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### AUCA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



It is a great pleasure for the new President of AUCA to write an article for the newly revived AUCA student newspaper, New Star, or perhaps the New New Star. University newspapers are important institutions that provide students an outlet to publish on issues of interest both to their school as well as the wider world outside of school. It is also an excellent forum for students interested in pursuing careers in journalism to gain valuable experience.

Since arriving at AUCA five months ago, I have been listening to students, faculty, staff, alumni, and, of course, the AUCA Board of Trustees which met in my first week here and again in late October. I have learned a lot about the University's history, strengths, and needs. Getting to know the University and the people that make it up have only increased my enthusiasm about holding the position of President to help strengthen the institution that we know and love as AUCA. I jokingly use the phrase "Make AUCA Great Always" or MAGA. What makes any University great are the people inside the building: students, faculty, and staff, and I will be working tirelessly with all three groups

to take AUCA to new levels of quality education, Our reputation and product are strong, but one can never rest on his/her laurels because the competition is fierce.

There are some exciting developments over the past few months that I want to share with you. First, AUCA revived the position of Vice President of Academic Affairs (VPAA), and after a very competitive global search process last spring, we named now former Chair of the AUCA **Economics Department and Faculty** Senate, Nurgul Ukueva as VPAA. Together with Dr. Ukueva and others over the summer we have developed new institutions and structures of faculty and academic management that we are confident will improve the quality of education at AUCA.

We have had excellent news on the fundraising front as the US Department of State has dramatically increased funding for

full scholarships for students from Afghanistan and Central Asia. This year's NGA class is the largest ever at 170, and I expect the entering freshman class next year will also be the largest ever in AUCA history. And just this September we opened the AUCA Technical School of Innovation with an entering class of 203 10th graders. We expect that TSI will increase the quantity and strengthen the quality of entering students din AUCA beginning it two years as well as provide an additional source of revenue to the University.

There are many other exciting initiatives developing at AUCA that I will be regularly reporting to our student body. Communication is a two-way street, and my door is always open (but please make an appointment))) to hear about your concerns and ideas to help me in the quest to Make AUCA Great Always.

President Kuchins, aka Dr. K

#### EDITOR'S NOTE...

**Dear AUCA community!** 



My name is Niloufar and I am the new editor-in-chief of the New Star newspaper. I would like to welcome you all to the new academic year at American

University of Central Asia. I hope this semester brings you more success and achievements!

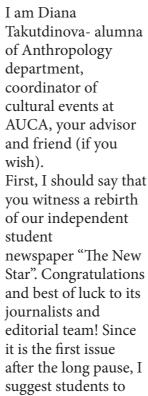
You might have read or seen our previous publications, but I am writing this to let our freshmen students know about our university's independent newspaper. Indeed, this is a great opportunity for every member of AUCA to write and publish their thoughts, experiences and ideas about events happening on campus. The only thing which needs to be considered is that your articles should not be offensive to any culture, religion or gender. In this way you are able to practice your writing skills and learn and share your ideas. I should strongly highlight that "The new Star" is welcoming writers, photographers, designers and interested active participants to join our team. You do NOT need to be professional to be a part of The New Star, so do not hesitate to challenge yourself!

To share your articles, ideas and comments please visit our office (G23) or contact newstar.auca1999@gmail.com

Take care of yourself and stay healthy, Regards,

Niloufar Rafat

### STUDENT LIFE IS ABOUT YOU AND US



try their skills in writing, interviewing and editing. Your experience in journalism

and involvement into student newspaper will definitely provide benefits in the future. In your CV while applying to exchange or master programs you can proudly write, "Worked as a journalist for Student Newspaper". I think it's a fantastic opportunity to try yourself. Second, I do love AUCA with its adorable students and stuff. You are the luckiest



people. Grasp and cherish the moments you spent here, at AUCA. Being a cultural event coordinator, I encourage you guys to volunteer and participate in extracurricular activities. From the years of experience I can state, that this will one of the most memorable things after your student life. Therefore, if you have time and courage, if you want to sing and

dance, if you want to gain experience being on the stage you are always welcome to be part of the fantastic team

volunteers. Pop in anytime to G-25, and let us know about you.

Finally, I would like to give an advice. Please, be strong, and never afraid to express your opinion and hold your position until the end.

