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# **Student Senate Wishes**



#### Dear AUCA students and community!

The Student Senate of AUCA is glad to welcome returning students and all freshmen for the 2011-2012 academic year! We hope that everyone had a great summer break and is ready to make the most out of this year by studying well, participating in amazing and fun extracurricular activities, and enjoying every single day in the diverse and friendly world of AUCA.

Our special words of warm greetings go to the new students of our university. We hope that you will have a blast this year and have tons of smiles while you are a part of AUCA. The Student Senate is an independent body, which consists of Senators from the student community and works for the benefit of all students by representing them, protecting their rights, and organizing academic and non-academic activities at AUCA. We are eager to make your experience at AUCA more exciting and interesting, so feel free to share your ideas on how to improve your academic life at our university.

The Student Senate wishes each and every student at our university to have a great year and good luck in all your activities. It is always exciting to begin a new academic year and do our best in everything we do. We would like to remind you that the Student Senate is more than ready to work and meet all challenges to help our student body. Feel free to come and share ideas and views of your own. Together we are strong!

Izat Osmonov, PR-Committee Senator



**Dear First-Year Students!** 

It is a great pleasure to welcome you in AUCA and congratulate you with the first significant achievement of your life – becoming a student at the best university in Central Asia!

Your studies at AUCA will be challenging, but interesting and rewarding. Tune yourself to become a part of the exciting academic environment, where we foster risk taking and intellectual growth. It will become the place where a wonderful world of knowledge and wisdom will open its doors especially for you. This place will provide you with new and lasting friendships, not only with students, but also with professors and staff members. AUCA will soon become your second home!

Do not be afraid to take on the challenge and meet difficulties! We are here to help you in the pursuit of wisdom — the wisdom of knowledge, as well as the wisdom of life! AUCA professors, academic advisors, and student support staff members are happy to guide

you through the difficult, but exciting adventure of university life, and help you achieve your most daring goals!

Once again, congratulations! I wish you all the best during the most thrilling time of your life – your years at AUCA, a place where you can Build Your Future!

Good luck and best regards, Lira Djuraeva Associate Vice-President for Student Affairs



#### **Dear Freshmen 2011!**

I am so happy to welcome you to the most democratic and international university in the Kyrgyz Republic. During the orientation week you've demonstrated to us how positive, active and energetic you are and this is a good point to move further — to gain knowledge and start to develop your extracurricular skills.

Starting this academic year you are a member of our student community and day by day you will learn more about AUCA student life, which is definitely different from other universities.

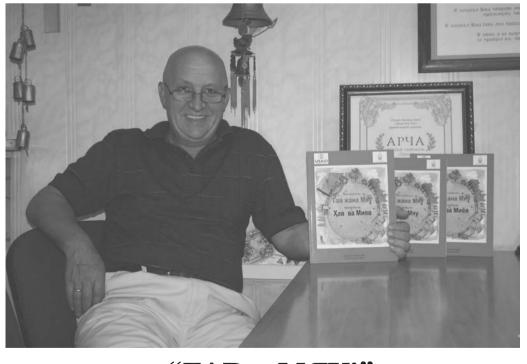
It was predictable to see your shocked faces on the first two days of orientation week. Some of you were so confused with our special AUCA spirit and the really strange behavior of our volunteers. But.... Believe me, next year you will replace them and the next stream will be shocked by you! This is what we say — the unique spirit of AUCA. Unfortunately it goes too fast, only four years and after graduating undoubtedly you will miss your

alma mater and all the memorable moments spent here.

So, welcome freshmen 2011! From now on AUCA is the main part of your student life! I hope this academic year will be fruitful for you in both academically and extracurricular.

If you have any problems, please be open, do not hesitate to ask, and come to our student affairs office we are ready to help you!

Sincerely, Your Student Coordinator, Adele Omuralieva



# "ГАВ и МЯУ!"

Several months ago, a contest was arranged between children's writers of Kyrgyzstan for the best children's story about tolerance and diversity. To our delight one of the three winners became our teacher of drama, and Dean of Student Affairs, Nikolai Shulgin with the fairy-tale "Гав и Мяу!"

New Star: We know that you write stories and songs, you have four books and two CD's, but fairy-tales. This is kind of surprise! We congratulate you!

NS: Let me also congratulate you and our community with the new academic year, and let it be the best year among others.

Winning the contest is a surprise for me also. I was just at a literary seminar where you had to necessarily write a fairy tale. I resisted as much as I could. But they made me write it. They said: «We let you drink free coffee for 4 days in our seminar. So - write.»

New Star: So coffee is a kind of a fee?:)

NS: Not only this. USAID and Aga Khan Fund arranged the contest, and translated all author's

works in English and send it to Europe, where the contest took place. And after all, they redeemed for a symbolic prize copyrights of the winners for three years. This is a social, not a business project. By the way a book was published in five languages, which was itself interesting for me.

New Star: Tell us, is it profitable to write books?

NS: No, in this heat it is profitable to trade beer. Writing the book is just interesting, especially if they are readable.

New Star: Are they readable?

NS: I have my own readers in Kyrgyzstan, Russia, and CIS countries. My stories are publishing in different magazines. It takes me my free time on writing. Next year I'm planning to publish new book, if natural laziness will let me.

New Star: How much does it cost to publish a book?

NS: It costs about \$1000. Sometimes, part of edition is paid by sponsors, from my old fans, but most of all, I take all expenses by myself. After all, book stores sell it. In general, book distribution is a boring thing.

