## Brief information about the project

Name of the project	American Councils for International Education Program. Russian Language and Area Studies Program (RLASP).
Relevance	The American Councils program for studying Russian and Kazakh languages, history, and external policies of Central Asia remains a crucial tool in shaping competent professionals and leaders among American students, capable of effectively engaging with the region in today's world. For students from Kazakhstan (linguistic partners), this program offers an opportunity to understand the mindset of their American peers and discover common topics for discussions and mutual understanding. The mission of the program is to build bridges between the American and Kazakhstani young generations, the future leaders of both countries.
Purpose	Training foreign students in the field of Russian, Kazakh languages, history, contemporary issues, and the foreign policy of the Central Asian region, Kazakhstan Studies.
Objectives	<ul> <li>Teaching Russian as a foreign language by experienced specialists in Russian language instruction.</li> <li>Teaching Kazakh as a foreign language.</li> <li>Providing instruction in the history, contemporary issues, and foreign policy of the region to develop necessary communicative competencies for future professional activities.</li> <li>Teaching Kazakhstani culture within the framework of the course "Kazakhstan Studies".</li> <li>Participation in the Language Partners Program for the rapid social adaptation of students and the development of oral communication skills.</li> <li>Running interest clubs to foster communicative abilities in this field.</li> <li>Organizing excursions and thematic meetings to acquire country-specific knowledge.</li> </ul>
Expected and achieved results	<ul> <li>Internationalization of education.</li> <li>Enhancement of proficiency in Russian and Kazakh languages among students from the United States.</li> <li>Deepening knowledge and understanding of the history and culture of Central Asia among program participants.</li> <li>Stimulating intercultural dialogue and mutual understanding between students from the United States and Kazakhstan.</li> <li>Developing skills in international cooperation and diplomatic communication among future leaders of both countries.</li> <li>Creating a platform for exchanging knowledge, experience, and best practices in the fields of education and foreign policy.</li> <li>Strengthening long-term relationships between educational institutions and international partners in the field of education.</li> </ul>

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