Sincerely,

Diana Takutdinova <3

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### Senior knowledge service officer's view about AUCA

## Evolving AUCA Plants Seeds of Big Hopes in the Region

The American University of Central Asia (AUCA) is rapidly evolving as an institution of excellence that plants seeds of hopes in the region thanks to its dynamic and visionary leadership. Last time, I came to learn about this vibrant university was in June 2015 when I was invited to attend a regional human rights and civil society conference. The university was the host co-organizing party of that event. I was impressed by the university's all-inclusive culture, humble leadership and openness to new ideas. I found such qualities so tempting that I almost joined AUCA's youthful teaching team at the time.

Nonetheless, almost five years later, I went to Bishkek again on September 25, 2019. This time, as part of the Knowledge Services Unit of the Central



Asia Regional Economic Cooperation Institute (CI), to deliver a two-day workshop on State-Owned Enterprises' Reforms, Challenges and Prospects jointly organized by CI, the Asian Development Bank (ADB), the ADB Institute (ADBI) and AUCA. There, I was chairing the workshop on behalf of CI and sitting in the same row with other co-organizing partners' representatives.

While we were all giving our opening remarks, the

turn reached AUCA's Vice President, Dr. Chingiz Shamshiev. A very brief remark he gave — was a demonstration of knowledge depth, wisdom and passion for the region – that grabbed my attention and made me realize again what AUCA is all about. Inevitably, Dr. Shamshiev and I engaged in a ceremonial chat during the coffee break that led to a sequence of pragmatic activities. He invited CI delegation to visit the new AUCA Campus, and subsequently invited me

to deliver a talk to an exciting group of faculties and students at AUCA's Technical School of Innovation (TSI).

### **Technical School of Innovation**

I found TSI absolutely a profound initiative not only for the future of human development in Kyrgyz Republic but also for the entire Central Asia. Such type of vocational education concept has been the core of Switzerland's development and stardom in Europe. The group of youthful Central Asian emerging intelligentsia, whom I talked to and engaged with, at TSI gave me a strong sense of pride and hope for this historical region. All credits for such highly needed initiative must go to AUCA's visionary leadership. TSIlike initiatives bring us lights of hopes in the reviving Central Asian region.

AUCA is indeed an institution of excellence that stakeholders should be proud of and continue rallying their crucial supports to it. With such vigorous and dynamic leadership, this institution is on a mission for the common good of all towards a collective bright future. AUCA's faculties and students should take immense prides with increasing responsibilities in representing this great institution to the highest quality possible. They could intensify their efforts to reach their full potentials, which will promote positive competition among all universities to evolve as knowledge institutions of excellence in our region. As a result, more knowledge institutions will evolve to plant seeds of hopes in Central Asia like AUCA does.

Eisa Khan Ayoob Ayoobi ABD in Government and Public Policy

### **AUCA Center for Civic Engagement and its Programs**

Civic engagement means working to make differences in the civic life of our communities and developing the combination of knowledge, skills, values and motivation to bring that changes . It means promoting the quality of life in a community, through both political and non-political processes. (Thomas Ehrlich (Ed.) Civic Responsibility and Higher Education. Phoenix: Oryx Press, 2000)

### About the Center for Civic Engagement

In May 2019 the American university of Central Asia established the Center for Civic Engagement (CCE) to foster the society in which citizens work together to improve their communities for the greater good. The mission of the AUCA Center for Civic Engagement is threefold. The CCE aims to:

1. Instill in students, faculties, and staffs the ethic of civic engagement and social responsibility;

2. Enhance the capacity of AUCA students, faculties, and staffs

to be positive members and leaders in their local, national, and international communities, particularly by engaging thoughtfully in matters of public concern;
3. Enhance the welfare of the local, national, and international communities in which AUCA students, faculties, and staffs are situated.

# Student Program administered by the Center for Civic Engagement

Student Civic Engagement Fellows Program

The Student Civic Engagement
Fellows Program (SCEF) places
undergraduate and master students
studying at AUCA with civil society
and human rights organizations
operating throughout the Kyrgyz
Republic. Student Fellows are
selected on a competitive basis,
taking into account their prior
community engagement experiences,
passion ,motivation, knowledge and
capacity to meaningfully impact
the specific partner organization

and project on which they will work. Fellows undergo a series of interactive trainings and workshops on community mobilization, social norms and behavioral changes, project management and design, and professional communication skills - as well as monthly check-ins and reflection sessions with CCE staff.

