

## Summarize of the Decisions of the University Council for the 2025

06.03.2025	<p><b>1. On the allocation of vacant scholarship positions across faculties among students with high GPA from other faculties.</b></p> <p>1. It is ensured that vacant scholarship positions across faculties are allocated, by relevant academic years, among students from other faculties with high GPAs.</p>
11.03.2025	<p><b>1. On the approval of the AzTU 2025 Action Plan.</b></p> <p>1. The 2025 Action Plan of AzTU is hereby approved.</p>
7.03.2025	<p><b>1. Discussion of the results of the winter examination session of the 2024–2025 academic year.</b></p> <p>1. The results of the winter examination session of the 2024/2025 academic year is considered <b>satisfactory</b>.</p> <p>2. In order to improve the quality of midterm assessments for the spring semester of the 2024–2025 academic year, the following measures is ensured:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Continuation of efforts to orient ICT-related courses toward the development of students' practical knowledge and skills;</li> <li>- Improvement of the infrastructure of computer-equipped examination rooms and strengthening supervision of equipment maintenance;</li> <li>- Enhancement of the examination module and its adaptation to current ICT capabilities;</li> <li>- Installation of surveillance cameras in additional rooms used during the examination process;</li> <li>- Refinement of examination questions and ensuring that grading is completed within established timeframes.</li> </ul> <p><b>2. Report on Research, Scientometric Indicators, and Innovation Activities of AzTU for 2024.</b></p> <p>1. The report by the Vice-Rector for Science and Innovation, Professor Subhan Namazov, is considered satisfactory.</p> <p>2. Necessary measures is taken to provide salary bonuses for the top 60 academic staff members in the rankings (01.01.2025 – 31.12.2025): 50% for the top 10, 30% for ranks 11-31, and 20% for ranks 32-60.</p>

3. Proposals for one-time incentive payments for articles published in Scopus and Web of Science indexed journals is prepared within 10 days.

**3. On the development prospects of the Faculty of Special Equipment and Technologies.**

For the purpose of implementing the activities listed below, the Faculty of Special Equipment and Technologies is granted the status of a “pilot faculty”.

- Alignment of the faculty’s academic and management systems with ISO 9001 (Quality Management System) and ISO 21001 (Management Systems for Educational Organizations) standards;
- Modernization and strengthening of the material and technical base for the training of engineering specialists that meet labor market demands;
- Organization of a portion of practical and laboratory classes at enterprises based on close cooperation with companies, and ensuring students acquire production-oriented knowledge and skills;
- Orientation of research activities conducted at the faculty directly toward current industrial and market challenges, ensuring that the results are applicable and effective;
- Commercialization of scientific results obtained at the faculty through the Technology Transfer Office of Azerbaijan Technical University (AzTU TTO) and their transformation into products for industry;
- Implementation of the ISO 56001 (Innovation Management System) standard at both the faculty and AzTU TTO levels during the next phase of the pilot stage, along with the execution of relevant certification processes.

