SCHOOL OF EDUCATION
Undergraduate Programs

- Elementary Education
- Azerbaijani Language and Literature
- Mathematics and Computer Education
- Chemistry and Biology Education
- History and Geography Education
- Azerbaijani Language and Literature Education
- Chemistry Education (New, since Fall 2013)
- Biology Education (New, since Fall 2013)
- History Education (New, since Fall 2013)
- Geography Education (New, since Fall 2013)

Graduate Programs

- Azerbaijani Language
- Azerbaijani Literature
- Linguistics
- Educational Administration

PhD Degree Programs

- Azerbaijani Literature
Mission

The mission of the School of Education is to prepare professionals who are able to teach at every educational level, conduct research in various fields of education, and develop educational policy and strategy, who are equipped with advanced skills and knowledge to combine national traditions with universal values and norms.

Vision

The vision is to become the leading school of education recognized for best practices in the development of professional teachers who will provide leadership and exemplary educational services to ensure the highest level of education in Azerbaijan and the broader region.
Why this school?

- A curriculum based on the best Western practices and high educational standards that prepare students for successful professional careers

- A student-oriented faculty in combination with friendly and highly supportive learning environment create unique opportunities for learning and teaching

- Innovative instructional methods are combined with cutting-edge IT technologies to prepare professionals who are highly competitive in the labor market of Azerbaijan and beyond

Key Benefits

- Strong curricula that meets the requirements of the contemporary educational system and complies with the demands of the labor market

- Professional faculty and staff members striving for students’ academic and personal progress

- Intellectually rich and friendly environment

- Excellent internship opportunities

- Involvement in various research projects
The School offers following programs:

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**MA**
- Azerbaijani Language
- Azerbaijani Literature
- Linguistics
- Educational Administration

**PhD**
- Azerbaijani Literature

**Note:** Khazar University constantly continues to develop new degree programs.
BS in Elementary Education

Area of Studies: Education
Length of studies: 264 ECTS credits
Qualification: Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education

Overview

The program provides professional knowledge and skills of in-classroom teaching and management with a focus on curriculum and methodology of teaching in elementary schools. Internship is a necessary part of the program and students have a practicum and internship experience at "Dunya" Lab School and/or other schools.

Career prospects:

Alumni of the program are mostly hired in state and private elementary schools, kindergartens and orphanages. They can also find employment as social workers and are able to continue graduate studies at the university.

CURRICULUM:

- **Major Requirements**
  - Introduction to Education
  - Introduction to Writing
  - Basics of Speech Habits
  - Introduction to Psychology
  - Basics of Educational Psychology
  - World Children's Literature
  - Curriculum and Assessment Strategies
  - Historical and Philosophical Foundations of Education
  - Painting and Art Education
  - Mathematics for Elementary Teachers I, II

- **Methods of Teaching**
  - Games in Elementary and Middle Education
  - Elementary Mathematics Education
  - Elementary Science Education
  - Elementary Social Studies Education
  - Elementary Health and Physical Education
  - Integrated Language and Literacy
  - Elementary School Music Methods
  - Principles and Methods of Instruction
  - Methods of Teaching the Mother Tongue

- **Major Elective Courses**
- **Practicum and Internship**
BA
in Azerbaijani Language and Literature

Area of Studies: Linguistics
Length of studies: 264 ECTS credits
Qualification: Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics of Azerbaijani Language and Literature

Overview

The program is mainly focused on extensive study of the contemporary Azerbaijani language. At the same time, linguistic matters and history of the literary language are covered on a comparative basis. Together with a deep knowledge of Azerbaijani language and literature, students are acquainted with the rich literary and language heritage of the world and obtain essential research and critical thinking skills.

Career prospects

The alumni of the program find employment in various public and private colleges and vocational schools, in mass-media industry as editors, copywriters, and academic assistants in companies which require deep knowledge of language and academic writing skills.

CURRICULUM:

- Major Requirements
  - Required Language courses
    - Modern Azerbaijani Language 1, 2, 3
    - Fundamentals of Linguistics
    - History of the Azerbaijani Literary Language
    - Teaching Methods of the Azerbaijani Language
    - Comparative Grammar of Turkic Languages
  - Elective Language courses
  - Required Literature courses
    - History of Azerbaijani Literature 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
    - World Literature 1, 2, 3
    - Fundamentals of Literary Criticism
    - Eastern Languages Environment and Azerbaijani Literature
    - Teaching Methods in Azerbaijani Literature
    - Creative Writing
  - Elective Literature courses
  - Major Elective Courses
  - Practicum and Internship
BS in Mathematics and Computer Education

Area of Studies: Mathematics and Computer Science
Length of studies: 264 ECTS credits
Qualification: Bachelor of Science in Mathematics and Computer Education

Overview
The program equips students with advanced knowledge in mathematics and computer education combined with innovative methods of teaching and learning, as well as developing the ability to apply those skills in their future careers. It also pays special attention to the use of information technologies, online databases and Internet resources to strengthen students' analytical and technical skills. The program prepares highly qualified teachers of mathematics and computer science, who are competitive and ready for further professional development.

Career prospects:
The alumni of the program gain a degree which enables them to continue their graduate studies as well as to work in various types of private and public educational institutions or businesses. They are also employed in training centers.

CURRICULUM:

- Major Requirements
- Core Mathematics Courses
  Calculus I, II
  Differential Equations
  Linear Algebra and Analytic Geometry
  Algebra and Number Theory I, II
  Advanced Calculus (Complex Analysis and Functional Analysis)
  Applied Mathematics
- Core Computer Science
  Introduction to Computer Science
  Fundamentals of Computer Programming
  Programming Languages
  Computer Applications
  Computer Networks and Communications
  Database Management System
  Computer Graphics
  Multimedia Design
- Methods of Teaching
  Mathematics Education
  Computer in Education
- Major Elective Courses
- Practicum and Internship
BS in Chemistry and Biology Education

**Area of Studies:** Chemistry and Biology

**Length of studies:** 264 ECTS credits

**Qualification:** Bachelor of Science in Chemistry and Biology Education

**Overview**

The program is designed to prepare teachers of chemistry and biology with the deep knowledge and understanding of strong interconnection of chemical and biological processes and cutting-edge teaching and learning methods. Deep foundational knowledge acquired through face-to-face communication with academics is supported by research and practical skills obtained in the biology lab of the university.

**Career prospects:**

The graduates of the program find employment in various private and public education institutions as well as in environmental NGOs and the eco-tourism industry. They also are able to continue their university education on the graduate level.

**CURRICULUM:**

- **Major Requirements**
  - Core Chemistry Courses
    - General and Inorganic Chemistry
    - Organic Chemistry
    - Oil Chemistry
    - Physical Chemistry
    - Polymer Chemistry
    - Analytical Chemistry
    - Colloid Chemistry
    - Elective Chemistry Courses
  - Core Biology Courses
    - General Biology
    - Cytology, Histology and Embryology
    - Plant Physiology
    - Systematical Zoology
    - Human Anatomy
    - Systemic Botany
    - Human and Animal Physiology
    - Molecular Biology
    - Genetics
  - Elective Biology Courses
  - Methods of Teaching
    - Chemistry Teaching Methods
    - Biology Teaching Methods
  - Core Education Courses
  - Practicum and Internship
BA in History and Geography Education

**Area of Studies:** History and Geography

**Length of studies:** 264 ECTS credits

**Qualification:** Bachelor of Arts in History and Geography Education

**Overview**

This interdisciplinary program is designed for any student who has aspirations to teach history and geography at secondary schools or professional vocational schools. It develops deep knowledge of the subject and understanding of educational theories, policies and practice as well as advancing the professional and presentation skills of students for a successful career.

**Career Prospects:**

Graduates are employed in public and private secondary schools, colleges and vocational schools as teachers of geography and history. They can continue their graduate studies in universities with an emphasis on research in these fields.

**CURRICULUM:**

- **Major Requirements**
- **Core Geography Courses**
  - Earth Studies
  - Meteorology and Hydrology
  - Physical Geography of the World
  - Environmental Science
  - Physical Geography of Azerbaijan
  - Economic and Social Geography of Azerbaijan
  - Economic and Social Geography of the World
  - Elective Geography Courses
- **Core History Courses**
  - History of World Civilizations 1, 2
  - History of Azerbaijan 1, 2
  - History of Medieval Europe
  - History of Modern Europe
  - History of the Medieval and Modern East
  - Elective History Courses
- **Methods of Teaching**
  - History Teaching Methods
  - Geography Teaching Methods
- **Core Education Courses**
  - Introduction to Education
  - Basics of Educational Psychology
- **Practicum and Internship**
Area of Studies: Azerbaijani Language and Literature

Length of studies: 264 ECTS credits

Qualification: Bachelor of Arts in Azerbaijani Language and Literature Education

Overview

The program is designed to develop comprehensive knowledge and critical understanding of theories and practices of language and literature teaching. It provides a complete foundation in linguistics, language and literature teaching methodologies, assessment, and child psychology for teachers that shapes highly professional specialists.

Career prospects:

Graduates of the program are sought out for employment in public and private secondary schools as well as in colleges and vocational schools and training centers. They are also prepared for future graduate studies.

CURRICULUM:

• Major Requirements
• Required Language Courses
  Modern Azerbaijani Language 1, 2, 3
  Fundamentals of Linguistics
  History of the Azerbaijani Literary Language
• Required Literature Courses
  History of Azerbaijani Literature 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
  World Literature 1, 2, 3
• Required Education Courses
  Introduction to Education
  Basics of Educational Psychology
  Curriculum Instruction and Assessment Strategies
• Methods of Teaching
  Azerbaijani Language Teaching Methods
  Azerbaijani Literature Teaching Methods
• Major Elective Courses
• Practicum and Internship
MA in Azerbaijani Language

Area of Studies: Azerbaijani Language
Length of studies: 90 ECTS credits
Qualification: Master of Arts in Azerbaijani Language

Overview

The program is designed for those who wish to master their education in the Azerbaijani language by deepening knowledge of the phonetic, structural and semantic characteristics of the language. It offers flexibility in specializations including ancient, medieval or modern Azerbaijani language through advanced studies of its historical and contemporary contexts.

Career prospects:

The graduates of the program occupy academic or research positions in education institutions as senior instructors, heads of departments, or research fellows. They also find employment in other sectors as private tutors, writers, copy-editors, etc. Moreover, students are also prepared for their postgraduate studies.

CURRICULUM:

- Major Requirements
  Phonology
  Morphological Analysis
  Syntactic Theory
- Major Electives (Six of the following major elective courses are required):
  Sociolinguistics
  Structural Linguistics
  Psycholinguistics
  Ethno-linguistics
  Semantics
  Orkhun Turkish
  Comparative Historical Linguistics
  History of Azerbaijani Linguistics
  Applied Linguistics
  Linguistic Methods
  Azerbaijani Dialectology
  Onomastics
  Textual Criticism
  Historical Azerbaijani Grammar
  Historical Azerbaijani Dialectology
  Linguistic Typology
  Syntax
- Thesis
MA in Azerbaijani Literature

Area of Studies: Azerbaijani Literature
Length of studies: 90 ECTS credits
Qualification: Master of Arts in Azerbaijani Literature

Overview

The program is designed to provide in-depth study of the subject, with specializations in medieval and modern Azerbaijani literature as well as folklore. It develops advanced-level research, writing, analytical and critical thinking skills. The program covers all periods of Azerbaijani literature from its origins to the most recent developments and gives an ideal basis for further postgraduate studies, as well as for successful careers.

Career prospects:

There are various career prospects available for students who have completed this program. While many students are interested in pursuing a doctoral degree and teaching on a university, college or secondary school level, others go on to careers as copywriters, editors, journalists, novelists, reporters, specialists in public relations, and independent literary critics writing for print or online editions.

CURRICULUM:

• Major Requirements
  Theory of Literature
  Literary Critique (History and Theory)
  Modern Literary Process

• Major Electives (Six of the following major elective courses are required):
  Medieval Azerbaijani Literature
  “Ashig” Literature
  Study of “Dede Qorqud”
  Study of “Koroglu”
  Azerbaijani Dramaturgy
  20th Century Azerbaijani Prose
  20th Century Azerbaijani Poetry
  Literature of South Azerbaijan
  Middle Ages and Renaissance Western European Literature
  17th-18th Century Western European Literature
  19th-20th Century World Literature
  History of Russian Literature
  Creative Writing
  Poetry
  Literature and Aesthetics
  History and Theory of Translation
  Poetry and Philosophy
  Immigrant Literature

• Thesis
MA in Linguistics

Area of Studies: Linguistics
Length of studies: 90 ECTS credits
Qualification: Master of Arts in Linguistics

Overview

The program aims to give graduates a deep knowledge of modern theoretical linguistics and provide them with a well-rounded perspective on the field through the advanced understanding of its core areas such as phonetics, phonology, syntax and semantics. Students also study different methods of linguistics and develop academic and research skills they will apply in their future careers or postgraduate studies.

Career prospects:

There are wide ranges of career opportunities for the alumni of the program. They are highly employable as teachers in different educational institutions as well as practical lexicographers and researchers in the fields of phonetics, morphology and syntax. The strong verbal and academic writing skills developed through the program give graduates an opportunity to challenge themselves as editors, journalists or writers. Number of the graduates go on to PhD studies.

CURRICULUM:

- Major Requirements
  Phonology
  Morphological Analysis
  Syntactic Theory
- Major Electives (Six of the following major elective courses are required):
  Sociolinguistics
  Structural Linguistics
  Psycholinguistics
  Ethno-linguistics
  Semantics
  Orkhun Turkish
  Comparative Historical Linguistics
  History of Azerbaijani Linguistics
  Applied Linguistic
  Linguistic Methods
  Azerbaijani Dialectology
  Onomastics
  Textual Criticism
  Historical Azerbaijani Grammar
  Historical Azerbaijani Dialectology
  Linguistic Typology
  Syntax
- Thesis
MA in Educational Administration

Area of Studies: Education
Length of studies: 90 ECTS credits
Qualification: Master of Arts in Educational Administration

Overview
The program provides advanced knowledge in the field of education management and prepares professional educators for prominent leadership roles in secondary schools and other educational organizations of Azerbaijan. It is designed to build managerial skills for effective administration and secondary school leadership and to implement cutting-edge trends of the field in the educational system of the country.

Career prospects:
Educational Administration graduates have opportunities to hold administrative positions, undertake different projects and run public and private schools and other educational institutions and centers. They are also prepared to continue to postgraduate studies.

CURRICULUM:

• Major Requirements
  Introduction to Educational Administration and Supervision
  Assessment of Curriculum and Instruction
  Educational Economics and Planning
  Classroom Management and Instructional Leadership

• Major Electives (Six of the following major elective courses are required):
  Research Methods in Educational Administration
  Learning Processes
  School Administration and Supervision Practices
  Research Methods in School Administration
  Computers in Education
  Administration of Vocational/Technical Education
  School Guidance Services
  Educational Law
  Sociology
  Educational Psychology
  Education and Society
  Central and Local Administration
  Recreation in Education
  Theory and Practice in Educational Administration
  School Administration and Supervision Practices
The PhD program in Azerbaijani Literature is specifically designed for professionals who wish to continue their advanced studies on the doctorate level. This program includes study and practice of the subject and counseling research as well as application of theory and practice in the given field. The program provides students with the conceptual and interdisciplinary knowledge as well as academic writing and analytical skills needed to contribute to the education system of the country as a whole.
While I was a student at the School of Education, I found out the impressive flexible system of education that amused me. I was able to individually tailor the program that allowed me to do linguistics research and explore Azerbaijani culture at the same time. I also found the administration and the other students friendly. Khazar has become like a family during my time here.

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