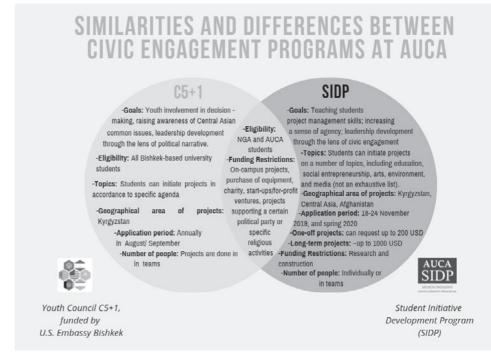
### Other Student Programs under the Center for

#### **Civic Engagement**

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Under the umbrella of the CCE, there are other platforms like Student Initiative Development Program (SIDP) and Youth Council C5+1 that facilitate students in designing and implementing student-led community engagement projects. Below is a diagram providing a quick overview of programs:

To learn more, contact us via email



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### AUCA sociology alumni' career story



### How did you come to study Sociology at AUCA?

I started my Bachelor's degree at AUCA in 2005. By then, I had already spent several years in the workforce, and because I had been working in writing and translation, I had initially thought of doing a degree in journalism. When I spoke with AUCA Admissions, however,

they suggested that I consider sociology. I met with several instructors from the Sociology Department and made my decision on the spot. I am still not sure what prompted the admissions officer to make that suggestion, but I was very happy with my choice of major, both during my years at AUCA and ever since.

## How did your study of sociology influence your life and your career?

While studying at AUCA and after graduating, I worked as a conference interpreter with international organizations. It might seem at first glance that interpreting and sociology are unrelated. However, in my work, I often had to draw on the concepts that we discussed in class and even completed several academic translations in the social sciences. After graduating, I moved to Istanbul, Turkey, where I worked

as a research assistant, as well as an interpreter and translator and, later, as a community manager with an international humanitarian nonprofit. In that role, understanding group dynamics, as well as larger social issues, like global inequalities, was tremendously important. Being able to design surveys and conduct focus groups were some of the skills that helped ensure that the communities I worked with were able to contribute to decisionmaking in the organization. More generally, the skills of critical thinking and academic reasoning that I started developing at AUCA were crucial to both my professional development and my growth as an individual.

I always loved learning and research, and I knew that I would eventually want to pursue a graduate degree. Last year, I moved to Vancouver, Canada to begin an MA in sociology at Simon Fraser University. I have a deep interest in sports, and in my research I am exploring how social

and cultural factors might shape athletes' experiences. As someone who practices a sport, I have a lot of questions about the experiences of female-identified athletes, and I think that sociology offers great tools to try to answer these questions.

One of the highlights of the past year was working as a teaching assistant in an introductory sociology course with undergraduate students from very diverse backgrounds. Exploring sociology with them was a great experience and reminded me of the time when I, myself, was taking my first steps in the social sciences. To those undergraduates who are considering taking a sociology course, I would strongly encourage them to take the leap. At the very least, you will discover a new lens through which to view the world, and if you decide to major in sociology, it is a field that can offer so many varied opportunities!

Marina Khonina

## Notes from previous student senate member



Hello! My name is Alina. As a member of Student Senate I want to congratulate you all with the new academic year. Thanks for being a part of friendly community in AUCA.

Welcome freshmen students! Hope you enjoy the atmosphere here. © I suggest you to be active

during your first academic year. Enjoy your time because I'm senior now, so I miss those days when I was freshman back in 2016.

People change by the time and people bring changes as well. I hope you'll make effective steps forward in your academic lives. Remember you are grown up and university life is not the same as school .Please try to be patient, try to keep AUCA as clean as your homes. Be respectful toward all AUCA community especially stuffs and professors. Moreover, try your best to behave as matures and future responsible individuals. Try to concentrate on your studies and do not make problems for your selves and people around you. Some of you might think FYS is so hard, but keep in mind that it is just a cool beginning.

If you dared to challenge yourself to study at the AUCA - be ready for essays, readings and discussions. You are not here to struggle. You are here to become better version of you.

You will have an interesting adventure for more 4 years. I, myself, almost finished it. And actually I don't regret.

The only thing that I feel upset of is that I didn't make things on time and I had to pay for my mistakes.

Best, Asylbekova Alina, TCMA-116.

