two to four years from achieving the 'gold standard' of global business school accreditation – AACSB and EQUIS. This is in line with KIMEP University's own strategy to achieve this recognition in the next three years.



The executive MBA program has also been accredited for five years by the Swiss agency FIBAA, the Foundation for International Business Administration accreditation.

The purpose of FIBAA is to promote quality and transparency in education and science by awarding quality certificates to educational programs and institutions in the areas of higher education and continued professional development, according to the organization's website.

FIBAA is internationally networked and works closely within the framework of international bodies to enhance the comparability of quality standards and quality management procedures.



On September 10, 2012 the College of Social Sciences received unconditional accreditation for its market-leading Master in Public Administration and Bachelor of Social Sciences in Public Administration programs from the European Association for Public Administration Accreditation. KIMEP University is the first institution in Central Asia to achieve this recognition. The accreditation is valid for a period of seven years and means that the program is recognized by the EAPAA with regard to the quality of its mission and overall policies; curriculum; assessment standards; faculty (teaching staff); and other factors including admissions procedures and student support.

KIMEP University ranking in 2012

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- among humanities and economics institutions of higher education in Kazakhstan by the independent Kazakh Quality Assurance Agency for Education
- in quality of education by the assessment of HR professionals and managers of large companies, by the independent research agency "Rating.kz"
- among private universities according to the "Fair price" criterion, according to "Rating.kz"

Rankings of undergraduate specializations by the National Accreditation Center of the Ministry of Science and Education of the Republic of Kazakhstan:

Specialization	Ranking
International Relations	1
Accounting and Auditing	1
Public and municipal administration	1
Economics	1
Journalism	2

National and international rating of KIMEP University

Date	Rating Agency	Title of Rating	KIMEP University's Position	
2006, May	National Accreditation Center of the Ministry of Education and Science of RK (NAC of MES of RK)	Rating of RK HEI	1 st ranking in the category of humanitarian-economic universities	
2007, June	NAC of MES of RK	Rating of RK HEI	1 st ranking in the category of humanitarian-economic universities	6 th ranking in the general rating list of 60 leading universities
2008, July	Independent Quality Assurance Agency of RK (IQAA RK)	Ranking of RK HEI	1 st ranking in the category of humanitarian- economic universities	8 th ranking in the general ranking list of 60 leading universities
2008, Oct	NAC of MES of RK	Rating of RK HEI	1 st ranking in the category of humanitarian-economic universities	10 th ranking in the general rating list of 60 leading universities
2009, May	NAC of MES of RK	Rating of RK HEI providing bachelor programs	Under the "Social sciences, economics and business" group of specialties: 1 st rank - "Management" 1 st rank - "Public administration and local government" 2 nd rank - "Political science" 4 th rank - "Journalism" 4 th rank - "Economics"	
2010, Jan	Cybermetrics Lab,a research group belonging to the Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Cientificas (CSIC), Spain	'Webometrics' ranking of world universities' websites: 18,000 worldwide	1 st rank among 69 screened HEI of Kazakhstan	
2010, July	NAC of MES of RK	National rating of RK HEI providing bachelor programs	By specialties: 1 st rank - "Accounting and Audit" 2 nd rank - "Economics" 3 rd rank - "Political science"	
2010, July	IQAA RK	General rating of best HEI of RK	2 nd ranking in the category of humanitarian-economic universities	