New Star: Why doesn't AUCA sponsor any of your books?

NS: It is interesting idea, but, in my opinion, it became dead three years ago.

New Star: Do you have your readers in AUCA?

NS: Of course, I have, and not only readers. I am proud that I wrote near 20 songs about AUCA, and that our students sing it with a pleasure.

New Star: Will you record new CDs this year?

NS: Likely, yes. I'm afraid to overlook. I had written several songs. Now I need to find musicians, who will play it. HEY! I'm looking for some students, who play guitar, in order to record a disk with rock songs.

New Star: Thank you very much for the interview, we wish you creative success, and hope that our students, will be inspired to write something too.

NS: I also hope. Every year, I also arrange a literary contest for youth "Много языков — один мир!" ("Many languages, one world!") Soon, it will be announced the rules of the contest. Congratulate you all one more time, especially you, freshmen. And I hope, that on November, 9, on initiation Day, you will say: I'm glad that I entered the best university in the world, and I'm ready to study and LIVE in AUCA. And we all will repeat it right after them. Thank you!

# Пожелания от выпускников



Эльмира Абдрахманова, ВА-107

Фрешмены, ну вы попали! (Шучу) Поздравляю вас с тем, что вы поступили после упорной подготовки и суровых вступительных экзаменов. Радуйтесь тому, что попали в самый лучший университет нашей страны. Уж поверьте, знаний у вас будет предостаточно ко времени окончания! Главное — не ленитесь, успевайте

готовить задания к установленным «дедлайнам», не откладывайте все на потом, а также будьте активными и жизнерадостными. Что бы ни было, все будет хорошо! По себе знаю, трудностей в университетской жизни было немало, но главное не паниковать и двигаться дальше! Удачи Вам! Успехов!



Диля Айсаева, ЈМС-103

Дорогие фрешмены, или как вас еще будут называть, Freshmeat'ы! Завидую вам белой завистью, что у вас впереди самые лучшие студенческие годы в АУЦА! И хочу сразу дать каждому из вас совет – вберите в себя от нашего самого лучшего и доброго «универа» – ВСЕ! Участвуйте везде, лезьте во все кружки, конкурсы и секции, пропадайте до позднего вечера в библиотеках и «лабах» - там безумно весело, не как в обычных скучных библиотеках! Цените каждую минуту, проведенную в стенах нашего уютного АУКа, во внутреннем дворике, во всех «кичинетах» - этого вам потом ни за что не вернуть. Через четыре года, вы, как и многие «аламники», будете приходить сюда и вдыхать особый неповторимый ауковский воздух и просто вспоминать, как вам было хорошо здесь, у себя дома. Ну и, конечно, не забывайте учиться: GPA, кредит-часы, «иксы», «дропы» и много-много непонятных терминов, от которых будет зависеть ваше моральное состояние. Слезы, смех, радость, разочарование, нервные срывы, необъятное счастье, взаимная и безответная любовь, друзья, приятели, новые знакомства, преподаватели, которые станут учителями и лучшими друзьями для вас, самопознание и самореализация – вот что уготовил вам АУЦА! Цените это уже сейчас

и наслаждайтесь своими самыми прекрасными и беззаботными годами, которые вам никогда не вернуть! Уважайте труд всех, кто работает в АУЦА: от технички и садовника до заведующих кафедрами и президента, а самое главное, не забывайте «трепать нервы» своим талантом самому лучшему и неповторимому Шульгину НГ!

С самыми наилучшими пожеланиями, Лиля



#### Оксана Коваленко, ВА-107

Поздравляю вас, фрэши! Теперь ваша жизнь изменится! Звучит угрожающе?! Не торопитесь пугаться, все перемены придутся вам по вкусу!

Есть что-то магическое в этом...попадая сюда однажды, вы навсегда останетесь студентом АУЦА, и это замечательно! АУЦА – это друзья, преподаватели, знания, которые будут с вами всегда

В первые учебные дни присутствует доля волнения, вам все покажется новым,

местами затруднительным, но вскоре станет неотъемлемой частью вас. Вам никогда не стоит сдаваться – и это мой первый

совет. Рядом всегда найдутся люди, готовые помочь справиться со всеми трудностями. Преподавательский состав будет отличным от ваших школьных учителей: появятся новые требования, от вас будут ожидать отдачи, и все это подкрепится поддержкой и готовностью помочь со стороны профессоров. По окончании университета, устраиваясь на работу и получая высшие баллы, вы мысленно и в письмах будете им благодарны.

В АУЦА вы встретите людей, с которыми преодолеете все трудности вместе (трудности, включающие в себя final по статистическому анализу или финансовому учету). Проводя время вместе, одногруппники станут вам близкими друзьями, с которыми вы далее пойдете по жизни.

Переходя к практической части, с радостью дам несколько советов: всегда внимательно следите за количеством кредит-часов и предметов, которые вы выбираете. Если что-то не вышло должным образом с первого раза, помните, что всегда есть возможность "to start over again", например, взять предмет еще раз и исправить оценку. Будьте внимательны и старательны – это ключ к достижению академических успехов.

Никогда не сомневайтесь в ваших целях. Достигайте высот. Верьте в себя. Каждый из вас выбрал определенное направление, и я желаю каждому стать блестящим специалистом в вашей сфере!

Удачи на вашем пути и…все получится!!!

