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KAZAKHSTAN”**
Seminar Preparation Guide

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SEMINARS - STUDENT'S GUIDE

COURSE - International Policy and Diplomacy of Kazakhstan;

PROGRAMME – Political Science;

SEMESTER – Autumn, 2021-2022 Academic Year;

LEVEL – Bachelor's, 4th year.

MODULE ONE – NATIONAL INTERESTS, FOREIGN POLICY AND DIPLOMACY

During this module we cover all concepts and notions as well as the analytical tools of national interests, foreign policy, diplomacy, its objectives, means, instruments and formats.

Upon completion of the module, students shall be able to conceptualize the notions of 'national interests' and 'foreign policy' and discuss, differentiate, classify and assess the diplomatic means and instruments in bilateral and multilateral formats;

Week	Seminar	Maximum Score
1	Outstanding personality of Kazakhstan's diplomacy; case presentation.	10
2	Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations; the major principles and international legal obligations; discussion.	10
3	Emergence, consolidation and relevance of multilateral diplomacy in international relations system – simulation: conference with talks and PPP presentations.	10
4	What, do you think, the most and least effective means and instruments of bilateral policies are, why? - short argumentative essay and cross check with subsequent discussion.	10
5	The future challenges of multi-vector foreign policy: group project (informative, analytical and prognostic).	10

Assessment Criteria

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- topical knowledge and analysis;
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MODULE TWO - BILATERAL RELATIONS OF KAZAKHSTAN

Upon completion of the module, student shall be able to discuss, critically and comparatively analyze and prognose the development of the bilateral relations of Kazakhstan with Central Asian states, the US and EU, as well as Russia and China;

Week	Seminar	Maximum Score
6	“Kazakhstan’s relations with Central Asian states; comparative analysis”; oral presentation	10
7	Q&A on directions, objectives, treaties, visits and aspects of Kazakhstan – USA relations	10
8	“Kazakhstan – Russia relations; challenges and opportunities”; mini-conference.	10
9	“Compare and contrast EU strategy towards Kazakhstan and Russia, give your explanation of the difference”; preparation of the text for the cross-check and subsequent discussion.	10
10	“Kazakhstan – China relations, what are the internal and external factors of its development?”; group project.	10

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MODULE THREE – MULTILATERAL DIPLOMACY OF KAZAKHSTAN

Upon completion of the module, student shall be able to discuss, critically and comparatively analyze and prognose the development of the multilateral policy of Kazakhstan within the UN, OSCE, CSTO, CICA and SCO;

Week	Seminar	Maximum Score
11	“Chronology of the most significant events/steps/initiatives and their implications for Kazakhstan”; group project of informative and analytical character.	10
12	“Compare and contrast Kazakhstan’s participation in four OSCE dimensions (baskets)”; discussion.	10
13	“Issues on the Agenda of all CSTO summits and Kazakhstan’s position thereon”: Q&A.	10
14	“Compare and contrast the OSCE with the CICA and Kazakhstan’s role in each”; individual project of informative and analytical character.	10
15	“The future of the SCO and the implications for Kazakhstan”; conference.	10

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