## Exchange Semester Experience at the Norwegian University of Life Sciences

As an exchange student at the Norwegian University of Life Sciences (NMBU) I would like to share my last spring semester's experience.

It was a unique opportunity to study in one of the world-class universities with quite highquality education in the field of Economics. One of the main purposes of spending a semester abroad is to gain the experience of adopting and learning in a new academic atmosphere. This process is what I experienced during my exchange semester at NMBU. At the beginning, it was a bit hard for me to adopt because the system there was much different from our university, but hopefully I got used to the system and curriculum. Throughout the semester at NMBU I really enjoyed the education method and the student-oriented system. Topics and subjects that we used to discuss during the lectures were related to the real-world issues. They were touchable and understandable. In other words, we were discussing the realworld's issues using theoretical methods. Also, I believe that learning process happens not only within the academic environment, but also through the cultural exchange. During my stay in Norway, I found the people and the environment so friendly. I met wonderful people and made many good friends. They were so welcoming to new cultures and new ideas so that as a small group of Asian students we could celebrate our New Year (Nowroz) in campus. I remember it was a huge gathering with many of local and international students. We (Asian students) were responsible for explaining and giving information about our New Year celebration, our

tradition and customs. Besides all the



achievements, I have also faced challenges that overcoming them I believe is what taught me the most important lessons. When I arrived in Norway it was in the middle of winter. Compare to Bishkek, it was very cold there so that for 3 weeks I was sick. It got me a while to recover and get back to studies. What touched my heart the most was the assist of my Norwegian roommate while I was sick. She took me to hospital and helped me a lot while I was sick. That is when I realized that humanity is what connects us all regardless of the cultural and geographical locatrions. I will always remember you dear Maja Arnekleiv.

I know the experience itself was much more than what I could express here. I wholeheartedly thank my University (AUCA), Economic Department, and International Office for providing and facilitating such opportunities for students. In addition, I am thankful to NMBU for coordinating and accepting students from AUCA

**P.S.** I also encourage students to take such opportunities in order to expand their vision of the world.

Atefa Bahr Eco 116

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### ДЕРЗАЙ, МОЛОДЕЖЬ!

Американский университет в Центральной Азии из года в год радушно принимает рекордное количество студентов-первокурсников. Порой ребята, оказываясь в новой обстановке, сталкиваются с большим количеством проблем, которые не всегда получается решить без помощи знающих людей. Студентам известно, что за советом в АУЦА можно обратиться к любому человеку, главное иметь мотивацию для самосовершенствования.

Рассказать подробнее об академической успеваемости первокурсников согласилась Гульнур Эсеналиева - директор центра академического кураторства, который больше известен студентам как «Academic Advising».

– По правде говоря, больше остальных я жалею экономистов - на первом курсе они у нас самые страдающие, - с улыбкой говорит Гульнур. С первого курса их расписание в основном состоит из сложных предметов: и First Year Seminar, и микроэкономика, и линейная алгебра. Кроме того, по статистике с мая по сентябрь

«экономика» возглавляют рей- лайна, и это принесло свой результинг университета по количеству обращений в центр академического кураторства, где мы всегда рады помочь каждому. На втором месте по активности - студенты факультета «международные отношения», дальше - психологи и будущие бизнес-управленцы. Наши кураторы призваны помочь первокурсникам плавно перестроиться со школьной системы обучения на университетскую - более взрослую. Многие напрасно стесняются обращаться к нам за помощью. «Academic Advising» не даром называют лучшим другом любого студента – двери кабинета 341 открыты для каждого!

Огромную поддержку первокурсникам также оказывают старшие студенты всех возрастов, которые уже испытали на себе тяготы учебы в АУЦА. Аяна Рысбекова, второкурсница факультета «управление бизнесом», признается, что первая сложность, с которой она столкнулась, будучи фрешменом – письменное задание по предмету

– Я начала работу над своим 2019 года студенты факультета первым эссе еще за месяц до дед-

тат. Выполнять первую письменную работу в стенах АУЦА было непросто, но, как я позже поняла, усердная работа - залог успеха. Хотелось бы дать первокурсникам банальный, но действенный совет: старайтесь не откладывать выполнение заданий на последний момент и начинайте исследовательскую работу для проектов как можно раньше.