**P.S.** Я помню свою первую неделю – была в числе волонтеров на Orientation Week и хочу сказать - это чувство хочется переживать вновь и вновь. Если бы мне пришлось сделать выбор еще раз, я не раздумывая остановилась на MyAuca...



#### Вячеслав Акименко, ЕСО-107

Дорогие фрешмены!

Ну вот и кончилась Orientation week и началась учеба... Мне было очень приятно наблюдать за тем, как вы носились по АУКу перед учебой и как проходил первый день вашего пребывания в АУЦА. И как всегда, как это было на протяжении 4-х лет, на каждом углу от sophomoroв, junioroв и senioroв я слышал что-то вроде: «Опять эти фрешмены! Как они надоели!» Да-да! Это и есть АУК, в котором фрешменов не любят уже до того, как они приходят в него))) Но, не

унывайте! Ведь всех вас ждет как минимум 4 года веселой и насыщенной жизни ;)) Не бойтесь старшекурсников, они не кусаются, не бойтесь midtermoв, finaloв, paperoв - они сдаются, не бойтесь себя - ВЫ можете все!



#### Рейна Артурова, SOC-107

Дорогие фрешмэны!

Почти все аламники говорят, что 4 года в нашем университете пролетели незаметно и очень быстро....Это Обман! Не верьте! Эти годы ОЧЕНЬ заметные и поистине настоящие 1080 дней университетской жизни. Поверьте мне, вы прочувствуете каждый день, будь то радость от хороших оценок, усталость на парах после ночной вечеринки или обычный день с обычными парами... Вы однозначно это прочувствуете! Ребята, единственное, что я вам пожелаю – получать все самое ценное из стен либеральных искусств! Не робейте, участвуйте в мероприятиях, ходите на все официальные вечеринки, подавайте на конференции и летние

школы, общайтесь с интересными людьми, которыми заполнен университет... Верьте в себя, в АУЦА поступают НЕ случайные студенты!

Материал подготовила Светлана Верченко

# Вся правда об Orientation Week 2011

Еще одна ориентационная неделя завершилась и произвела фурор на фрешменов в стенах АУЦА и за его пределами. Orientation Week 2011 не оставил ни одного фрешмена равнодушным, ведь принимали участие все — первокурсники, студенты постарше и даже сам президент АУЦА, Эндрю Вахтел. Для тех, кто пропустил столь знаменательное событие, сообщаю, что на этот раз были все «фишки» АУЦА: и обливание на старой площади, и традиционный «Funky chicken», и виноградная церемония.

Но, как всегда бывает в жизни, есть и такие первокурсники, которым столь насыщенная неделя пришлась не по вкусу. Вашему вниманию представляю разные мнения фрешменов об Orientation Week 2011 (как уже писала – равнодушных в этом деле нет).



Чингиз Юлдашев, SWE-111

1. Все было хорошо. Сперва мне не понравилось то, что были домашние задания, так как раньше другие фрешмэны ничего не делали, но спасибо за это, потому что задания оказались полезными. Сейчас понимаю, что мне это помогло.

- 2. Мне показалось, что это сатанинский обряд какой-то. Все выглядело совсем неадекватно. Первый раз мне вообще не хотелось в этом участвовать. Я слышал слова игры и поэтому не мог ничего делать ржал. Это что-то вроде обряда посвящения, который должен остаться, конечно. Было весело.
- 3. Меня не было в тот день, я проспал из-за «домашки», которую задали в «универе» и которую я делал всю ночь.
- 4. «Ауцаграфия» это мероприятие, которое заставило всех сплотиться и познакомиться, лучше узнать друг друга. Мне она понравилась. Ну а если на самом деле сказать мне пофиг.
- 5. 5 дней это нормально. Если честно, в субботу должен был уехать в Алмату, но не уехал из-за АУЦА и этой шестидневки (хотя в субботу все равно не пришел я).
- 6. Да вроде, все прошло нормально, я бы ничего не убирал, и лекции оставил, потому что они помогают. Мне все понравилось. Пусть следующие фрешмены тоже помучаются.



Андрей Пак, ЕСО-111

1. Мне понравилось и не понравилось одновременно. Было весело, но больше на русском языке все проводилось, а не на английском, хотя

должно было быть наоборот.

- 2. Если честно, мне сначала послышалось «f\*\*\*\*\*chicken», поэтому первое впечатление было шокирующим, а так «говорилка» эта классная.
- 3. Я не знаю, что это. В этот день я проспал, честно говоря, так что с утра меня не было.
- 4. Мы много двигались, и это было отлично. Узнал, что такое 104 и 105 комнаты, понял, наконец-то, что такое шейпинг. И вообще, было весело.
- 5. Если бы не было сессий, было круго, можно и 7 дней сделать тогда. Шестой день был самым классным, потому что не было никаких лекций.
- 6. Я бы устроил намного меньше сессий, а то три в день это многовато. Добавил бы день, когда рассказывают про ауцашние игры, типа «психологического ежика». Те, кто не умеет играть в нее, ждем вас в летнем дворике.

## Материал подготовила Зарина Алиева



вопросы:

- 1.Тебе понравилась Orientation Week?
- 2.Как тебе понравилась игра «Funky Chicken»?
- 3.Скажи свои впечатления о «If I was not upon the stage»?
- 4.Самая активная игра этой недели «Ауцаграфия». Какие у тебя впечатления?
- 5. Тебя не смутило, что Orientation Week длится 6 дней? Не многовато?
- 6. Что бы ты добавил в ориентационную неделю (или же наоборот убрал)?