**4. On submitting petitions to the Higher Attestation Commission regarding the conferment of academic titles.**

- The protocol of the Counting Commission regarding the results of the secret ballot for the conferment of the academic title of Associate Professor to Mehpara Sattar Orujova is approved; a petition is submitted to the Higher Attestation Commission to this effect.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The protocol of the Counting Commission regarding the results of the secret ballot for the conferment of the academic title of Professor to Elchin Ahmad Karimov is approved; a petition is submitted to the Higher Attestation Commission to this effect.</li> </ul> <p><b>5. Discussion of the Strategic Development Action Plan.</b></p> <p>The Action Plan for the 2025 calendar year regarding the 2024–2030 Strategic Development Plan of AzTU is approved.</p> <p><b>6. On the approval of regulatory documents.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Regulations of the Institute of Logistics and Transport is approved;</li> <li>- The Regulations of the Lifelong Learning School is approved.</li> </ul>
13.06.2025	<p><b>1. On the conferment of the Honorary Doctorate title of Azerbaijan Technical University upon Mr. Ersin Tatar, President of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus.</b></p> <p>The conferment of the Honorary Doctorate title of Azerbaijan Technical University upon Mr. Ersin Tatar, President of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, is considered appropriate.</p> <p><b>2. On the approval of the decision regarding the possibility of submission of CELTA and DELTA certificates (as equivalent).</b></p> <p>The “Selection Rules for the Recruitment of New English Language Teachers to the Department of Foreign Languages of Azerbaijan Technical University” is re-approved, with CELTA and DELTA international certificates included as primary qualifications and the IELTS certificate (7.5; 8.0; 8.5) included as an equivalent qualification.</p> <p><b>3. On the approval of doctoral supervisors and dissertation topics.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Nuru Fuad Dashdemirli;</b></li> </ul> <p>The dissertation topic of Nuru Fuad Dashdemirli, a doctoral student in the PhD program in the specialty 1203.01 – “Computer Science” at Azerbaijan Technical University, is approved as “Development of Virtual Machine-Based</p>

Approaches on Microcontrollers”, and his academic supervisor is approved as Doctor of Technical Sciences, Associate Professor Yadigar Nasib Imamverdiyev.

**- Konul Rufat Huseynzade;**

The dissertation topic of Konul Rufat Huseynzade, a doctoral student in the PhD program in the specialty 3313.02 – “Machines, Equipment and Processes” at Azerbaijan Technical University, is approved as “Structural Synthesis and Kinematic Analysis of Spacecraft Manipulators”, and her academic supervisor-consultant is approved as Professor Rasim Ismayil Alizade.

**- Gunel Fakhraddin Babanli;**

The dissertation topic of Gunel Fakhraddin Babanli, a doctoral student in the PhD program in the specialty 3338.01 – “System Analysis, Control and Information Processing (by fields)” at Azerbaijan Technical University, is approved as “Development of New Hybrid Partitioning- and Density-Based Methods for Improving Clustering Quality”, and her academic supervisors is approved as Doctor of Technical Sciences, Professor Ramiz Muhammad Aliguliyev and Doctor of Technical Sciences, Associate Professor Rena Agamir Amirova.

**4. On submitting petitions to the Higher Attestation Commission regarding the conferment of academic titles to Professor Ughurlu Muhammad Nadirov and Professor Bayali Bahjat Ahmadov of the Department of Machine Design and Industrial Technologies, and to Associate Professor Natavan Veysal Namazova of the Department of Economics and Statistics and Associate Professor Namik Malik Shukurov of the Department of Radiotechnics and Telecommunications.**

- The protocol of the counting commission based on the results of the secret ballot regarding the conferment of the academic title of Professor to Ughurlu Muhammad Nadirov is approved. Based on the results of the secret ballot, a petition is submitted to the Higher Attestation Commission for the conferment of the academic title of Professor upon Ughurlu Muhammad Nadirov.

- The protocol of the counting commission based on the results of the secret ballot regarding the conferment of the academic title of Professor to Bayali Bahjat Ahmadov is approved. Based on the results of the secret ballot, a petition is submitted to the Higher Attestation Commission for the conferment of the academic title of Professor upon Bayali Bahjat Ahmadov.
- The protocol of the counting commission based on the results of the secret ballot regarding the conferment of the academic title of Associate Professor to Natavan Veysal Namazova is approved. Based on the results of the secret ballot, a petition is submitted to the Higher Attestation Commission for the conferment of the academic title of Associate Professor upon Natavan Veysal Namazova.
- The protocol of the counting commission based on the results of the secret ballot regarding the conferment of the academic title of Associate Professor to Namik Malik Shukurov is approved. Based on the results of the secret ballot, a petition is submitted to the Higher Attestation Commission for the conferment of the academic title of Associate Professor upon Namik Malik Shukurov.

