
Reforms, measures and innovations, which were done during 2014 in area of university education.

There were defined the main priorities of reforms, which will be conducted by Ministry of Education in 2014 year.

The main priorities are to create Sabah groups (educated, smart, qualified); to provide efficient activity of educational institutions; to update methods, which are being used in forming of plan about accepting students; to prepare criterions of universities selection, which will take part in state order; to provide modern resources training, which is comply with the level of economical improvement of country; to make new review of studying programs (standards) in order to compare them with documents, which are being applied in Europe. Such tasks as the creation intercollegiate committee for realizing Bologna process; formation the mechanism of occupational choices for enrollees; integration secondary schools, professional and secondary specialized schools to the educational institutions (academies, universities); start to apply credits of education as a pilot version in order to increase possibilities of students from poor families to get university education; updating of standard base of rules, which regulates activity of educational institutions; expanding of applying financial reporting system in state educational universities; creation accreditation system in educational universities, take key places.

On Bachelor and Master levels of universities were defined temporary rules about enrollment, deduction, reduction of students and their academic vacation. Based on these rules, transfer of students from one university to other university on Bachelor level of educational universities will be done in the periods of summer and winter vacations. Until this time these processes were being done one time in a year.

The President of Azerbaijan Republic signed decree "About exemption from payment for education of children, whose parents became disabled during protection territorial integrity, independence and Constitution of Azerbaijan Republic and died for freedom, sovereignty and territorial integrity of Azerbaijan Republic, also parents, who disappeared during the war operations or were declared dead by the court".

Held a meeting with those students, who distinguished with their own successes in study. In this meeting participated 22 students of universities, which distinguished with their own successes in study.

SABAH groups began their own activity in 7 high schools of the country by 33 specialities. There are 158 teachers teach in the groups, where study 688 students. About 2200 students have been provided by hostel. The main purpose of this project is to determination new directions of improvement, increasing of quality by the way of progressive forms and methods.

Under guidance of Ministry of Education first time was organized 1-st SABAH forum. In this forum, which consists from two days, took part about 250 people, which study in SABAH groups of different educational universities of country.

The main purpose of the forum was to inform about strategic goals of education in country, to define roles of students in creation society with big knowledge accordingly with requirements of modern time.

On levels of Bachelor and Master of university education were done range of important innovations in plan about accepting students for 2014-2015 academic year.

Compare with factual acceptance of 2013-2014 academic year, plan about accepting students in educational institutions of Azerbaijan increased by 12,9 percent. Plan about accepting full-time students was increased because of places, which were got as a result of decreasing of part-time plan more than 2 times.

On the level of Master is not defined part-time form of study. On level of master planned places for specialties, which have not graduates, are not defined.

State order educational, technical and technological specialties, and also agricultural specialties, has increased places. Acceptance to the group of agricultural specialties was made basis on state order.

Starting from 2014-2015 academic year, began applying of new educational programs and study plans by 138 specialties, and this programs include competencies, which were defined for knowledge, skills and competences of graduate on level of Bachelor. HR resources train training in area of pair specialties (mathematics and computer science, chemistry and biology, geography and history) of educational institutions, in which going teachers training, will be done basis on of 5-year plan.

Accordingly with decree of The President of Azerbaijan Republic Mr. Ilham Aliyev "About granting scholarships to students, who passed examinations in order to go to the educational institutions of Azerbaijan Republic in 2012-2015 academic year" **102 students, which showed highest results on examination to the educational universities, received presidential scholarships.**

"Scholarship for the future teacher" is defined for 300 students, who got 500 and more points on exam to the educational institutions, where going teacher training, and also those students, who showed "teacher" profession in first and second fields during the choosing of profession. This scholarship has purpose to train teachers, which have professional knowledge and skills, and to increase prestige of this profession.

First time in our country in Azerbaijan State University of Economics has been created Innovational Business-Incubator. The main mission of this project is to educate young managers and entrepreneurs, to attract students and young people to the business.

The main purpose of this project is to support startup students in creation of their business and to make endowment for improvement innovational economics.

The contest "Grant of university" has started. This contest is organized by Science Development Fund under the president of Azerbaijan Republic, and it is being organizationally supported by the Ministry of Education. The main purpose of this contest is to finance projects by the way of grants, and these projects are associated with science researches and experiments, which are being realized in range of universities.

With support of Ministry of Education in Baku Expo Center was held 88-th Azerbaijan International «Education» and «Career» exhibition. 122 participants from 20 countries of world joined to this exhibition, Ministry of Education joined to the booth (stand), where were showed materials of SABAH groups.

HEYDAR ALIYEV CENTER and Ministry of Education organized "Heydar Aliyev and the history of Azerbaijan" contest of knowledge among the students of universities.

Project has the purpose to deeply learn life and activity of our national leader Heydar Aliyev, and to propagate heritage of this great leader. In this contest took part teams, which consist from students, who study in universities on levels of bachelor and master.

Under guidance of National Academy of Sciences with support of Ministries of Education, Communications and High Technologies was organized **"Baku Festival of Sciences"**.

This festival, which is being held in our country, serves for propagating of science researches. On this festival were discussed development of science and other goals.

Has been held 1-st congress of Azerbaijani scientists. This congress was organized together with Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences, and Ministries of Education, Communications and High Technologies.