



KIMEP TURKIC LANGUAGES SUMMER SCHOOL

Turkic languages: Chaghatay, Kazakh, Uyghur

Other languages: Russian and Chinese

Dates: 25 May 2026 - 6 July 2026 (6 weeks)

- **Registration starts:** 20 April, 2026
- **Registration ends:** 24 May, 2026
- Note: If you require an invitation letter, please contact a.tokhiyeva@kimep.kz.

Tuition:

- 145.090KZT per credit
- One 3 - credit course = 475.270 KZT (approx.900 USD)

Cultural Activities: Tuition fees do not cover cultural activities

Note:

- Please make sure you have an international health insurance that covers Kazakhstan.
- Students must be enrolled as KIMEP University non-degree students to participate.
- Cultural activities are not included.



KIMEP University is Kazakhstan's leading English-language institution and one of the most international universities in Central Asia. Founded in 1992, it has become a vibrant hub of education and culture in Almaty – a picturesque city at the foot of the Tien Shan Mountains.

KIMEP is recognized as "The Best Humanities and Economics University in Kazakhstan" (IQAA) and ranks among the top regional universities for academic excellence and international orientation.

The Summer Language Program offers a unique opportunity to explore the languages and cultures of Central Asia in an international academic setting.

Students can take one three-credit course in Chaghatay, Chinese, Kazakh, Russian, Uyghur, with classes taught in an interactive format.

The program also includes workshops, conversation clubs, excursions, and cultural activities, providing an authentic experience of Kazakhstan's history and contemporary life – a true linguistic and cultural immersion in the heart of Eurasia.

COURSES

CHAG1001 Beginning Chaghatay Language

(3 credits/5 ECTS)

Instructor: Gulnar E. Yulghun, PhD, Harvard University

The course includes a survey of Chaghatay literature as well as a discussion of grammar, the writing system, and lexicographical resources; the class meetings will be devoted to both textbook based instruction and (particularly in the second half of the course) the reading of samples from Chaghatay texts drawn from printed sources and manuscript copies.

CHN1301 Beginning Chinese

(3 credits, 5 ECTS)

Instructor: Aigerim Ustemirova, MA, KIMEP University

The course includes a survey of Chaghatay literature as well as a discussion of grammar, the writing system, and lexicographical resources. Offered in cooperation with the Harvard Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies, class meetings are devoted to both textbook-based instruction and, particularly in the second half of the course, the reading and analysis of selected Chaghatay texts drawn from printed sources and manuscript copies.

KAZ1501 Beginning Kazakh

(3 credits/5 ECTS)

Instructor: Akmral Kurmanaliyeva, CSc, KIMEP University

The course emphasizes all four major communicative skills (speaking, listening, reading, and writing). Students will learn to use simple to

moderately complex sentences for communicating in different contextual settings, holding basic conversations, writing short descriptive passages, forming basic dialogues, and comprehending short texts.

RUS1301 Beginning Russian

(3 credits, 5 ECTS)

Instructor: Irina Matsko, Russian Linguistics Expert, KIMEP University

This Beginning Russian course introduces the basic elements of the Russian language to enable students to engage in simple communication and provides a good foundation for further study. Practice is given in the four skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing. The course focuses on learning basic vocabulary and elementary grammatical structures, as well as writing short compositions and dictations.

UYGH1001 Uyghur Language

(3 credits/5 ECTS)

Instructor: Aynur Abish, PhD, KIMEP University

The course emphasizes all four major communicative skills (speaking, listening, reading, and writing). Students are also introduced to Uyghur culture, history, and religion through readings, screenings, and class discussions. Another aim of the course is to expose students to a variety of topics in Uyghur culture through culture-based language activities so that students not only learn the Uyghur language, but also the culture, history, religion, and sociopolitical backgrounds of its speakers.



Category	Description
Tuition	1 credit = 145.090 KZT per credit. (\approx 280 USD)
Transportation	Taxi ride (depending on distance/time) – 8-15 USD
	Estimated total for 6 weeks (depending on your choice) – 750–1,500 USD
Food	Single university canteen meal – 4-5 USD
Field Work (5 days)	Transportation to villages – 5,000 KZT per group (included in tuition). Meals – 250 USD per person (lunches, included in tuition).

Course Registration

Students must be enrolled as KIMEP University non-degree students to participate in the program.

For registration and further inquiries, please contact:
Admission Office – Ms. Natalya Miltseva, shars@kimep.kz
Scan QR-code below to view the KIMEP Applicant's Page



Accommodation Options

List of housing options near KIMEP University

Name	Address	Cost
LES	193, Nazarbayev Ave, 1st floor	Bedroom (5 m ²) – 12,000 KZT \approx 23 USD
My Hostel	132, Dostyk Ave	Double room (12–18 m ²) – from 16,300 KZT \approx 31 USD
Almaty Salem Hotel	48a, Dostyk Ave	Double room – from 20,000 KZT \approx 38 USD
Novotel	104a, Dostyk Ave	Room – from 15,000 KZT \approx 29 USD
Dream Hotel	Arman Residence, 1, Lugansky St., Bld 4	Room – from 70,000 KZT \approx 135 USD
Alma	4a, Koshkunov St.	Room – from 25,000 KZT \approx 48 USD
The Dostyk Hotel	36, Kurmangazy St.	Room – from 25,000 KZT \approx 48 USD
City Hostel	94a, Karmysov St.	Room – from 58,000 KZT \approx 112 USD
888	14, Lugansky St.	Single room – from 12,000 KZT \approx 23 USD
Turmys	82, Karmysov St.	Multiple occupancy room – from 3,000 KZT \approx 6 USD

KIMEP University Dormitory

KIMEP University offers on-campus accommodation for students seeking housing near campus. Accommodation fee: 137,980 KZT \approx 265 USD (100% prepayment required).

Note: Scan QR-code below to view the Accommodation for students

For further information, please contact Dorm Director:
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