

ADMISSION TO UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS FOR THE CITIZENS OF KAZAKHSTAN (FOR GRADUATES FROM VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS)

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KIMEP University accepts documents required for admission in Russian, Kazakh and English, or – with the notarized translation into the listed languages.

KIMEP undertakes admission to fast-track study programs in the specializations stated below in accordance with the Order # 134 of the Minister of Education and Science of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of April 1, 2019 "On Determining the Methodological Recommendations of Compliance of Related Groups of Academic Programs of Higher Education and Specializations of Vocational Education and Training and Post-Secondary Education".

KIMEP University awards credits to persons having vocational education and training or post-secondary education and applying to related areas of training in accordance with the table below provided the grades received are 4 or 5 in a 5-grade scale:

		Number of academic hours
	KIMEP 3-credit course	45 academic hours
	KIMEP 2-credit course	30 academic hours
	Course title in vocational high school	Course title in KIMEP University
General Education Program		
All colleges	History of Kazakhstan (State Exam)	History of Kazakhstan (State Exam)
	Computer Science	Information and Communication Technologies
	Kazakh language	Pre-Intermediate Kazakh
	Kazakh language	Intermediate Kazakh
	Basics of Philosophy	Introduction to Philosophy / Principles of Ethics
	Physical Education	Physical Education
Required main courses		
BCB/CSS	Mathematics	Mathematics for Business and Economics
	Professional Kazakh/Russian Language	Professional Kazakh Language / Professional Russian Language
CSS	Basics of Political Science or Sociology	Fundamentals of Political Science
	Basics of Economics	Introduction to Economics
	Basics of Political Science or Sociology	Fundamentals of Sociology
CHE	Professional Kazakh/Russian Language	Professional Kazakh Language / Professional Russian Language

Important:

- Organization of Vocational Education and Training or Post-Secondary Education is to have a state license for a certain educational activity and undergo a state attestation

STEP 1. APPLY ON-LINE

The applicant portal is available 24/7, 365 days a year.

1. Fill in the online application at the applicants portal: <https://www.kimep.kz/ext/application/online/en-US/>
2. Upload the scanned copy of the State ID card or your passport
3. If available, upload valid copies of IELTS/TOEFL/Duolingo certificates.
4. Digital photo

Uploading your digital photo into the "Photo" field is very important, because all KIMEP units will use this picture of yours for your personal identification. The digital photo with a resolution of 300 ppi (pixels per inch) with a size of no less than 8 MP (Megapixels) in JPEG format with low compression (high quality).

Please, refer to the following contacts: +7 727 2704316, Mobile/WhatsApp: +77079704316, E-mail: finaid@kimep.kz on issues of scholarships and financial aid.

STEP 2. UPLOAD COPIES OF MAIN DOCUMENTS

The documents should be submitted right after receiving their appropriate authentic documents

1. The vocational high school diploma copy with its supplement
2. A screenshot with UNT scores and the certificate ITC number should be uploaded and inserted into the Applicant's Portal in the UNT section (the UNT passing scores for admission purposes are set by the Ministry of Education and Science of the RK) in the following cases:
 - If the applicant is not applying to the fast-track program
 - If the applicant is applying to the University's internal scholarships competition

The list of specializations with indication of elective and specialized courses of the Unified National Test

Code	Specialization title	General education courses	Specialized courses	Passing score
B040	International relations	History of Kazakhstan	Fundamentals of Social and Humanitarian Sciences	At least 25 in total and at least 5 for each subject
B049	Jurisprudence	Basics of the state and law theory	Civil Law of the RK	
B049	International Law	Basics of the state and law theory	Civil Law of the RK	
B042	Journalism	Kazakh / Russian Language	Creative Exam	
B046	Economics	Finance and Credit	Organizational Finance	
B044	Management	Basics of Economics	Management	
B045	Accounting and audit	Finance and Credit	Organizational Economics	