2010, July	Cybermetrics Lab, CSIC, Spain	'Webometrics' ranking of world universities' websites: >20,000 worldwide	2 nd rank among 123 screened HEI of Kazakhstan
2011, Jan.	Cybermetrics Lab, CSIC, Spain	'Webometrics' ranking of world universities' websites:>20,000 worldwide	2 nd rank among 116 screened HEIs of Kazakhstan
2011, March	SMBG-Eduniversal, France	'Eduniversal' ranking of world business schools:>5,000 worldwide	Bang College of Business KIMEP ranked: - 115 th among "Good Business Schools with regional influence" - 811 th among Top 1,000 business schools worldwide
2011, July	IQAA RK	General rating of best HEI of RK	2 nd ranking in the category of humanitarian-economic universities
2011, July	NAC of MES of RK	National rating of RK HEIs providing bachelor programs	By specialties: 1 st rank - "Accounting and Audit" 1 st rank – "Economics" 1 st rank - "Public administration and local government"
2012, Jan	Cybermetrics Lab, CSIC, Spain	'Webometrics' ranking of world universities' websites: >20,000 worldwide	3 rd rank among 117 Kazakhstani HEIs
2011, July	Cybermetrics Lab, CSIC, Spain	'Webometrics' ranking of world universities' websites: >20,000 worldwide	2 nd rank among 94 screened HEI of Kazakhstan
2012, June	Independent Research Agency "Рейтинг.kz", Kazakhstan	Quality of education rating among leading universities in RK	1 st rank for quality of education by senior management and HR-specialists of Kazakhstan's largest companies
2012, July	NAC of MES of RK	National rating of RK HEIs providing bachelor programs	By specialties: 1 st rank - "Accounting and Audit" 1 st rank – "Economics" 1 st rank - "Public administration and local government" 1 st rank – "International Relations" 2 nd rank – "Journalism"

2012, July	IQAA RK (Kazakhstani Independent Quality Assurance Agency)	General rating of HEI of RK	1 st rank among humanitarian-economic universities in Kazakhstan
2012, August	Rating Agency “Рейтинг.kz”	Ranking of the largest institutions of higher education of Kazakhstan by “Fair price” criterion	5 th rank in the ranking of the largest universities of Kazakhstan by “Fair price” criterion, 1st place among private universities.
2012, December	Rising Stars MBA Ranking	The Rising Stars MBA Ranking focuses on international business schools that have made significant achievements in recent years and have the greatest potential to enter the elite club of world’s best business schools in the near future.	KIMEP is in the list of the Worldwide Rising Stars MBA Ranking
2013, January	Exclusive.kz	Independent corporate rating of companies of Kazakhstan	KIMEP got the 6th position in the rating of 50 Kazakhstani companies ranked for the best reputation
2013, January	Cybermetrics Lab, a research group belonging to the Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Cientificas (CSIC), Spain	Ranking Web of World Business Schools (measures web presence of 1268 Business Schools & MBA granting institutions worldwide)	1st position among 3 Kazakhstani Business Schools (112th place out of 1268 Business Schools worldwide)

International Relations



INTERNATIONAL FACULTY AND STUDENTS

KIMEP University prides itself on having the largest contingent of international professors in the CIS with Western terminal degrees from such countries as the USA, Canada, Asia, and the EU-member states. KIMEP University welcomes international university fellows who seek affiliation with one of its College departments. Fulbright fellows, independent researchers, and faculty members from partner universities all conduct research in collaboration with current KIMEP faculty members. KIMEP University is also home to over 300 international students from 25 countries that study and contribute to the social and academic life on campus.

INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

KIMEP University has established partnerships with over 100 higher educational institutions in Europe, North America, and East Asia. These collaborations entail student exchange programs, dual programs, joint international summer programs, faculty mobility programs, and joint research opportunities.

EXCHANGE AND OVERSEAS PROGRAMS

KIMEP University aims to offer its students “a window to the rest of the world.” The International Relations Office administers a number of overseas programs, some with scholarships, to study for a semester or more abroad or to participate in Summer Programs, as well as internships offered by different universities worldwide. In AY 2012/2013 the number of outgoing exchange students is around 150 and the number of incoming exchange students is around 75.

KIMEP University organizes customized Summer Programs for groups of international students from different universities to get academic as well as cultural exchange experience in Kazakhstan. KIMEP professors share their knowledge and the latest information, either through their individual research or through our research centers, including the Central Asian Studies Center, the European Studies center, the Central Asian Tax Research Center, the Central Asian Center for Media and Society, etc. Students attend guest lectures by professors from KIMEP University and by professionals from the business community in Kazakhstan.

