



ANNUAL CENTRAL ASIA SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

DKU invites all interested parties to participate in our annual program exploring the sustainable development of Central Asia. Our program will not only deepen your knowledge of Central Asia, but also allow you to explore the local colorful culture and make new friends.

During the program participants learn the fundamentals of sustainability with a Central Asia regional focus on the economic, social, and ecological aspects of sustainable development. Specific modules explore sectors in greater detail, such as resource management, policy, and energy. Participants learn examples from Central Asia to enhance the course in conjunction with best practices and examples from around the world.

Advanced participants have the opportunity to complete an internship or can choose to complete a research project in collaboration with local experts. Both options will receive support from the DKU scientific staff to monitor the work and provide local assistance.

The scientific activities of the DKU are aimed at contributing to the sustainable development of Kazakhstan and the Central Asian region. A distinctive feature of DKU is the close interweaving of research and practice-oriented learning. The university is actively pursuing the expansion of basic and applied research on the basis of research institutes.

COURSES TITLES:

- Regional Logistics
- Economic Integration Processes of Central Asia
- Water Resource Management
- Central Asia as a Regional Security Complex
- Sustainable Energy
- Economics of Natural Resource Management

PROGRAM OPTIONS

Track 1: COURSES: participants complete all courses offered that term for credit (30 ECTS).

Track 2: INTERNSHIP: participants undertake an internship at DKU or a local institution.

Track 3: APPLIED RESEARCH: participants complete an applied research project in coordination with DKU faculty and staff.

You have the opportunity to complete an internship or do your research at the DKU Institutes:

- [DKU's Natural Resources Institute](#) hosts a Chair on Integrated Water Resources Management in Central Asia and supports researchers in the field of Natural Sciences.
- [LogCentre](#) aims to combine the areas of research, education, professional development and practice in the field of production, transport and warehouse logistics.
- [The Centre for Research & Graduate Education](#) promotes research, especially in the social sciences and contributes to the development and maintenance of academic cooperation with other academic institutions in the Central Asian region and beyond.

DKU can also assist in establishing contacts with Kazakh or Central Asian partners.

TRAINING PERIOD

Winter semester:

September 1st – December 31st

Summer semester:

February 1st – May 31st

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS:

- **31st of December** for the summer semester
- **30th of June** for the winter semester.

Participants have an opportunity to receive ECTS.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- short motivation letter
- CV
- copy of passport
- copy of transcript
- proof of enrollment at university

DKU SERVICES

- Technical support
- Working space for interns and researchers
- Visa support

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION: ENGLISH

COSTS: PARTICIPATION IS FREE OF CHARGE



ABOUT DKU

The Kazakh-German University (DKU) was founded in 1999 with the aim of training students according to the German standard. In 2007 an agreement was signed between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Germany and the Ministry of Education and Science of Kazakhstan, which gives an international status and provides a legal basis for intensive support for the university by both states.

DKU cooperates with many international donors and partner institutions such as: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Government of Germany, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), German International Corporation (GIZ), World Bank, UNESCO, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE), Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), United States Agency for International Development (USAID), Swiss Development and Cooperation and Regional Environmental Center in Central Asia (CAREC).

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