# ORIENTATION WEEK 2011



# Day 1

August 15th 7.30-8.00 a.m. AUCA's main and west entrances begin to look like assembly points for Freshmen arriving to their new university. Loud music, people in red T-shirts with You are not alone printed on them, advisers sitting at tables surrounded by piles of packed folders... "What does this all mean?" One might think. Oh ves, this is the first day of Orientation Week! At first, the atmosphere on the Old Square is reminiscent of chaos with the fuss, bustle, slogans screamed out, and walking arm-inarm with strangers for the purpose of making a human chain, which was a sizeable barrier for drivers. But as soon as everyone got into CH-1, the situation for our first-year students began to brighten. Volunteers appeared at the scene with a special show organized in the framework of an opening ceremony containing tricky performances, beloved AUCA's songs, and other positive aspects. In the afternoon volunteers brought joy to freshmen by presenting the useful and amusing game of AUCA Graphia.



# Day 2

This year Orientation Week has been innovative in many ways and one of the most distinguishing features became 'warming up,' brief video reports about the previous days of OW. Starting on Tuesday almost every day anyone could come to CH-1 and enjoy watching the shorts and looking for familiar faces on the screen. And since the second day of OW was named Body Moving, it was full of outdoor activities like community service and several water competitions, running about the Oak Park, searching for garbage, dumping out the waste-bins, washing the monument, and even giving luster to it. All these things are what Body Moving day was about. According to tradition outdoor games ended by throwing cold water on everyone.





# Day 3

Another important part of OW is first-year students' introduction to AUCA's Unique Spirit by watching a special performance. One example, which had a tragic finale, was presented by volunteers on stage. The reason for performing such a scene was to involve freshmen in it and trying to have them change the course of the situation for the better. Fortunately, expectations of organizers were surpassed and the new AUCA students took an active role in creating a happy end to the situation. Help, support, finding compromises, and sharing joy and sorrow with each other... It's almost impossible to describe Unique Spirit of AUCA or give a concrete definition for it. One must just understand and then realize what it feels like.



# Day 4

As for Thursday, during almost the whole day students were busy with their sessions and with signing up for classes. Room 403 and CH-1 were full of freshmen, surrounding professors and office managers from different departments. Usually the longest line is at the Natural Sciences Department, but this year was different - the English Language Department's line of students outnumbered all the others. A huge crowd of students seemed to be almost erratic, but unsparing of their vocal cords, volunteers had no choice, but only shout at freshmen for the last ones to stand in one line or take their seats in the hall. The program of the day continued with important meetings for international and non-local students about visa, registration, and accommodation issues. So that the whole day did not end on a boring note, there was a battle between the President of AUCA, Andrew Wachtel, volunteers, and freshmen who previously to won another game during Body Moving day. It was all a second part of Body Moving day, but on a smaller scale. The President could not attend this activity on Tuesday so it was decided to make his wish to be poured with water come true.

# Day 5

Star Academy, another essential part of OW was held on Friday, and CH-1 once again was crammed with a great number of people. All our multicolored teams were ready to perform on the stage and show off their best talents. Volunteers have been preparing with their teams since the beginning of the week so each crew didn't have much time for preparation. However, the results of their laborious job were striking. Each group gained a team prize in the form of a fancy cake. Also there were marked independent talents from each colored group, and everyone out of those nine students got tickets to the Freshman Party.



# Day 6

The Closing Ceremony was held on the same dynamic level as the rest of the week, and afterwards everyone went to AUCA's backyard and enjoyed two minutes of eating and 20 of throwing grapes at each other. At the end of the grapes battle the yard seemed to have more in common with a minefield and not a quiet rest place anymore. The program for Saturday continued with a Street ball tournament held in front of the university. Afterwards multicolored teams played short matches and gained their just prizes. International and non-local students alike then took an opportunity to go on a bus excursion across the city.



# Day 7

The large scale of AUCA parties are well-known almost all over Bishkek, and of course, the Freshman Party 2011, which was held by Nursultan Anarbekin and Ilias Nurmambetov, in Tunnel club, wasn't an exception. A well-organized grandiose show by our host Nikita Menshov was enjoyed by AUCA students and their friends. Special guests like Assol Moldokmatova, Let's Dance Studio, and The Rolls created a furor and an atmosphere of a real festival. Dance contests, demonstration of a clothing collection, presentation of the soundtrack to the long-waited movie Bishkek, I Love You, and good old songs performed by The Rolls. All these things were component parts of a program created especially for the Freshmen Party. And even though a lot of students had their first classes at 8 a.m. the next morning, this didn't stop them, and the dance floor was rocked by an excited crowd till the very end of the party.



Unfortunately Orientation Week has come to an end, and I consider this article to be one of the best ways to call to all freshmen and thank everyone for taking part in this awesome event. In the name of the volunteers I thank those people who encouraged all of us during the whole week with prepared performances, competitions, and all other activities. Encouragement from people for whom all this was prepared was really important for us. Some freshmen said they were already excited during the Opening Ceremony and that they were ready to join the volunteers on stage. From that moment we could understand that our efforts weren't in vain, and we really hope that each freshman didn't like but love this great week!

