

VISA

There are 2 categories of countries the international students come from:

- I. International students from countries with visa regime to Kazakhstan;
- **II.** International students from countries with visa free regime to Kazakhstan (citizens of Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, and Russia).

Who can apply for a student visa: Degree, non-degree, and exchange students admitted to KIMEP U

I. Visa regime countries

International students need to:

- 1. Get an official order on admission;
- 2. Send information via the most convenient tool:
- a) filling in the online form https://www2.kimep.kz/anon/hr/visaform
- b) sending the following information by email at visa@kimep.kz or WhatsApp +77013600216, +77012233358
- a quality passport photo or scan (page with photo in PDF format);
- · residence address in your residence country;
- · email and mobile phone;
- City of the Kazakhstan embassy/consulate in your residence country/country of stay, where the visa should be issued;
- · date of arrival.
- 3. Receive a scan of a Letter with the Visa Invitation Number by email;
- **4.** Check procedures, prepare the required documents, and apply for a Student Visa at the Kazakhstan embassy/consulate in the city where the visa should be issued.

Basic required documents to apply for the student visa (you might be asked to submit additional documents):

- Copy of the Letter with the Visa Invitation Number from KIMEP University
- 1 passport size photo
- · Passport original
- Visa fee
- · Completed Visa application
- 5. After the visa is granted, write an e-mail to visa@kimep.kz in advance to inform about the date of entry into the Republic of Kazakhstan.

IMPORTANT! Changes due to COVID-19

Visa will be issued only upon provision of the medical certificate on absence of the coronavirus infection of the applicant. The medical certificate is valid during 48 hours.

II. Visa free regime countries

Students - citizens of Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, and Russia do not need the Student Visa to Kazakhstan. They cross the border of Kazakhstan and get a stamp in the passport. Such students must visit the KIMEP Visa Manager in the office 111/Dostyk bld. within 2 days upon arrival to be registered at the migration body in Almaty.

PASSPORT REGISTRATION UPON ARRIVAL

I. International students arrived with visa

- After arrival to Almaty a student will get a stamp in the passport. Send a message to WhatsApp number of Visa Manager at +77013600216 or send an email to visa@kimep.kz with information - your Full name, date of entry, accommodation address, send a photo of your passport with a stamp about crossing the border. Get a reply from the Visa Manager. After the Visa Manager informs the migration body about the student's arrival, the migration registration is done. Students must repeat this procedure every time they arrive to Kazakhstan.
- Visit the Visa Manager before 1st October to get an invoice for the Visa Invitation Number. Pay in the Cashier Office 118/Dostyk. Return the receipt to the Visa Manager.
- Visa Invitation costs from 1,539 KZT (1,389 KZT + bank commission 150 KZT)

II. Extension of the Visa

Students on academic leave, graduated students cannot extend the visa. They may get an exit visa for 30 days in extra case.

If the visa expires before the intended date of departure, the student needs to apply and pay fee for a visa extension not less than 30 days prior to the expiration date. Please plan your stay dates carefully in order not to spend money more than necessary. Refer to the Visa Manager to apply for:

- Multi entry visa extension 83 340 KZT+ bank commission
- One entry visa extension 19 446 KZT+ bank commission
- Exit visa 1389 KZT + bank commission (in case a student wants to leave earlier than given visa)

Addresses of the nearest banks to pay the fee:

20 Kurmangazy street, crossroad Pushkina st. (KAZPOST №21);

100 Kurmangazy street, crossroad Masanchi st. (KAZPOST №22);

SBERBANK -Samal microdistrict, 105 Zholdasbekova street, crossroad Mendikulova st.;

SBERBANK - 125 Karasay batyra street, crossroad Muratbayev st.

III. International students arrived without visa

- · Registration in migration body is done for one academic year.
- After arrival to Almaty you will get a stamp in the passport. Send a message to WhatsApp number of Visa Manager at +7 7013600216 or send an email to visa@kimep.kz with information - your Full name, date of entry, accommodation address, send a photo of your passport with a stamp about crossing the border. Get a reply from the Visa Manager. The Visa Manager informs the migration body about your arrival.
- Visit the Visa Manager within 2 calendar days after arrival to Kazakhstan and submit:
 - 1. Passport (original) will be handed on for the registration for a few days;
 - 2. Accommodation address (certificate from the dormitory or an agreement with the landlord (if available)

Students must repeat this procedure every time they cross the border to Kazakhstan.

CHANGE OF RESIDENCE ADDRESS

If international students changes residence address, they have to provide with information on new residence addresses KIMEP Visa Manager within 2 calendar days.

TRAVELLING OUTSIDE OF KAZAKHSTAN

Students can easily go outside Kazakhstan if they have the multiple entry visa. It is a student's responsibility to receive a visa to a respective country of interest. Students must notify the Visa Manager and IO Coordinator 10 days prior to departure.

Passport loss

Before arrival a student should get to know the contact data of home country's embassy in Kazakhstan. Upon arrival a student need to get the home country Consular registration in Kazakhstan. In case of the loss of passport, students shall immediately inform Visa Manager at KIMEP and Consulate/ Embassy. We recommend to always have a copy of passport and copies of other important documents with you, as well as contacts of the assigned Buddy.

NOTE: The violation of the visa regime in Kazakhstan will result in the fine for student and inviting organization as well. The inviting organization is blacklisted for one calendar year, i.e. loses the right to invite foreign citizens to the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan.