

Caucasus University

Caucasus University was established in 2004 on the basis of Caucasus School of Business (CSB), which was founded in partnership with Georgia State University (GSU) in Atlanta, U.S.A. in 1998.

Caucasus University is one of the most prominent higher educational institutions, not only in Georgia, but also in the South Caucasus Region offering high quality education in its eight schools: **Business, Law, Media, Information Technology, Governance, Humanities, Truism and Healthcare.**

Mission Statement

The mission of CU is to graduate competitive, highly qualified, morally grounded graduates who are faithful to democratic values and principles of democracy. They will be specialists who design and implement research-oriented teaching and learning as they go about satisfying educational requirements of an open society.

University's motto is: "Studium Pretium Libertatis"

The university's main aims are:

- Raise the qualification of applicant, realize student's individual potential;
- Development of creative skills by realizing highly-academic and professional development programs;
- Development of science and the scientific method in applied teaching;
- Support Georgian and World Culture value systems amongst students, bring about their orientation to the necessary democratic and humanism values for the development of civil society;
- Attract and retain highly-qualified local and foreign academic personnel;
- Apply the latest methods of teaching/learning and scientific research;
- Create technically equipped environment, ensure methodological and informational support.

In achieving its aims, the university strives to:

- Develop strategic plans and calendar plans;
- Provides academic higher education bachelor's, master's and doctoral education programs;
- Provides professional higher educational programs, including short-term vocational training and retraining of educational programs/courses; implementing of principle of continuous lifelong education;
- Based on open competition select and maintain teaching staff on a high scientific and academic level, and who have the ability to be effective lecturers;

- Realizes scientific research by using effective methods of quality assurance in support of a high standard of teaching and research;
- Promotes scientific work, by using the amounts allocated from own budget;
- carries out educational activities and publishes textbooks and other educational literature and research findings;
- Provides the learning, teaching and research in academic freedom;
- Provides academic staff and students in decision-making and in monitoring;
- Ensure the management of publicity and assure transparency;
- Create the conditions the learning by disabled and special needs students;
- Cooperate with Georgian and foreign higher institutions education;
- Enable conditions and opportunities based on acting legislation for the creation of other needed conditions which will contribute the stated goals and mission of the university.

CU provides a world-class education through a combination of a well-designed curriculum (which is a close adaption of the Georgia State University one) and an exceptional faculty which has both the academic credentials and practical experience necessary to deliver an outstanding education.

School programs, curricula, syllabuses and assessment of students' knowledge of the system are fully consistent with the requirements established by the Ministry of Education and Science, the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) norms.

The university has the legal right to award standard and diplomacy specialist qualifications based on Georgian legislation: bachelors, masters and PhD degrees. There are also various certificate programs available at CU, including short study courses.

CU was granted International Quality Accreditation by Central and Eastern European Management Development Association (CEEMAN) in 2005 and Institutional Accreditation by the National Centre for Education Accreditation in 2009.

Caucasus University has well-established relations with many of the top European, American and Asian universities. The academic staff and student body are actively involved in many exchange programs and international projects. CU is actively involved in projects funded by local and international organizations

Caucasus University is listed among the 100 top ranked the universities which participates in the "Microeconomics and Competitiveness"(MOC) program of the Institute of Strategy and Competitiveness at Harvard Business School. CU is the member of IAUP (International Association of University President), IAU (International Association of University), BMD (Baltic Management Development Association), BMD (Baltic Management Development Association), EFMD (European Foundation for Management Development), NIBES (Network of International Business and Economic Schools), AMCHAM (American Chamber of Commerce in Georgia), CCIFG (Chamber of Commerce and Industry in France), ICC (International Chamber of Commerce in Georgia), CEEMAN etc.