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The program of the entrance exam for applicants to the PhD for the group of educational programs

D087 – «Environmental protection technologies»

1. General provisions.

- 1. The program was drawn up in accordance with the Order of the Minister of Education and Science of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated October 31, 2018 No. 600 "On Approval of the Model Rules for Admission to Education in Educational Organizations Implementing Educational Programs of Higher and Postgraduate Education" (hereinafter referred to as the Model Rules).
- 2. The entrance exam for doctoral studies consists of writing an essay, passing a test for readiness for doctoral studies (hereinafter referred to as TRDS), an exam in the profile of a group of educational programs and an interview.

Block	Points
1. Essay	10
2. Test for readiness for doctoral studies	30
3. Exam according to the profile of the group of the educational program	40
4. Interview	20
Total admission score	100/75

3. The duration of the entrance exam is 4 hours, during which the applicant writes an essay, passes a test for readiness for doctoral studies, and answers an electronic examination. The interview is conducted on the basis of the university separately.

2. Procedure for the entrance examination.

- 1. Applicants for doctoral studies in the group of educational programs D087 «Environmental protection technologies» write a problematic / thematic essay. The volume of the essay is at least 250-300 words.
 - 2. The electronic examination card consists of 3 questions.

Topics for exam preparation according to the profile of the group of the educational program.

Discipline «Ecology and sustainable development»

Topic 1. Autecology – ecology of individuals

Sub-topics. Organisms and their habitat. Environmental factors. Regularities of the action of environmental factors on organisms. Liebig's Law of the minimum. Shelford's Law of Tolerance. Adaptation to natural phenomena.

Topic 2. Demecology – population ecology

Sub-topics. Population – a structural unit of a species, a unit of evolution. Populations classification. Quantitative indicators of populations. Static population indicators. The effect of environmental factors on populations.

Topic 3. Biogeocenology (Ecosystem and its environment)

Sub-topics. Types of ecosystems, structure of biogeocenoses. Ecological borrowing in the ecosystem. Power supply circuits. Energy in ecosystems. The law of the energy pyramids. Ecological pyramids.

Topic 4. The biosphere and the biosphere-noosphere concept of V.Vernadsky and biogeochemical cycles

Sub-topics 1. Evolution of the biosphere. V. Vernadsky's biosphere-noosphere concept. Functions of living matter. Properties of living matter. Basic properties of the biosphere.

Sub-topics 2. Characteristics of cycles. The water cycle. The carbon cycle. The oxygen cycle. The nitrogen cycle. The phosphorus cycle. The sulfur cycle. The xenobiotic cycle. Anthropogenic cycles and its impact on the biosphere

Topic 5. Problems of civilization and global environmental problems. Global pollution of biosphere components

Sub-topics. Problems of civilization. Global environmental problems. Energy problems. Demographic problem. The food problem. Global pollution. Types of biosphere pollution. Global pollution of the hydrosphere, atmosphere, and lithosphere.

Topic 6. Natural resource potential

Sub-topics. Natural resources. Classification. Nature management. Problems of using natural resources.

Topic 7. Protection of water resources. Soil protection and it's rational use

Sub-topics. Sources of surface and underground water pollution. Wastewater treatment: Mechanical treatment. Physical and chemical cleaning. Chemical methods. Biological treatment. Rational use of water resources in Kazakhstan. Ecological state of the soils of Kazakhstan. Land reclamation. Sources and causes of pollution and depletion of land resources.

Topic 8. Environmental control and monitoring of the environment and natural resources

Sub-topics. Environmental control. Monitoring. The structure of the monitoring system. Unified state system for monitoring the environment and natural resources.

Topic 9. Sustainable development

Sub-topics. Concepts and global models of the future world. Sustainable development in the Republic of Kazakhstan. International cooperation in the field of environmental protection. Specially protected areas of Kaazakhstan.

Discipline «Geoecology»

Topic 1. Geoecology: the system of sciences on integration of the geospheres and society

- Sub-topic 1. The interralations of the ecosphere and the society
- Sub-topic 2. Systemic features of the geoecological problems

Topic 2. Natural factors of the ecosphere

- Sub-topic 1. Energy and matter features of the ecosphere
- Sub-topic 2. The energy balance of the ecosphere
- Sub-topic 3. The role of the biota in the ecosphere's functioning

Topic 3. Socio-economic factors of the ecosphere

- Sub-topic 1. Main groups of factors for the ecosphere's state
- Sub-topic 2. World population as a geoecological factor
- Sub-topic 3. Consumption of natural resources and geoecological "services"
- Sub-topic 4. Geoecological role of thr technological progress

Topic 4. Global changes and strategies of humanity

- Sub-topic 1. Potential capacity of the territory
- Sub-topic 2. Elements of a strategy for the survival of humanity
- Sub-topic 3. Indicators of geoecological status and sustainable development

