

STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM WITH NAZARBAYEV UNIVERSITY
GRADUATE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY for
FALL 2020 SEMESTER is OPEN!



Nazarbayev University Graduate School of Public Policy welcomes any candidates who are interested in and are eligible for our Student Exchange Program!

About Nazarbayev University

Nazarbayev University (NU) is a modern and rapidly developing university located in the heart of Eurasia – Nur-Sultan city (formerly Astana), the capital of the Republic of Kazakhstan. Nazarbayev University was founded by the First President of the Republic of Kazakhstan Nursultan Nazarbayev.

Core features of Nazarbayev University include: academic freedom and institutional autonomy; predominantly internationally recruited faculty, English as the language of instruction and research; entirely merit-based admission and progression system; and integrated teaching and research starting at the undergraduate level.

Our diverse faculty hails from 56 countries. Top 10 countries of origin are the USA, UK, Canada, Greece, Italy, South Korea, Russia, Australia, Turkey, and India.

Students are the top priority for NU. The University strives to attract the most talented students. Merit-based admission and progression policies, academic integrity, and critical thinking skills have ensured the success of the graduates.

About Nazarbayev University Graduate School of Public Policy (NU GSPP)

NU GSPP aims to become the leading public policy school in Kazakhstan and the region and strives to raise the standards of governance through professional public policy education and research.

Since its launch in 2012, GSPP has maintained a strong strategic partnership with the National University of Singapore's (NUS) Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy. According to the 2019 QS World Rankings, NUS was ranked 11th in the world and 1st in Asia.

In 2019 NU GSPP's Master in Public Administration and Master in Public Policy programs were accredited by the European Association for Public Administration Accreditation (EAPAA).

GSPP's degree programs include the Master in Public Policy, Master in Public Administration, and the PhD in Public Policy.

5 reasons to spend a semester at the NU GSPP

1) Cutting edge curriculum with focus on Central Asian issues

Our curriculum is designed and developed in collaboration with the LKY School and retains internationally recognized features of public policy degree programs. Study of complex Kazakhstani and Central Asian public policy/administration issues such as pension reform, health system, anti-corruption, energy, defense, security, water deficiency as well as analysis of relevant case studies is the distinctive feature of our curriculum.

2) World-class faculty

Our faculty comprises international academics and practitioners recognized for their expertise in policy analysis and public management. The diverse research areas and expertise of our faculty allow the application of interdisciplinary approach to problem solving.

With our international faculty you will experience immersion into an international environment and get equipped with knowledge and skills crucial for effective public policy analysis, design and management.

In addition, LKY SPP professors visit NU to teach some elective courses each semester.

3) Valuable peer network

GSPP selects talented students with diverse backgrounds. Students come from the public, private and non-profit sectors and at different levels of career development. This enhances learning from each other and helps establish enduring networks of professional and personal contacts especially in the Central Asian region.

4) Small-class size

The small class size facilitates dynamic interaction between professors and students, and engenders lively debate among students.

5) Speaker series of distinguished practitioners

The guest speakers include politicians, entrepreneurs, senior diplomats, internationally renowned leaders, acclaimed authors and scholars. This enables students to complement their formal learning with the opportunity to interact with leaders and establish their own networks.

Exchange Program Overview

NU GSPP Degree programs	Master in Public Policy (MPP) https://gspp.nu.edu.kz/en/programs/master-programs/master-in-public-policy/ Master in Public Administration (MPA) https://gspp.nu.edu.kz/en/programs/master-programs/master-in-public-administration/
Study period	Fall semester: August – December 2020
General selection criteria:	<p>Potential Exchange student should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be registered as a full time student of the Home Institution; - Have successfully completed at least one semester of study at the Home Institution; - Be a student of good academic and disciplinary standing at the Home Institution and with a CGPA score of 3.0 or above; - Be proficient in English. Candidates must submit IELTS/TOEFL* certificate or a confirmation that the academic program at Home Institution is conducted in English (or previous degree was received in English); - Show the aptitude, motivation and maturity to thrive in the environment at the Host Institution (NU GSPP); - Have sufficient funds for all fees and personal expenses for the duration of the study at the Host Institution (NU GSPP). <p><i>*IELTS overall score 6.5 with not less than 6.0 in each section or TOEFL equivalent as posted at ets.org website</i></p>
Required documents	<p>The exchange student's nomination should be accompanied by the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CV - One Recommendation Letter from a member of student's faculty - Academic Transcript - Statement of purpose – may be submitted (up to 1 page)
Application procedure	<p>Students interested in applying for NU GSPP Exchange Program for Fall 2020 Semester should submit the list of the required documents (please see above) to their Home Institution (Student Exchange Office/Coordinator) for screening and pre-selection. Home institution will then nominate students for the Exchange Program. NU GSPP will evaluate the nominated exchange students and determine their acceptability for admission as exchange students.</p> <p><i>Please NOTE: Interviews may be conducted by NU GSPP Committee with potential candidates.</i></p>
Application deadline	<p>Nominations from Home Institutions should be sent via email to mkuvanysheva@nu.edu.kz by February 10, 2020*</p> <p><i>*Late submissions might also be considered by NU GSPP</i></p>
Selection deadline:	Exchange students will be selected and informed on further procedures within 2 weeks after the nomination.
Tuition fees and other expenses	<p>The requirement to pay tuition fees is waived by Host Institution (NU GSPP). Exchange students continue to pay tuition fees to their Home Institution.</p> <p>Transportation, accommodation, meals, health insurance, and other costs shall be borne by the exchange student.</p>
Accommodation	<p>Double and single occupancy rooms are available on NU campus.</p> <p>Single occupancy rooms are limited and depend on availability (early booking is preferred)</p>

Getting to know NU GSPP:

<https://gspp.nu.edu.kz>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uOwuPRBTj2Q>

Attachments:

Preliminary NU GSPP Academic Calendar for 2020-2021 AY

NU Brochure

Handbook for International Students

Campus Map

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