Мысль Аяны поддерживает студент четвертого курса факультета «Международное право» Даниэль уулу Бекзат. О том, каким был его первый midterm exam - промежуточный экзамен - он вспомнил не

- Моим первым экзаменом в АУЦА был midterm exam по кыргызскому языку. Новые темы я освоил очень быстро и был рад тому, что получил высший балл – оценку «А». Сейчас вспоминаю, что даже умудрился помочь двум иностранным студентам, которые сидели рядом. Самое смешное - то, что я даже не сразу осознал, что это был промежуточный экзамен. Думал, это был обычный тест, совсем как в школе. Главное, что хочу посо-



ветовать фрешменам, - избегайте плагиата. Как человек, который однажды прошел через это, говорю: правильно планируйте время для подготовки к экзаменам и тщательно продумывайте свои сочинения, потому что только так можно добиться высокого уровня успеваемости.

Желаем студентам-новобранцам огромного терпения и максимум усердия на пути достижения поставленных целей. Дерзай, мололежь!

Дина Маматжанова

#### "Community of Volunteers"



COMMUNITY OF VOLUNTEERS CLUB

Every human deserves to be protected and supported despite their age, race and gender. Hopefully, in Kyrgyz Republic we have some national and international institutions working to support vulnerable groups of people in society. Role of AUCA students should be highlighted as «Community of volunteers" was established within the AUCA. Its main aim is to connect good willing active students who want to help, protect and support minorities through implementation of projects and volunteering activities. Actually, "Community of volunteers" strongly believes that if we help children to empower today we helped them to be future leaders of tomorrow. The programs are more focused on children and are based on four categories: 1. Child Education/Children with

- Autism Spectrum Disorder 2. Environmental protection
- 3. Women Empowerment
- 4. Youth Empowerment "Community of Volunteers" has a diverse team of volunteers from different nationalities who have good skills and knowledge in implementing educational programs, motivating and empowering children and youths. Therefore, we want to organize such activities that can help students, orphans and children with disabilities to experience cross cultural understanding through activities, and interactive talks. The project is based on academic support such as teaching English, leadership skills and non-academic activities such as creative arts, cultural events, and playing various fun activities. Nevertheless, women's role in society is very important and we are looking forward to supporting small business ideas and entrepreneurship through branding and marketing sessions. We are looking for new partners, to work together and expand the positive impact we can bring to

the society.

Maryam Ibrahimi

#### Youth Council C5+1



The American University of Central Asia (AUCA) with the U.S. Embassy's collaboration in the Kyrgyz Republic has created a dynamic C5+1 Youth Council (YC) that brings together Central Asian youths with diverse backgrounds, mindsets and leadership skills for positive changes. Throughout the year YC organizes various kind of events and projects to reinforce the U.S. - Central Asia (C5+1) joint goals of the Global Counterterrorism Forum (GCTF) Regional Dialogue, Central Asian Business Competitiveness (CABC), Transport Corridor Development (TCD), Power the Future, and Supporting National and Regional Adaptation Planning that tackles issues of common concerns. Two years ago the idea of joining the Youth Council C5+1 crossed

my mind. I was pretty skeptic of my acceptance in the program because I didn't have such enough experience in project implementation, planning budget, action plans and so on. However, after a month probably I got my lucky letter stating that I could get the membership status of Youth Council C5+1. I was extremely

happy because I all the time dreamed of helping the community, developing my leadership skills and implementing my ideas. During the year our team has done an immense work as we have implemented following projects: Water Security Symposium, C5+1 Model, Gavel Moot Court, Youth Peace Talks, Quiz Nights and so on. In July 2019, the most active Youth Council members were selected to participate in Everest International Model of United Nations (EIMUN) in Kathmandu, Nepal. This experience was unique and unforgettable. Youth Council provides a lot of opportunities so I recommend everyone to apply and be a future Youth Council C5+1 member. Donot miss the chance to bring changes! Sincerely,

Paul Zalevskii

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### STRUGGLING DURING THE FIRST MONTH OF UNIVERSITY LIFE

Getting into new society, meeting new people and having new duties are always hard and people sometimes struggle to adapt to the new environment. So, all freshmen, as many other people, cannot avoid this situation. New duties, new subjects, new ways of studying, new people and many more new things. Student life during university is different in many ways and it is much harder comparing school life. I am sure that there are many smart guys in the AUCA and it is essential to work hard to keep pace with everyone. It takes a lot of time and efforts. Therefore, studying can become a course of pressure and even depression because sometimes it takes long time to reach your aim. But, it is very important to try and not give up!