Topic 5. Impact on the Earth's atmosphere and climate

- Sub-topic 1. Main features of the Earth's atmosphere and climate
- Sub-topic 2. Ozone layer degradation
- Sub-topic 3. Ecosphere acidification and acid precipitation
- Sub-topic 4. Local air pollution

Topic 6. The impact of human activity on the hydrosphere

- Sub-topic 1. Main features of the hydrosphere
- Sub-topic 2. The main functions of land waters in the ecosphere
- Sub-topic 3. Geoecological issues of the water management
- Sub-topic 4. Geoecological features of the drainless regions of the world
- Sub-topic 5. Land water quality, fresh water scarcity and degradation
- Sub-topic 6. Geoecological problems of sea coasts and inland seas

Topic 7. Geoecological problems of the use of soil and land resources

- Sub-topic 1. Main functions of the pedosphere
- Sub-topic 2. Anthropogenic soil degradation
- Sub-topic 3. The land resources of the world and their use
- Sub-topic 4. Geoecological problems of agriculture

Topic 8. The impact of human activity on the lithosphere

- Sub-topic 1. The structure of the Earth and the lithosphere
- Sub-topic 2. The great cycle of matter and the role of man in it
- Sub-topic 3. Anthropogenic impacts on adverse exogenous processes

Topic 9. The impact of human activity on the biosphere and landscapes of the world

Sub-topic 1. Main features of the biosphere and its role in the ecosphere

- Sub-topic 2. Biotic management of the ecosphere and the role of human activity
- Sub-topic 3. Problems of deforestation
- Sub-topic 4. Problems of desertification
- Sub-topic 5. Problems of preserving the Earth's biological diversity

Topic 10. Geoecological aspects of natural and technogenic systems

- Sub-topic 1. Natural and technogenic systems
- Sub-topic 2. Geoecological issues of urbanization
- Sub-topic 3. Geoecological issues of energy
- Sub-topic 4. Geoecological issues of industry
- Sub-topic 5. Geoecological issues of transport
- Sub-topic 6. Geoecological issues of agriculture

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Discipline «Hazardous natural processes»

Topic 1. Modern processes of relief formation and their classification.

Sub-topics: Classifications of relief formation processes. Cascade and paragenesis of the development of natural processes.

Topic 2. Modern natural hazardous processes.

Sub-topics: Droughts and their environmental impacts; Desertification and its ecological consequences; Erosion processes and their ecological consequences; Karst process and its ecological consequences; Glacier activity and its ecological significance;

Topic 3. Untidy natural processes and their ecological values.

Sub-topic. Waterlogging and its ecological consequences; Changing river channels. Flooding, sinkholes and their environmental consequences

Topic 4. Modern natural catastrophic processes and their ecological significance.

Sub-topics: Atmospheric Vortexes, Hurricanes, Tornadoes; Dust and salt storms; Floods and their ecological consequences; Earthquakes and their ecological consequences; Snow avalanches and their ecological consequences; Mudflows and their ecological consequences; Landslides and their ecological consequences; Fires and their ecological consequences

Topic 5. Mapping of hazardous natural processes.

Sub-topics: Use of GIS technologies and remote sensing data in the study of natural processes. Mapping the dynamics of natural processes.

Topic 6. Monitoring of hazardous natural processes

Sub-topics: Types of monitoring. Predicting the occurrence of hazardous processes. Geoecological aspects of unfavorable natural and anthropogenic processes and phenomena

Discipline «Management of natural and technogenic risks»

Topic 1. Man-made systems, risk analysis and sustainable development of society

Sub-topics: Natural and Technogenic Systems. Risk and hazard concept; Risk indicators; Risk and Problems of Sustainable Development;

Topic 2. Sources of danger and classification of risks and hazards

Subtopics: General risk profile; Individual and collective risks; Potential territorial and social risks; Environmental risk; Spatial distribution of hazardous phenomena and risks;

Topic 3. The structure of technogenic risk

Sub-topics: Problems of Technogenic Safety; Classification and nomenclature of potentially dangerous objects and technologies; Natural and technogenic risks; Dangers of accidents and their consequences; General structure of technogenic risk analysis

Topic 4. Methods of analysis of technogenic risk.

Sub-topics: Methods for Identifying Hazards. Basic definitions and concepts of the theory of reliability, safety and risk; Indicators of reliability, safety and risk; Statistical modeling method

Topic 5. Environmental risk

Sub-topics: Basic principles and criteria of risk management Structure of environmental risk Risk to public health and environmental pollution;

6. Problems and methods of natural and man-made risks management

Sub-topics: Economic mechanisms of safety and risk management; Regulatory regulation of safety and risk. Protection of the population from dangerous and emergency situations of natural, manmade character.

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