A new academic year comes to take the place of Orientation 2011, I want to wish everyone good luck in their studies and upcoming activities. And once again dear freshmen, as our art-manager Kseniya Minkova mentioned, don't forget to show your worth during your whole student life the same way you have shown during OW, because as have understood this is not the end, this is only the beginning. And, don't forget to direct your outstanding spirits to your studies.

This Orientation Week was another example of a great job done by organizers, professors, volunteers and first-year students. So, that's what you get when you begin to understand what AUCA's Unique Spirit feels like! Dear freshmen, we sincerely congratulate you with on becoming official students of AUCA!

# A head for business. A heart for the World





# SIFE background

Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) is a global non-profit organization in partnership with higher education at more than 1500 universities in over 40 countries. SIFE challenges university students by preparing them to make meaningful contributions toward a better world as business leaders, and to address real world economic issues in their communities. SIFE instills in its members a spirit of entrepreneurship, mandate based economics, financial literacy, environmental sustainability, and success skills. SIFE teams develop projects that specifically meet the communities' unique needs by taking what they have learned about business in the lecture rooms and using it to solve problems in the real world.

SIFE team members use their educational experiences, faculty advisors expertise, support from their local business advisory boards, and institutions resources to implement programs that create real economic opportunities for members of their communities. The effectiveness of their programs is judged in competition. Each national SIFE organization conducts a national competition, which is judged by leaders from their business community. At competitionteams present the results of their educational outreach projects and compete to determine which team was most successful at creating economic opportunities for others. National champion teams advance to the SIFE World Cup. In addition to the community aspect of the program, SIFE's leadership and career initiatives create meaningful opportunities for learning and exchange among the participants as well as



the placement of students and alumni with companies in search of emerging talent.

### **Mission of SIFE**

"To bring together the top leaders of today and tomorrow to create a better, more sustainable world through the positive power of business."

### SIFE in Kyrgyzstan

SIFE appeared in 1996 to the Kyrgyz-American faculty (then known as American University of Kyrgyzstan) at the Kyrgyz National University. The SIFE- center in Kyrgyzstan coordinates university teams, organizes seminars, trainings, conducts national competitions every year for local teams, and provides teams the information about SIFE movement in the world. At the moment there is a SIFE movement in all 7 regions covering 28 universities.

#### **SIFE at AUCA**

SIFE was introduced at the American University of Kyrgyzstan in 1996. In line with its main goals, SIFE AUCA is mainly focusing on education outreach projects and community developments, and creating economic opportunities for others in the community. In 2001 the AUCA SIFE team won the National Competition and participated in the First World Cup in London, England. After this SIFE AUCA represented Kyrgyzstan in the World Cup 6 times. In 2006 SIFE AUCA took 2nd place on World Cup in Paris, France.

# **Our Projects and Results**

Duringthe 2010-2011 academic year SIFE AUCA implemented two projects. The first wasBusiNEXT that SIFE AUCA effectively empowered students by teaching them business principals and economics, developing leadership, and communication skills through writing business plans. SIFE conducted trainings onstructuring business plans for more than 200 students who live and study inDordoi, Novopavlovka,Maevka districts, and other Novostroiki communities for two weeks. USAID/OTI sponsored the project for \$43,000. The trainings motivated students to use the knowledge they learned and start working.

The second project wasVillagement which focused on the Chon Kemin area. Normal villagers and local businessmen participated in an open dialog, providing the program with essential information. After the dialog, we came up with a strategy for developing the area. That year we focused only on two out of five villages, Kalmak-Ashuu and Shabdan. We found people in need and created new opportunities for them to build up sustainability in their community.

In 2010-2011 academic year SIFE AUCA covered 12



schools, training more than 200 high school students. SIFE AUCA directlyimpacted over 170 people, more than 500 indirectly, spent 3240 hours to make the projects into reality, and earned over \$2000.

#### SIFE WORLD CUP

The next international competions will be held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia where SIFE IIIEP (National University) represents Kyrgyzstan. From our team AnatoliyFedorenko BA 110 and AdiletKanymet BA 109 will attend SIFE World Cup 2011 competition in Malaysia. About 40 countries around the world will compete to become SIFE World Cup Champions and we wish good luck to SIFE IIIEP team.

This year SIFE AUCA team has succeeded through partnering with several organizations, businessmen and companies. Although, our team took third place during the National Exposition we will strive forward making better projects. We would like to express our gratitude to SIFE AUCA Alumni, AUCA Administration, Faculty and Business Advisers and our parents who always encourage us to make our country better place.

By Asel Suimenalieva



# **HOT ISSUE**

«The New Star» Newspaper conducts a research between the students of AUCA: «WHY DON'T I USE AUCA MAIL?» and «WHAT DO WE NEED IN ORDER TO MAKE STUDENTS USE AUCA MAIL?» We are waiting for your suggestions. You can come to 104 room or write on n.anarbaeva@gmail.com. Your suggestions will be published in the next issue of «The New Star.»

Газета «The New Star» проводит исследование среди студентов АУЦА: «Почему вы не пользуетесь АУЦА мэйлом?» и «Что нам нужно для того, чтобы студенты АУЦА пользовались АУЦА мэйлом?» Мы ждем ваших предложений. Со своими предложениями вы можете прийти в 104 комнату или писать на n.anarbaeva@gmail.com. Ваши предложения будут опубликованы в следующем номере газеты.



## Песенка студентов АУЦА

«Достали» нас requirements, classes и кредиты,

Мы ведь не всезнайки, не сильно эрудиты...

От такого learning можно и «загнуться», Но не унывает совсем студент АУЦА!

Идёт вперед студент, и цель его ясна! И он всё "overcomes"! Ведь он из АУЦА! Бороться и to study – задача так проста, For our every student – в стенах АУЦА.

#### Припев:

Ты- наша Alma Mater – родной AUCA! И не было периода в жизни веселей! Forever нас сдружила учёба в АУЦА, Ты с нами Универ, together – навсегда!

Как много у нас дел, совсем невпроворот, Концерт, футбол, сенат, New Star, поход... Midterm, зачёт, провал – экзамен на носу, Успех, восторг, завал – я "fail" не перенесу!..

И, всё-таки, вот "Final" – заветный мой диплом!

Теперь по жизни мы пойдем смелей вдвоём.

Thank you! –учителям, спасибо Универ! You can be proud of us, докажем, нам поверь!

### Припев:

Ты – наша Alma Mater – родной AUCA! И не было периода в жизни веселей! Куда б нас не забросило – с нами навсегда

Наш гордый Универ, красавец АУЦА!

Т. Тюлегенов, 2011

Объявляется конкурс среди студентов на написание музыки к словам! По всем вопросам обращаться в комнату 104

# BOXES

Heeey, Girlzzz and Boyzzz add me: Facebook.com/alinur17 i witter.com@nurs\_znan Vk.com/alinur17 Gtalk: nurs.aliev Skype: alinur17

Кто-то спер коробку "Boxes," кажись это фрешмэны...

Спасибо Меше за то, что убралась в 104))) ты моя хозяюшка))))) Нурсултан, тебе на заметку...)))

The black team #1, we are crash everyone!!! YAHOO!!!

Dana Konushbaeva, you ROCK! Your volunteer

Водители автомашин В 0088 ВІ, Е 9898 Е, В 4422 АВ снимите тонировку со стекол. На вас дана наводка ГУБДД

Разыскивается симпатичный фрешмен из черной группы. Ты клевый!

Professor Robert Anderson! We will miss you, have a good flight! BA-108

# Freshmen 2011 - Opinions

# **Questions:**

- 1. How did you come to AUCA on the
- 2. How have did you spend Orientation
- 3. Which volunteers did you like the
- **4.** Which day did you like most?
- **5.** Describe Orientation week in one
- **6.** What would you tell yourself if you were Andrew Wachtel? What would you say about Orientation Week?
- 7. Where did you spend your
- **8.** What do you expect from your first year at AUCA?
- **9**. Where do you prefer to eat, Bravo or Kichinet?
- **10.** Have you finished your study
- 11. What would you do with volunteers on the stage in CH-1?

### Ulukbek, BA

- By minibus 1.
- 2. It has been very exiting
- Of course, Adilet (baike) 3.
- Watering or registration 4.
- 5. Craziness
- 6. Fell like King of monkeys
- At home, in front of TV 7.
- 8. The same from Orientation week
- 9. Bravo
- 10. Yes
- Throw grapes at them

### Unknown person, Eco

- By marshrutka(range rover))) 1.
- SUPPPEEERR!:-) 2.
- 3. Adikruleeezzzz
- 4. 1-st
- 5. Craazyy
- 6. Freshman are crazy
- 7. At home
- 8. Good grades
- Don't matter))) 9.
- YEP 10.
- 11. HAVE FUN

### Michael, Anth.

- I was a little bit frightened, but when I saw some of my friends I relaxed and after that every thing was fun
- Orientation week was awesome no words. It was crazy)))
- 3. Our volunteer was the best, Nursultan
- 4. Of course all but If only one, it

### would be Friday

- Undescribablelele)) 5.
- 6. Hey, you are the president of **AUCA**
- Its an Interesting question, I 7. was spending my summer in Issyk-Kul and in my bus because we were making performances and after that we were shaping in the bus.
- I expect something interesting and funny.

### Nurbek, IBL

- By friends car 1.
- Great! It was interesting 2.
- 3. Sergey and Alexey rulezzz
- Every day except Thursday 4.
- 5. Unforgettable
- Wazzzzuuuppp!? 6. Amusement park AUCA
- On Issyk-Kyl of corse 7.
- 8. Lots of homework and fun
- 9. **Bravo**
- 10. Two day ago
- Have fun with them 11.

### Andrei Park, Eco

- On my boots lol)
- It was fun
- 3. Julia Coi, Zarina, Nikita, Adilya, Sergey and All
- First 4.
- 5.
- 6. Chaos in a good way. Freshman
- week
- **USA** 7.
- New friends 8.
- 9. **Bravo**
- 10.
- Make them dance

# Margarita, Eco

- By car
- Cool, extremely funny 2.
- **Everybody** 3.
- 2nd day 4.
- 5.
- 6. Do your best and study. A week of fun
- All summer in kg\kz 7.
- 8. A lot of difficulties
- 9. **Bravo**
- Yep finally 10.
- Sing a final song

# Diana, ICP

- 2. Awesome)))
- 4. 5.
  - Awesome. Feel like a boss

1. By car

8.

9.

10.

11.

Adel

- Awesome 2. Lera
- 3rd day 4.
- Crazy!!!! 5.
- 6. I wanna лепешка с майонезом!))) CCP(concourse of crazy people)))

On the baseball field

Active life

Funky chicken

**Bravo** 

Yep

- UAE, Issik-Kyl 7.
- 8. **FUN**
- 9. As there is no лепешка с
- майонезом nowhere
- 10. Kiss all of them))) 11.

# Meerim

- By father's car
- It was amazing
- 3. Tagai
- First 4. 5.
- TBU (The Best University) 7. In Issik-Kyl and all universities in Bishkek
  - 8.
- 9. I am fasting
- 10. Yes
- Hug them

#### **Zhanzada** By marshrutka

- In general not bad, especially "body moving day", but I did not like sessions.
- Adilet(BA) and Aijan 3.
- "body moving" (the 2nd day)
- It was unpredictable You are lucky because you study in
- AUCA. Since this moment you are part of us (AUCA). Left the same In Issik-Kyl
  - Meet with different people. Get
- more knowledge Of course, kitchenette! 10. Yes, I think I was the first freshman,
- who finished 11. Dance
- P.S. It would be better, if in Orientation week were dancing competitions, because I met a lot of students who really want to dance and express themselves by this. Best wishes, Kalykova Zhanzada.

# **Material prepared by Sergei Kim**

Наргиза, носи линзы! Не пугай лосей в лесу!

ее что аж пипец! Вредный волонтер

А фрешмены в этом году богатые. Все прям с нотниками. Может загрузить их на лавэшку? X)

Ксюша, больше так не злись! А то фрешей следующих распугаешь!))) ХАХАХА. Наша Ксюша молодец, любим мы

НЕПРАВДА! Красивых парней в АУЦА много! Открой глаза, Сабина)))

Ой, все такие активные... Такие позитивные, веселые. Все сидят в Браво, все прям улыбаются. Фрешмены – это традиция. Вы по-любому нас бесите)))

Бексултан Шамиев, я слышала, что ты сделал предложение

Маша, Айжанка, Инара, Алия, Жамиля, Жылдыза, Жибб и Вита, удачи вам с дипломкой! Вы самые красивые и умные, вы наполняете светом аудитории и вдохновляете нас на подвиги! Ваши покорные мужчины- Ильяс, Турар, Бексултан Шамиев, Эмиль, Рафаэль, Макс, Андрей:)

Бекс Шамиев, когда пойдем снимать фильм про менязайчика и тебя-собаку???? xD

УЛУКБЕКОВ, ты не пушка, ОРОЗБАЕВ ты старик!!!!!!

ЭРЬКААА, женись на мне. Твоя подруга детства)))

Айдар Койчуманов, Я ТЕБЕ НЕ ВЕРЮ! Айбек Орозбаев, ты не ХЬЮШКА

Давайте станцуем танго на Commencement

Juniors and Seniors! Теперь мы вас понимаем. Простите нас за посиделки в Браво, в Сайленсе, в Кичи во время того, как вы писали свои ресерчи и эссе. Фреши достали!!! Вредный

- By car 1.
- 3. Every one black team Water tight, Star academy
- 6.

Блииин, не хватает Айдара и Кости. Но хоть эта жирная безвкусная тупица больше не нозит.

Каныкей, это правда? АААУУУУ! КУПИТЕ освежитель воздуха в туалет! Запарили!!!

Dear BA-108 girls, Назгуля, Аселя, Каныкей, Мээрим, Умида, Настя, Саша, Катя, Жибек, Саида, Каныкей, Айдай,

# SUMMER ADVENTURES

#### SVETLANA VERCHENKO: Dubai Photography Experience Pushed Me Forward

Dreams are the engine of our life. I strongly believe this. Everything comes from the mind. When you want somethingstrongly, you get

I have been doing photography for as long as I can remember myself. From the time I got my first simple camera I started expressing myself and how I see the world around me through pictures. I could just dream about working with gurus of photography in the fashion industry one day. To me it seemed I had to be self-confident for my level to get this kind of chance.

This spring famous Dubai photographer HershChadha visited AUCA and conducted a series of photography workshops. And there I went. Taking notice of him, with two other students andI together spent an unforgettable weekpracticingphotography, working with Hersh and professional Kyrgyz models.

Time passed quickly, and I hadn't noticed how my summer photography internship came. Five hours in a plane and I breathed the sauna air of Emirates and met my Dubai mentorsandfriends.

The next three weeks were the most exciting and photographically-

productive in my life. Two photosets per day together with theoretical materials (such as specialized readings and films given to us by our professor) and absolute abstraction from everyday Bishkek concerns made me absolutely immersed in the photography atmosphere, a feeling I wish to never loose.

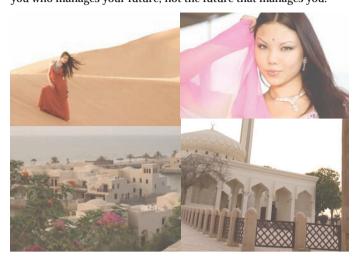
In the morning, we visited the most beautiful places of Dubai, photographed them, and had photo-shoots with models on the return. We had the chanceto try different types of photography, not only fashion, and that was wonderful. With this opportunity I decided the branches of photography I wanted to work

I'm grateful to the person who found something in me last spring and offered me this unique internship. It was worth the months of practicing, and it was equal to years of learningtheory. ProfessorChadha transferred his believe in me as a photographer into my heart and showed me where to go. Now I know my abilities, have no limits, and I understand what I'm looking for both in photography and in life.

This internship pushed me forward, this summer helped determine my future.

As my photography teacher, who provided me this wonderful internship, Professor Chadha says, "future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams."