KIMEP University is a member of consortia that won Erasmus Mundus grants from the European Commission to implement its mobility flows starting from the 2012-13 academic year.

1. Erasmus Mundus Action 1 – Joint Master Program: International Masters in Russian, Central and East European Studies double degree program (IMRCEES)

Consortium of 5 European universities and 6 non-European universities and additional non-educational partners. Students of this program study at the University of Glasgow in Year 1. The Year 2 mobility period is spent at another double degree partner university. Students in Semester 1 follow specialized study tracks in one or more of the following areas: Central Asian Studies; Caucasus/Caspian Sea Basin Studies; Baltic Sea Region Studies; Soviet and Post-Soviet Studies; and Central European Studies. They complete the writing of their dissertation in Semester 2. Graduates will receive the degree of International Masters in Russian, Central and East European Studies from the University of Glasgow and the second part of the double degree depending upon the choice of mobility partner in Year 2. At KIMEP University this is the Master in International Relations with a major in Central Asian Studies.

2. Erasmus Mundus Action 2 Partnership: eASTANA

To provide students and academic staff from Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, and Tajikistan with a broad academic curriculum and a range of unique learning, teaching, and research experience in a European environment, within the eASTANA Project,

through mobility flows to EU partner universities from 1 to 34 months. The eASTANA program is focused on the Engineering, Technology, Business, and Management fields of study.

3. Erasmus Mundus Action 2 Partnership: MARCO XXI

To provide students and academic staff from Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, and Tajikistan with a broad academic curriculum and a range of unique learning, teaching, and research experience in a European environment, within the MARCO XXI Project, through mobility flows to EU partner universities from 1 to 34 months. The MARCO XXI program is focused on the Agricultural Sciences, Architecture, Education and Teacher Training, Business, Engineering and Technology, Medical Sciences, Law, Geography and Geology, and Social Sciences fields of study.

DUAL DEGREE PROGRAMS

KIMEP University has developed several dual degree programs with leading world universities:

- Humboldt University Berlin, Germany: MA Economics (KIMEP) + MA Economics and Management Science (Humboldt)
- University of Glasgow, UK: Master in International Relations (KIMEP) + Master in Russian, Central and Eastern European Studies (Glasgow)
- IESEG School of Management / Catholic University of Lille, France: MBA (KIMEP) + Master International Business (IESEG)
- EM Strasbourg Business School / University of Strasbourg, France: BSc Business & Accounting (KIMEP) + Bachelor in French and European Management (EM Strasbourg)
- Yonsei University, Graduate School of International Studies (GSIS), South Korea: Master in International Relations (KIMEP) + Master in Global Affairs & Policy or Master of Arts in Korean Studies or Master in Global Economy & Strategy (Yonsei); MA Economics (KIMEP) + Master in Global Economy & Strategy (Yonsei)
- Cass Business School / City University London, UK (MBA (KIMEP) + MSc in Finance & Accounting or MSc in Real Estate Finance (Cass)
- IESEG School of Management / Catholic University of Lille, France: BSc in Business & Accounting (KIMEP) + Bachelor in Business Administration (IESEG).

INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL

KIMEP University established an International Summer School (ISS) in the summer of 2010. The aim of this new program is to increase the diversity of the student and faculty community. Visiting international faculty members are invited to teach students from KIMEP University and other universities in Kazakhstan and abroad. Undergraduate and graduate students are welcome. At ISS, the courses are often innovative in content and format. At ISS, students take classes in business, law, or social sciences taught by international faculty coming from different universities in such countries as, for example, the United States, the UK, France, China, or Australia. Students will have classes in English, as well as the opportunity to learn Russian or Kazakh.

OTHER INTERNATIONAL GRANTS

KIMEP University received an international grant from the Norwegian Government in partnership with the University of Agder focused on International Relations and Area Studies. From KIMEP side, this is administered by the Central Asian Studies Center. Also KIMEP University established an International Summer School (ISS) in the summer of 2010. The aim of this new Center. Also KIMEP is part of a Tempus consortium focused on the implementation of the Bologna Accords in Central Asia.