The best thing here is that if you have problems you can ask anyone and that person will assist you. Here in AUCA you are able to ask help not only from your peers, but also from

your professors and senior students .Actually, to my point of view the main rule of success is bravery because it helps you to learn and increase your self-confidence, so if you do not know "Do not be afraid or ashamed to ask!" Additionally, trying to keep pace with everyone helps us to develop and improve. You might remember summer holidays during your school that how boring it was . You didn't have any homework or duties, you might all the time surf the Internet and do nothing the whole day for weeks. I clearly remember that during summer I degraded. Three months later, I was not able to remember the basic things and it was really hard to become a part of school life again! So, my point is that "pressure and struggling during the university life" is really helpful to make a schedule and have a plan which helps students to be organized all the time.

Anastasiia Frolova AMI 2019

### A LETTER TO FRESHMEN STUDENTS

Dear freshman students,

Welcome to AUCA!!!

I would like to share a part of my experience at campus and how I could be a Dean's list student in AUCA. As a freshman student when I enrolled in AUCA, I did not have pre information about the Human Rights field. I was stressful all the time and afraid to attend classes with sophomore, joiner and senior students; because it seemed to be very competitive to me. Therefore, I had to find a solution, and a goal sitting was the first step that I took toward my first academic year. I decided to have an effective schedule to be prepared for my classes and exams. In order to be involved in class discussions, activities and accelerating the learning process, I relied on both recommended materials by my professors and making extra studies using various resources. I regularly used to meet my professors during their office hours to ask questions related to our classes and getting their ideas. Moreover, I could find new friends who could share with me about their successful academic



backgrounds at AUCA, so by that I could get their advices. Furthermore, to be honest, the most difficult part of the freshmen year for me was classes' timings especially the ones at 8 Am. I used to get up early, grab my books, come to university and attend classes. It was so hard, but I did it because I worked hard and there is a proverb which says that "hard works will pay off!" and I could see that it really worked in my case because I could reach the Dean's list student's status. My advice to you Never give ,try hard to reach your aim!

Shigofa Jamal LAS 2018

#### RISE SUMMER CAMP



Hello AUCA community, I am Seemin Naeemi a senior student in Economics department at the American University of Central Asia (AUCA) and an alumna of the United States Institutes (SUSI). I have a deep interest in women rights and education. I strongly agree with the popular quote that says, "If you educate a man, you educate one person. If you educate a woman, you educate a nation." In August 2019 I along my AUCA and local friends organized an educational program named Rise Summer Camp. The initial idea of Rise was developed during my stay in the United States with my professors. I was very interested to organize a community service project in my home country. As the result, I applied for SIDP project fund. Rise was sponsored by both Study of the United States

Institutions (SUSI) and SIDP. The objectives of the program were to provide 30 young Afghan high school girls with soft as well as interpersonal skills to enable them to assume leadership roles, and to improve their public speaking, networking, and critical thinking and peace building skills within their communities through a week boot camp in Kabul. Majority of the participants were interested in learning about leadership, public speaking and wanted to know about study abroad sessions. We witnessed an incredible improvement in public speaking, critical thinking and leadership skills of the participants in the last two days of the program. Considering public speaking, the participants appeared way more prepared, way more confident, and way more familiar with body language

during the last two days. Regarding the critical thinking and leadership skill sessions, the participants explicitly proved that their skills were enhanced. For instance, they had learned to think critically as a group, to ask straightforward questions about the topics they were assigned, to think out of the box, and to come up with more calculated, nuanced, prepared and rehearsed presentations and speeches. One of the activities we did was giving the theme of "Organizing Rise Camp for Next Year" and dividing the participants into groups. We told them to come up with their own ideas and select a leader from their groups. Since we had taught them adaptive leadership, we saw they had come up with new and creative ideas about the adaptive leadership too. I would like to thank SIDP for their support and giving chances to students to implement their projects. I would also thank to my teammates without them implementing this project was not possible. I would like to encourage AUCA students to organize such activities for their people in local areas and share their knowledge with them.

