

Academy of Public Administration under the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan

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Master's Program «7M04118 - Regional Development1»

Purpose and objectives of the program:

Aim: training of professional civil servants dealing with regional development issues, able to offer solutions for effective management of socio-economic processes in the region, apply modern methods and technologies for managing regional projects, territorial development programs, etc.

Objectives of the program:

- to teach the basics of planning, forecasting and managing socio-economic processes in the regions;
- to develop competencies and provide students with technologies for developing behavioral strategies for making informed decisions in the field of regional sustainable development management.

Benefits of the program:

- training of civil servants in the field of regional development;
- competence-based approach to teaching, practice-and result-oriented learning through solving specific situations using interactive teaching methods;
- an interdisciplinary approach that provides an opportunity to gain knowledge and skills in related fields;
- convenient modular format, using distance learning technologies, comfortable learning rate;
- possibility of practical training and internships in government bodies of Kazakhstan and abroad;
- implementation of a master's project focused on solving current problems of regional economic development;
- trilingual education: Kazakh, Russian, and English;
- teacher mentoring and supervision by Academies;
- involvement of leading lecturers and practitioners; "Visiting Professors" and high-level experts;
- development of professional and expert networking, interaction with government officials from various ministries and departments, peer learning.

Expected learning outcomes:

- *Initiative:* learns best practices in the field of regional development. Based on the studied experience, it develops new approaches and solutions aimed at improving the region's competitiveness;
- *Integrity:* Complies with established ethical norms and standards and responds to their violations. Shows impartiality, fairness, unselfishness, as well as respect for the honor and dignity of the individual. Refrains from discussing the personal and professional qualities of colleagues who discredit their honor and dignity. Shows intolerance to corruption;

- *Cooperation and interaction*: can build relationships with colleagues, other government agencies, and organizations to achieve the strategic goals of the government agency. Shares experience and knowledge with colleagues to perform work together;

- *Decision making*: Analyzes quantitative, verbal, and other information. When making decisions, it relies on an analysis of risks and benefits. Plans to achieve results aimed at the sustainable development of the region and strengthening interregional relations;

- *Strategic thinking*: able to plan, predict and make long-term decisions for the sustainable development of the region. Develops ways to implement the strategic goal of the state agency, considering the local context and regional specifics;

- *Focus on the service consumer and informing them* use effective ways to inform service recipients, and provides up-to-date information to the consumer in an accessible and respectful manner. Analyzes the level of satisfaction with the quality of services provided to the local population. Makes suggestions for improving the quality of services provided to the population in the regions.

Program structure and academic content:

Module	Name of the Discipline	ECTS
1	Regional Economy of Kazakhstan and Spatial Development	4
	Regional Planning and Forecasting Tools	3
	Public Administration	4
	<i>Practice</i>	2
	<i>Experimental - research work of the Master student (here in after – ERWM)</i>	2
TOTAL FOR 1 MODULE		15
2	Public Finance and Budget	3
	Social Security Policy at the Regional Level	3
	Managing the Sustainable Development of the Region	4
	<i>Internship</i>	2
	<i>ERWM</i>	3
TOTAL FOR 2 MODULE		15
3	Territory Marketing	3
	<i>ERWM</i>	6
	<i>Final attestation (Design of master's project)</i>	6
TOTAL FOR 3 MODULE		15
4	Professional Communications and Conflict Management	3
	Language Competencies for Managers (in the Kazakh Language)	3
	Organizational Behavior and Ethics	3
	<i>Final attestation (Defense of master's project)</i>	6
TOTAL FOR 4 MODULE		15
Total theoretical studies		35
ERWM:		13
- EIRM, implementation of the master's project		11
- Internship		2
Final attestation (Design and defense of master's project)		12
Total Additional studies		25
TOTAL ECTS		60