

PhD Support Programme
The EU, Central Asia and the Caucasus in the International System



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Work experience

Part-time Research Assistant (09/2014 – present)

Nazarbayev University Graduate School of Education (Astana/Kazakhstan)

- ▶ Assist in the field trips (interviews, focus groups);
- ▶ Review of literature;
- ▶ Translation and transcription;
- ▶ Data analysis and coding;

Full-time Chief Manager (01/2014 – 09/2014)

Almaty Management University (Almaty/Kazakhstan)

Department for International Development

- ▶ Development of Almaty Management University's (AlmaU) branch offices in China and Mongolia;
- ▶ Expansion of AlmaU collaboration with higher education institutions of China;
- ▶ Co-development of AlmaU Strategy of Internationalization.

Full-time Chief Manager (09/2011 – 01/2014)

Al-Farabi Kazakh National University (Almaty/Kazakhstan)

International Cooperation Department

- ▶ Development of international summer and exchange programs;
- ▶ Coordination of Erasmus Mundus, HUSTEP, and Chinese scholarship programs;
- ▶ International Cooperation Department presence on social media;
- ▶ Administrative and logistic support during international conferences and workshops;
- ▶ Assistance with oral and written translation.

Education

Doctoral studies, Nazarbayev University, Kazakhstan (09/2014 - present)

- ▶ Education
- ▶ Title of the doctoral thesis: "Faculty members and internationalization of higher education in Kazakhstan: exploring perceptions, motivations and engagement"

Master's Degree, Al-Farabi Kazakh National University (09/2011 – 07/2013)

- ▶ Political Science

Bachelor Degree, Tsinghua University (09/2006 – 07/2011)

- ▶ English Language

Language skills

- ▶ Kazakh (native)
- ▶ Russian (fluent)
- ▶ English (excellent)
- ▶ Chinese (good)
- ▶ Turkish (basic)

Fellowships and awards

- ▶ Fellow of the EUCACIS PhD Support Programme since October 2016;
- ▶ Public Policy Initiative fellowship by the Soros Foundation-Kazakhstan, March 2016 - present.