B046	Finance	Finance and Credit	Organizational Finance	At least 25 in total and at least 5 for each subject
B044	Public and Municipal Administration	Basics of Economic Theory	Management	
B047	Marketing	Basics of Economics	Marketing	
B057	Information Systems	Mathematics	Basics of Algorithmization and Programming	
B036	Translation / Interpretation	Kazakh / Russian Language	Foreign Language (English, German, French)	
B036	Cognitive Sciences	Kazakh / Russian Language	Foreign Language (English, German, French)	
B040	Political Science	History of Kazakhstan	Fundamentals of Social and Humanitarian Sciences	
B040	Psychology	History of Kazakhstan	Fundamentals of Psychology	At least 35 in total and at least 5 for each subject
B018	Foreign language: two foreign languages (English)	Basics of Pedagogy and Psychology	English Language	

STEP 3. SUBMIT THE VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA WITH A SUPPLEMENT (ORIGINAL) TO KIMEP ADMISSIONS OFFICE – THE DOCUMENT IS BE SUBMITTED UPON READINESS.

*Educational documents issued by foreign educational institutions must have a notarized translation into Kazakh or Russian and undergo the nostrification/recognition process during the first semester of study.

STEP 4. SUBMIT AUTHENTIC MEDICAL DOCUMENTS TO KIMEP MEDICAL CENTER

- Medical Certificate – Form # φ-075/y for Kazakhstani students or its equivalent for foreign students. KIMEP Medical Center may request a notarized translation of the medical certificate equivalent therefore the international students are recommended to undergo a medical examination upon arrival to Almaty.
- The original chest X-ray shot signed and stamped by two doctors (the expiry date of the document should not exceed 6 months).
- Copy of the vaccination record (φ-065/y)

Medical Center: Natalya Yasa, the Head Doctor, Tel: +7 (727) 237 48 05 ext. 1087, Email: n.yasa@kimep.kz

Authentic documents may be sent by courier service: 050010, Republic of Kazakhstan, Almaty, Abai Avenue 4, offices 103, 103A, 107 – Admissions Office

STEP 5. IDENTIFY YOUR ENGLISH PROFICIENCY LEVEL

Undergraduate English Proficiency Requirements

Level	CEFR	IELTS Academic	TOEFL iBT*	Duolingo	PTE Academic	Cambridge FCE (B2 First)	LanguageCert Academic
Academic English	B2	5.5 (≥5.0 in each section)	51-66 (Reading 12-15; Listening 12-15; Speaking 17-18; Writing 14-18)	95+ (≥90 in each section)	39+	160+	60
UF A and Provisional A	B1 +	5.0 (≥4.5 in each section)	37-50 (Reading 8-11; Listening 8-11; Speaking 14-16; Writing 9-13)	94 (≥80 in each section)	31-38	159	50
UF B and Provisional B	B1 low	4.5 (≥4.0 each)	26-36 (Reading 4-7; Listening 3-7; Speaking 11-13; Writing 4-8)	60-94 (≥75 in each section)	24-30	140-158	40
UF C and Provisional C	A2	4.0 (≥3.5 each)	14-25 (Reading 1-3; Listening 0-2; Speaking 7-10; Writing 1-3)	10-59	10-23	n/a	n/a

TOEFL iBT* - Beginning January 21, 2026, TOEFL iBT score reports will feature a new 1 – 6 scale. The corresponding values will be updated as soon as new TOEFL iBT reporting format is officially launched.

Sources:

TOEFL iBT: <https://www.ets.org/toefl/test-takers/ibt/scores/understand-scores.html>

Duolingo: <https://englishtest.duolingo.com/scores>

PTE Academic: <https://www.pearsonpte.com/pte-academic/scoring>

Cambridge FCE (B2 First): <https://www.cambridgeenglish.org/exams-and-tests/cambridge-english-scale/>

LanguageCert Academic: <https://www.languagecert.org/en>

STEP 6: LEARN ABOUT THE ADMISSION DECISION AND SIGN THE CONTRACT FOR EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

1. Since e-mailing is an official channel of communication of KIMEP University with the applicants your e-mail indicated in the online application form should be valid at the moment of being admitted as a student.
2. Notification on admission to KIMEP University will be sent to your e-mail as well as placed at the applicants' portal in «Acceptance Package» section.
3. The Contract for Educational Services will also be placed at your applicant's portal in «Acceptance Package» section. Two printed out and signed copies of the Contract should be submitted to the Admissions Office before the end of the period of registration for courses.

STEP 7: REGISTRATION FOR COURSES

For questions regarding class scheduling, tuition calculation, and course registration, please contact the Academic Advising Center:

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