Seemin Naeemi ECO 116

## We have informative events in our campus

On October 2nd, Embassy of India in Bishkek together with the American University of Central Asia organized a symposium dedicated to the 150th anniversary of the birth of Mahatma Gandhi. Along with AUCA students and professors, the U.S. Ambassador to the Kyrgyz Republic Donald Lu and the Indian Ambassador to Kyrgyz Republic Alok Dimri honored their presence in this symposium. In the seminar, the life of Mahatma Gandhi was discussed. Many people remembered him as a spiritual leader, great peacemaker, reformer and philosopher. His achievements and accomplishments were source of inspiration for many world leaders including Martin Luther King Jr. and Nelson Mondela. He began his career as a lawyer and rose to prominence while fighting racial oppression in South Africa.

A few days before the seminar an essay competition took place among the AUCA students, based on the topic "What does Gandhi mean to me?".In fact. It was a good topic to discuss and learn more about the unique characters of Gandhi.Actually I as a participant in that event could learn that students as future leaders of their countries should know about such influential leaders' success stories. That is why I like AUCA because this type of events and symposiums let students to think and learn.

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## история одного мема



«Настоятелешоу домохозяйки щие Беверли-Хиллс», снятый в 2011г., а прекрасные дамы изображенные нём это - Тэйлор Армстронг (та, что в слезах) и Кайли Ричардс(та, что утешает).

В 2018 году один пользователей (Tumblr) опубликовал фото кота и









сятилетие подряд мемы заменяют нам «батины» анекдоты, это своеобразная ниша юмора, которая развивается быстрыми шагами изо дня в день. Пересказывать Википедию и длинно повествовать Вам об истоках мем-культуры кажется нудным занятием, ведь почти каждый из нас, может назвать себя «гуру интернета», и вполне справится сам, чтобы найти такого рода ин-

Вот уже второе де-

Сейчас смело можно сказать, что мем является одним из фундаментальных направлений интернет юмора. Его поддерживают вбросами в сеть фотографий неуклюжих животных, известных, и не только, людей, видео и фото скринов с популярных фильмов и сериалов.

формацию.

Сегодня, я расскажу Вам о двух отдельных картинках, которые составили идеальный дуэт и прогремели на весь интернет, став одними из самых популярных мемов.

Это кадр одного из эпизодов известного





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#### These photos together is making me lose it

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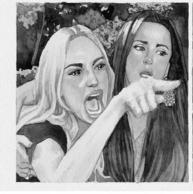
локальную популярность, но по-настоящему бум произошел сти. в мае этого года, когда пользователь Twitter настоящей звездой, у соединил две картинки в один единый мем.

Твит набрал огромную популярность и невероятное количеотзывов. С тех пор слава о Коте за столиком спечил свою хозяйку разлетелась по всему и каждый стал «допиливать» мем своими ручонками. Кто-то даже зашел еще даль-

подписал "он не лю- ше, разрушив шаблобит овощи", кот набрал ны бытового мема, и добавил недюжинную порцию оригинально-

> Ну, а кот в итоге, стал него есть свой «мерч», который охотно скупают по всему миру, с тонной подписчиков и обожателей в Инставосторженных граме. Скорее всего этот милый кот обебезбедным будущим. пространству, Ну, как? Уже появились мысли, как сделать вашего питомца звездой?!

> > Нурель Чыныбаев







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#### FAREWELL KISS TO ARINA TURGUNBEKOVA





- FLEX Alumna
- Goodwill Ambassador of the World Nomad Games
- **UNICEF** Volunteer
- **AUCA Stream Talent** Competition Finalist
- Lead Vocalist of theatre **MIRRORS**
- Singer
- \*\* Actress
- Representative of Kyrgyzstan to 8th UN **ECOSOC YOUTH** FORUM, New York
- Member of American, **Uighur** and Tatar delegations, Diversity Week AUCA
- Volunteer at AUCA
- Active participant at variety AUCA student clubs
- Lead MC at AUCA events
- Traveller and life lover

#### Nº1 By Arina

I am Arina Turgunbekova. I am a senior in the Liberal Arts and Science department with the human rights concentration. Besides studying have different hobbies extracurricular activities. I am UNICEF and AUCA volunteer, violinist, pianist, actress, FLEX alumna, a Goodwill Ambassador of the World Nomad Games, and a member of AUCA theatre "Mirrors". I heard of "Mirrors" when I participated in the "Stream" competition. This competition is for those, who want to study in AUCA, but do not have a financial opportunity. It provides 100% discounts to study in AUCA. In 2015 I became one of the winners of

this competition.

