




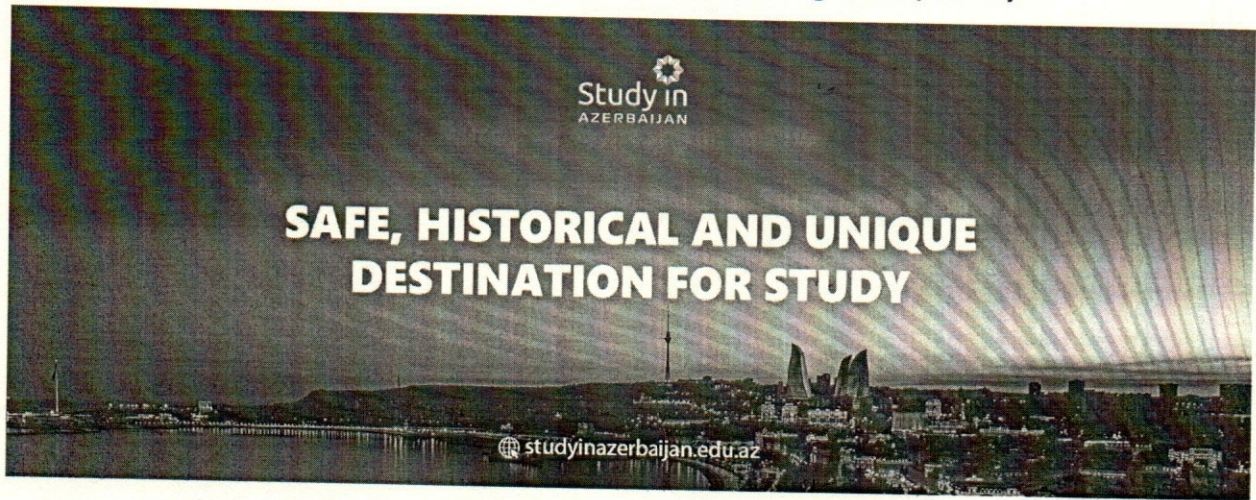
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Study in
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**Study in Azerbaijan within
the Intergovernmental Scholarship Programs ("ISPs")**



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Allocation Process for Candidates Applying under the Intergovernmental Scholarship Programs (ISPs)

1. General information

Education for foreign citizens is carried out in accordance with international agreements. Foreign students can pursue higher education in the Republic of Azerbaijan at the **bachelor's, master's, and doctoral levels**, as well as in **basic medical education and residency programs**.

The **academic year** in Azerbaijan begins on **September 15**. For students who need to improve their language skills or academic preparation, **preparatory courses** are available. These courses usually last from **six months to one year**, depending on the university's requirements.

To take part in the ISPs, candidates are nominated to the Republic of Azerbaijan through **diplomatic channels** by the relevant authorities in their home countries (such as the Ministry of Education or the Ministry of Foreign Affairs).

All admissions to higher education institutions in Azerbaijan are processed via the official platform **portal.edu.az**.

For more information, please visit **studyinazerbaijan.edu.az**.

Each university reviews applicants' **academic background** and **language proficiency** to ensure they meet the program requirements. Once the criteria are met, admission is officially confirmed. Please note that admission requirements may vary between universities.

2. Application process

Admission of foreign citizens to higher education institutions in Azerbaijan is conducted through the **centralized e-application service** — *SIA/CAS: Study in Azerbaijan Centralised E-Application Service* — available on the **portal.edu.az** platform.

Applicants applying within the **International Scholarship Programs (ISPs)** must also submit their applications through this system by selecting the admission category **“Bilateral Agreements (HTP).”**

Admissions under this framework are carried out within a **designated quota**. Therefore, registration in the system requires a **special nomination code**. These registration codes are provided to the **competent authorities** of each participating country for applicants whose candidacies have been approved for submission to the Azerbaijani side.

Competent authorities are kindly requested to contact the **State Agency for Science and Higher Education** at icd@eatda.edu.az to obtain the respective codes.

3. Financing

Within the ISPs, the education of foreign students is provided on a **budgetary basis**, in accordance with the terms of the relevant agreements. Under these agreements, students are **exempt from tuition fees and medical insurance payments**.