Dream, try, and make everyday a crucial one. Step by step, you'll approach something you are dreaming about.Believe, and it will be you who manages your future, not the future that manages you.





# DIANA TAKUTDINOVA: "Kazan- you are not the city, you are the Legend"

Morning on the hottest July, a cup of tea and the "TNV" channel on the television. Soon the plane left Kazan for Bishkek. In my head all my impressions about Kazan are scrolled. A little bit sadly to leave, but already desiring to go home.

It is a pity to leave the narrow and sometimes wide streets, on which teenagers, moms with children, and old men slowly walk after a heavy day. Kind and sympathetic people, but when you ask them something, more often they answer "Без понятия" (no idea). In Kazan, every street has its own story; ancient buildings with millennia of history make you proud that this is your native land.

Kul-Sharif mosque. Majestic and proud Kul-Sharif mosque. It is possible to look at it eternally and you would never be tired. In a mosque you forget about everything, in your head is a feeling of a full breeze.

Pigeons. Thick fat pigeons, who are fed by all who feel like it. They coo, go in the steams, and never fly.

Buses. You come in, you sit down in back. It never has happened that the bus has been hammered to exhaustion. It is often possible to hear the Tatar speak there. The conductor approaches, you pay him and he tears off a ticket where "18 rubbles" is written. Each stop is sounded like "Сафиуллин урамы тукталышы" (Safyullin upami tuktalishi) ог "Бир туган Касимов урамы туктлышы" (Byr tugan Kasimov urami tuktlishi). With time, I learned each stop by heart.

The Tatar language. A dialect which you can recognize everywhere. Madly fast and not clear. Accent, such words as "Айда" (Ayda) and "Ваще" (Vasche), with the voice increasing on the last vowel, those words are instantly stuck to your tongue.

Green mosques. In each area, in each settlement or village there is

a Tatar mosque. High, green minarets, from where you can hear the beautiful singing of Azan after which unconsciously tears are thread.

Абики are lovely, kind grandmothers in white scarves tied in a Tatar

way. From them glows kindness, love, and caring. They bear the spirit

that still in them from those old times, spirit of the Tatar people.

The European and Eastern cultures live together favorably. They have found themselves here, in the Republic of Tatarstan. Here, you can see a Mosque, and 50 meters away there is a Church. The Tatar cafe Bilyar, and nearby McDonald's. A tasty batch of signboards for shaurma, pizza, and grill are hanged out on city streets. Here everyone can find their own taste.

Theatres, libraries, universities, here there is a large quantity of them. Roads are all under construction to the University games for 2013. There are many migrants from Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, and Kyrgyzstan. Basically, all of them work in bazaars or on buildings. If not them, then who? Therefore, thanks to them very much for doing this work.

From day to day, I began to get used to Kazan more and more. I got used to its sizes, habits, roads, behavior, weather, religions, stoppers, and a rhythm of life.

Allah birsia, I will come back to the land of my ancestors over and over again. And one more time to stand near the walls of the Great Kremlin, to look at a beautiful tower of Suyuymbike, and to pray in KulSharif mosque.

Здесь мне спокойно, здесь все свои, но я, пока что чужая среди них.

Казань

Ты будешь в сердце всегда- Казань!

Дворцы, мечети, церкви- Казань!

Твой облик выше всего, поверь! И вряд ли кто посмеет пред тобой закрыть свою дверь!

Красота, история, стройка- Казань! Европейско-восточная сила- Казань!

Ты будешь стоять ещё много веков,

Ведь ты, земля наших предков, отцов. Татарский народ будет память хранить

И наша Казань здесь всегда будет жить!

(c) Diana Takutdinova

#### MEERIM MARAT KYZY, ALTYNAI DONBAEVA, DILFUZA KARABAEVA: Turkey - Great Opportunity to Study and Travel

Are you still ignoring Career Center Service's mail? Dear friends, you are losing some great opportunities for exciting experiences! This summer Ozyegin University became an AUCA partner university and invited our students to participate in an international summer program in Istanbul!

Three lucky girls, Meerim Marat kyzy, BA-108, Altynai Donabaeva, ECO-108, and Dilfuza Karabaeva, SOC-108, received from AUCA the Travel Grant Opportunity scholarship and spent a whole month in a capital of empires past, learning Turkish language and history, traveling, and having an unforgettable experience.

"We loved the city shortly after we landed. Everything was great. We became good friends with program coordinators, classmates, professors and we are getting in touch with them and hope to see them all again," the girls said.

Ozyegin University (OzU) is a non-profit, state-recognized higher education institution with an international outlook situated in Istanbul, Turkey. OzU is a new private university, and has preparatory, undergraduate and graduate programs. The international summer program was first organized in 2010 and is focused on international students and aims to familiarize them with Turkish culture and history. It includes 10 lectures, 10 seminars, and field trips. The students visited famous historical places in Istanbul such as the Blue Mosque, Hagia Sophium Museum, Topkapi Palace, Basilica Cistern, and the Taksim district. It also include the trip to the capital of Turkey, Ankara.

"It was a great time I spent in Istanbul, I had a lot of fun, and I met new friends from other countries. I visited a lot of fascinating places, which I heard and dreamed about. Also we visited Istanbul Aquarium, the biggest thematic aquarium in the world, Miniaturk Park— a park of sightseeing miniatures, and Prince's Islands, where we tasted their waffles and ride bicycles," Altynai Donbaeva said.

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