When I was applying to AUCA, I did not know anything about its theatre; however I am forever thankful for this theatre, because of it I am able to study in AUCA.

Studying in AUCA is difficult, but interesting. I study human rights and law and I really love the professors of the law department, because they are very professional, experienced, and fair. I did not know what to do in the future when I was starting my studying, but as long as I got into the law field, I understood that I have found my passion. I am glad that I can combine both my studying and extracurricular activities.

#### **№**2 Полифония

Люди – это звуки... Тихие или громкие, приятные или не очень... Некоторый звучит как треснутая балалайка, поёт, как плачет или денег просит... А другой шепчет, и не хочется чтобы переставал, потому что его слова, как красные сухие листья мягко падают на желтеющую траву и тихой грустью наполняют сердце в ожидание первого снега... И вдруг слышим гром – это человек труба, который звучит хоть и фальшиво, но громко, и не слышит никого, кроме себя, а отзвучав, не помнит, о чём пел...

Каждому можно дать название музыкального инструмента: один комуз, другой рояль, третий пастушья дудочка... В этой звуковой иерархии каж-

дый сравним с каким-то одному ему присущим звуком, который одним названием определяет характер человека, его характерный тембр, его жизненную тональность...

Что за инструмент Арина?.. Я не знаю. Мне сложно назвать что-то одно. Это оркестр, который может поднять в атаку роту солдат, и это колыбельная, которая может усыпить ребёнка...

Арина многогранна и полифонична. От Арины всегда можно ожидать сюрприза. Она может организовать крупный проект и быть в центре его яркой звездой или просто, помогать кому-то продавать благотворительные билеты, растворяясь в толпе других студентов, существуя с ними в унисон...

Арина – это иллюстрация полифонии, которая хочет и может заниматься всем, лишь бы в сутках хватало времени.

Арина – это палочка выручалочка - не знаешь к кому пойти - иди к Арине, она всё сделает...

Я неравнодушен к ней. Несправедлив. Я люблю её даже тогда, когда на неё обижаюсь...Я просто вспоминаю, как 5лет назад на Stream вышла девочка в красной юбке колокольчиком. Мы смотрели на неё из-за столика жюри и не подозревали - сколько ярких звуков в этом красном

колокольчике, который уже потихоньку начинает звучать для нас прощальным звоном...Будь счастлива, Арина, которая может всё!

Шульгин Н.Г.

#### Nº3. Об Арине

Арину я знаю давно, мы учились в одной школе. Тогда я ее знала только как девочку, которая всегда выступает на школьных мероприятиях. Затем мы поступили в АУЦА, где ситуация не поменялась и она все так же выступает ))) Но в университете мы ближе познакомились и я лучше ее узнала. Я думаю, все те, кто знает Арину, согласятся, что она человек-солнце, от которого исходит только тепло.

Я всегда восхищалась Ариной, потому что она талантлива, целеустремлённая и просто наполнена морем позитива. Хотелось бы пожелать никогда не сдаваться и идти только вперёд, а в том, что у Арины все получится, думаю, никто не сомневает-СЯ.

#### Диля Колакова

С Ариной мы знали друг друга ещё до АУЦА. Не верится, что уже скоро она выпускается. Благодаря АУЦА и театру МИРРОРС мы стали ещё ближе. С ней у меня связаны одни из самых ярких моментов универ-

ситетской

жизни! Немного грустно, и в тоже время радостно, ведь скоро у неё начнётся новая глава жизни. В которой я бы хотела пожелать ей только удачи! ♥ Зная Арину, я могу быть уверена, что у неё и так все получится!

#### Аим Аилчиева

Арина, Орина - огромнейшее количество весёлых и тёплых историй ассоциируется с твоим именем. Очень рад, что когда-то наши с тобой общие друзья познакомили нас, и мы словили просто нереальный коннект. Начиная от просто абсурдных шуток, над которыми мы заливались смехом, заканчивая серьезными разговорами о жизни, каждый из этих моментов не имел бы такой богатой палитры красок и эмоций без твоего участия. Искренне верю, в твою целеустремленность, амбиции и желаю тебе, чтобы эти и многие другие твои замечательные качества разгорались в тебе ярче с каждым годом. Обнял-приподнял...

Салим Халимов







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