Additionally, in line with the legislation of the host country, students receive a **monthly scholarship** to support their living expenses. All related educational and scholarship costs are **covered by the host country**, while **international travel expenses** are borne either by the **sending country** or by the **students themselves**.

4. Selection of Candidates

Applicants nominated within the ISPs must meet the following criteria:

Choice of Universities: Candidates may select up to **three universities** and corresponding specialties in line with their academic and professional interests.

Academic Performance: The academic results from previous studies (secondary education, bachelor's, basic medical, master's, or residency programs) must be **at least 51%** according to the respective grading system.

Language Proficiency: Candidates must demonstrate **proficiency in the language of instruction** for their chosen program. Applicants who do not meet the required level of language or subject knowledge may be enrolled in **preparatory courses** focused on language development.

Achievements: Local and international academic or professional achievements, if available, are considered an advantage.

English-Language Programs

Applicants who wish to study in English are **exempt from language proficiency tests** if they meet one of the following minimum international exam scores:

- **Bachelor's degree:** IELTS 5.0 or TOEFL 40
- **Postgraduate degrees:** IELTS 5.5 or TOEFL 50

Exemptions from Language Testing

The following applicants are **exempt from language testing**, provided that the **language of instruction remains unchanged**:

- Those who have studied in educational institutions of the **Republic of Azerbaijan** and are applying for the **next level of study**;
- Graduates of **foreign high schools or higher education institutions** (recognized under their national legislation) who completed their previous level of education **in the same language** as the intended study program in Azerbaijan.

5. Required Documents:

Applicants must prepare and submit the following documents:

- **Completed Application Form**
- **Diplomas and Transcripts** from previous high school or higher education studies
- **Copy of Passport** (valid for the duration of the study period)
- **Medical Certificate** confirming general health status, including **HIV/AIDS** and **Hepatitis B and C** test results
- **Curriculum Vitae (CV) or Resume**
- **Motivation Letter** outlining academic interests and reasons for applying
- **Proof of Language Proficiency** in the language of instruction
 - For programs taught in **English**:
 - **Undergraduate programs**: IELTS 5.0 or TOEFL 40
 - **Postgraduate programs**: IELTS 5.5 or TOEFL 50

Note: Admission to higher education institutions in the Republic of Azerbaijan is conducted through the portal.edu.az platform.

Additional Requirement:

Applicants wishing to study at a **post-bachelor (graduate) program** must submit the **original diploma and diploma supplement** (or annex) from their previous degree.

6. List of Offered Universities in Azerbaijan

Below is a list of higher education institutions in the Republic of Azerbaijan that participate in international education programs. For more details about each university and available study programs, please visit their official websites.

1. ADA University — www.ada.edu.az
2. Azerbaijan State Academy of Fine Arts — www.adra.edu.az
3. Azerbaijan Medical University — www.amu.edu.az
4. Azerbaijan National Conservatory — www.conservatory.edu.az
5. Azerbaijan State Agricultural University — www.adau.edu.az
6. Azerbaijan State Oil and Industry University — www.asoiu.edu.az
7. Azerbaijan State Pedagogical University — www.adpu.edu.az
8. Azerbaijan State University of Culture and Arts — www.admiu.edu.az
9. Azerbaijan State University of Economics (UNEC) — www.unec.edu.az
10. Azerbaijan Technical University — www.aztu.edu.az
11. Azerbaijan University of Architecture and Construction — www.azmiu.edu.az
12. Azerbaijan University of Languages — www.adu.edu.az
13. Azerbaijan University of Tourism and Management — www.atmu.edu.az
14. Baku Engineering University — www.beu.edu.az
15. Baku Music Academy named after Uzeyir Hajibeyov —
www.musicacademy.edu.az
16. Baku Slavic University — www.bsu-uni.edu.az
17. Baku State University — www.bsu.edu.az
18. Baku Higher Oil School — www.bhos.edu.az
19. Khazar University — www.khazar.org
20. Karabakh University — www.karabakh.edu.az
21. Nakhchivan State University — www.ndu.edu.az

7. Contact Information

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