Kazakh-Russian International University

History

Kazakh-Russian International University (KRIU) is one of the first non-state higher education institutions in the Republic of Kazakhstan, founded in 1994. KRIU received its current status and name later. At the beginning, Aktobe branch of International Institute of Management, Business and Law was created together with Ukrainian counterparts.

Four years later in 1998, the Institute was reorganized into Aktobe Institute of Management, Business and Law “NUR” on the basis of the State license of the Republic of Kazakhstan. The grand opening of the main academic building of the Aktobe Institute of Management, Business and Law “NUR” took place in August 1998. The President of Kazakhstan Mr. Nursultan Nazarbayev participated in that event. During the opening ceremony of the main building, President of Kazakhstan proposed to create the first Kazakh-Russian International University in accordance with the Declaration on eternal friendship and cooperation between Kazakhstan and Russia.

In the current academic year, Kazakh-Russian International University celebrates its 18th anniversary since its creation. According to the results of attestation of the Ministry of Education and Science, KRIU confirmed its status of International higher education institution for the third time.

Recognition of KRIU

The University has received wide recognition. Honored guests, who visited the university in different years of its development and growth were Mr. Valery Nikolaenko, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to Kazakhstan, Mr. MacAdam Douglas, Ambassador of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Mr. Yuri Khitrin, Prosecutor General of the Republic of Kazakhstan, academician of National
Academy of Sciences of RK, corresponding member of NAS of RK, Professor Balabekov O.S., honorary chemist of the USSR, Mr. Michail Bocharnikov, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to Kazakhstan, Mr. John Ordway, the United States Ambassador to Kazakhstan, Mr. Kairbek Shoshanovich Suleimenov, the Minister of Internal Affairs of Kazakhstan, Mr. Lee See Chuan, Vice-President of the Chinese oil company, Mr. Abish Kekilbaev, people's writer of the Republic of Kazakhstan. Especially touching and memorable was a visit of Sara Alpysovna Nazarbayeva to the University. The First Lady of the Republic of Kazakhstan, President of the “Sara Alpyskyzy “Bobek” appreciated the material and technical base of the University and responded very warmly about the atmosphere of enthusiasm, creativity and high spirituality, which she felt in the university.

Honorary Professors

Honorary professors of Kazakh-Russian International University are Mr. Nursultan Nazarbaev, the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan, Dr. Georgia Lesh- Laurie, Chancellor of the University of Colorado at Denver, Mr. Yuri Khitrin, Prosecutor General of the Republic of Kazakhstan, Mr. Askarbek Kusainov, President of Academy of Pedagogical Sciences of RK, Mr. Michail Bocharnikov, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to Kazakhstan, Dr. Kutlu Hakimzhanovich Bakirov, Honored Geologist of Kazakhstan, candidate of geological and mineralogical sciences, Dr. Gatot Luhur Budiono, Visiting Professor, the University of Pancasila, Indonesia.

Educational Programs

Currently, there are more than 2,500 students studying in Kazakh-Russian International University.

Kazakh-Russian International University offers full-time and part-time undergraduate/bachelor programs in 16 majors:

Liberal Arts
5B020700 – Translation Studies
Law
5В030100 – Jurisprudence
6М030100 - Jurisprudence

Art
5В042100 – Design

Social Sciences and Business
5В050300 – Psychology
5В050700 – Management
5В050800 – Accounting and Auditing
5В050900 – Finance

Industrial Science and Technology
5В050900 – Automation and Control
5В070300 – Information Systems
5В070400 – Computer Science and Software
5В072000 - Chemical Technology of Inorganic Substances
5В073100 – Life Safety and Environmental Protection
5В072900 – Construction

Services
5В090200 - Tourism
5В090400 – Socio-cultural service

Educational approach

Kazakh-Russian International University is implementing credit technology of education in the educational process, which is based on student–centered learning and involves the development of students’ creative skills by immersing them into the creative practice. Mental development of the individual student plays a big role in the formation of the creative personality of the future specialist. The innovative educational model is based on Neuro-Linguistic Programming (NLP), new progressive trend in psychology. The University’s main partners in the development and implementation of this educational technology are Center of Neuro-Linguistic Programming in Education (Moscow) and the Academy of Pedagogical Sciences of Kazakhstan (Almaty).

In the current academic year Kazakh-Russian International University established a laboratory-simulator to develop students’ thinking systems. The University has also created a Teaching Management Center on credit technology of education based on neuro-linguistic programming.

International Cooperation

KRIU is actively involved in the integration into the International Educational and Scientific Area. The main foreign partner of the University is European University, Montreux, Switzerland. Thanks to the fruitful cooperation since 2004, Kazakhstani students have the opportunity to attend the lectures of foreign visiting professors and get European education according to the three-level model of education: bachelor, master and doctorate.
Kazakh-Russian relations take a special place in activities of Kazakh-Russian International University. Over the years the University’s partners were Moscow Academy of Entrepreneurship, International University in Moscow, Moscow State University of Economics, Statistics and Computer Science, the Karaganda State University named after academician E.A. Buketov, LLP "Batysecoproject", Institute of Linguistics of the Russian Academy of Sciences, State agency "City Management of Education", "Aktobe plant of chromium compounds", National Engineering Academy of Kazakhstan, Academy of Pedagogical Sciences of Kazakhstan" (Republic status), the Department of Defense, the Republican State Enterprise "Kazakhstan Institute of Standardization and Certification," Samarkand Institute of Economics and Service. KRIU established close business relationships with Moscow Financial-Industrial University "Synergy".

The University is a member of the International Academy of Higher Education and CEEMAN. KRIU is currently seeking to expand international cooperation with European Universities on various areas of partnership according to the requirements of the Bologna Process.

**Faculty**

Over 30 instructors are doctors, candidates of sciences and associate professors. KRIU focuses on innovative research and teaching. Faculty is continuously developing and implementing effective new teaching technologies including those that focus on practical teaching.

The University organizes international scientific conferences, scientific forums for young scientists and students, international training seminars for teachers of Aktobe oblast and Kazakhstan. Partner organizations are actively involved in these events: the Foundation "Russian world" (Moscow), scientists of Pushkin State Russian Language Institute (Moscow), Peoples’ Friendship University of Russia, Moscow State University, Moscow Financial – Industrial University “Synergy” (Moscow), the Academy of Pedagogical Sciences of Kazakhstan (Almaty), etc.

**Graduates**

During 18 years KRIU has prepared over six thousand specialists. The level of employment of KRIU graduates exceeds 80%. The University is proud of its graduates; most of them are
working in various financial, legal, scientific, industrial and business companies and organizations. They represent their University in the country and abroad.

We are particularly proud of the graduate of our University Mr. Archimedes Begezhanovich Muhambetov, who is currently the Akim (the Head) of Aktobe region.

Facilities

Taking care about students and teachers and creating for them the best conditions for learning and work have always been important issues for the management of the university. The university created an excellent resource base, classrooms equipped with modern computer and interactive equipment. There are a gym, a swimming pool, a cozy cafeteria, an assembly hall and a disco-bar for students in the university. The university formed a rich library fund on various areas, reference books, scientific journals and works of art. The library plans to create a large virtual library of complete documents in electronic form, accessible to users through the data network. KRIU provides a comfortable hostel for nonresident students.

Research

KRIU is actively involved in research. More than 60 research works of the faculty were published in 2010. In January 2011, Professor Temerkhan Berdimuratov, President of KRIU, Doctor of Business Administration, Doctor of Philosophy in Psychology published a training manual in two books: “Cross-disciplinary model of pedagogical technology of student-centered educational system of effective thinking and behavior of students based on methods of neuro-linguistic programming”. The research work was awarded with the International Award in the field of scientific research “The Name in Science” by International Socrates Committee (Oxford, UK, 2010).

Entrepreneurial University

Kazakh-Russian International University created an Educational scientific and industrial corporation “NUR”, where students have an opportunity to get practice/internship, faculty can develop and realize (introduce) scientific and technical (applied) projects, the university management develops student entrepreneurship and creates new working places. The University has created conditions where students have an opportunity to earn and accumulate their work experience.

Scientific work is one of the major activities of the faculty and students of Kazakh-Russian International University. Faculty and students conduct research in educational, research and industrial firms of the Corporation, which form a powerful unified educational, scientific and industrial base, equipped with the latest equipment.

Educational, scientific and industrial firms of the Educational scientific and industrial corporation “NUR”:

- Scientific and Industrial Firm “Design-Studio, printing office and polygraphy”;
- Training and Industrial Firm "Fresca";
- Travel Agency "Caravan";
- Educational and Industrial Firm "Empire-Yu";
- Educational and Industrial Firm "Economics";
- Cabinet-Laboratory of administration of computer networks;
- Laboratory-simulator for automation of applying NLP skills "Pedagogical Navigator" of Teaching Management Center;
- Cabinet-Laboratory of the Kazakh language;
- Multimedia cabinet-laboratory for translation from foreign languages;
- Cabinet-Laboratory of Chemistry, Ecology and Life Safety Fundamentals;
- Educational and Industrial Firm “Psycho-training”;
- Russian Center;
- Scientific and Methodological Center of Sciences and Humanities.

Achievements

Kazakh-Russian International University was awarded with the International Prize “European Standard” for the development of Russian-Kazakh-European cooperation (Bern, Switzerland, 2004), Gold Medal “For a High Quality in Business Practice” (Geneva, Switzerland, 2004). On September 24, 2007 Kazakh-Russian International University was awarded with the Socrates International Award at Oxford Summit of leaders in business, science and art in Oxford, UK.