**5. On assigning the monitoring and audit of information security at AzTU to the Department of Cybersecurity.**

The monitoring and audit of information security at Azerbaijan Technical University is assigned to the Department of Cybersecurity.

**6. On the purchase of airline tickets for students studying within the dual degree program.**

The purchase of airline tickets for students studying within the dual degree program is ensured, provided that they have no academic debts in any subject at the end of the academic year.

**7. On covering the tuition fee debts of participants of the Patriotic War by the University.**

Taking into account the participation of the following AzTU students in the defense of the territorial integrity of the Republic of Azerbaijan during the Patriotic War and their distinguished service in combat operations, their outstanding tuition fee debts (Ilham Islam Ahmadli, Tural Elchin Mammadli, Zaur Ramiz Gasimov, Ruhin Khagani Aliagali, Tofiq Avaz Huseynov, Amrah

	Alizamin Alakbarov, Ilkin Sarkhan Mirzayev, Mohammad Samad Bayramov, Damad Arif Ibrahimli, Elmir Mirdamat Rzayev, Nijat Kenan Alizade) is paid at the expense of Azerbaijan Technical University.
05.07.2025	<p><b>1. On AzTU's Results in International Rankings (QS and THE) and Future Tasks</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. AzTU's achievements in international rankings for the current year: Inclusion in the QS World University Rankings among the top 1000 universities <b>(851–900)</b>, inclusion in the THE Impact Rankings in the <b>1500+</b> category, and achievement of a <b>5-star (“excellent”)</b> result under the <b>QS Stars</b> evaluation program is highly appreciated by the AzTU community.</li> <li>2. Tasks Assigned to the Working Group on International Rankings, led by the Vice-Rector for Science and Innovation, Prof. Subhan Namazov: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Prepare proposals within 3 working days and submit them to the Rectorate to ensure motivation and both material and moral support for staff who have contributed to achieving high results in international rankings.</li> <li>- Organize discussions on results for individual indicators in the Committee on Quality and Rankings Management and ensure the development of annual action plans for maintaining and further improving these results.</li> <li>- Ensure optimal use of scientific potential and strengthen international networking to improve AzTU's scientometric indicators.</li> <li>- Monitor progress in key activities related to international rankings, review reports from responsible leadership in the Committee on Quality and Rankings Management, and continuously track future tasks.</li> </ul> </li> <li>3. Implement a policy that ensures each member of the university community realizes their role in enhancing the university's international reputation.</li> <li>4. Support the publication of research results in international databases, branding of international conferences, and the strengthening of international networking.</li> <li>5. The Research and Development Department will monitor and oversee the implementation of AzTU's action plan regarding international rankings and SDGs, providing relevant proposals.</li> </ol>

6. Starting from the 2025/2026 academic year, the course “Conducting Research” in master’s programs (all majors and specializations) is replaced with the course “Sustainable Development.”

## **2. Approval of the Academic Calendar and Action Plan for the 2025/2026 Academic Year**

The Academic Calendar and Action Plan for the 2025/2026 academic year are approved.

## **3. Approval of the Scientific Council’s Work Plan**

The proposed work plan of the Scientific Council for the 2025/2026 academic year is approved.

## **4. Announcement of the Internal Grant Project on the Electronic Platform**

1. The proposed announcement and relevant regulations of the joint internal grant competition for supporting the research activities of AzTU’s faculty, ITI, and ISI researchers are approved (attached).
2. The Vice-Rector for Science and Innovation is tasked with organizing the development of AzTU’s E-Grant platform within one month.
3. Coordinators from AzTU, ITI, and ISI is appointed to facilitate the announcement of the internal grant competition.
4. Measures is taken to encourage the submission of multidisciplinary joint projects by experts from AzTU, ITI, and ISI in the grant competition.
5. A document package is prepared for announcing projects in priority areas.

## **5. Approval of the New Curriculum for Preparatory Courses for Foreign Students**

The new curriculum for preparatory courses attended by foreign students is approved (attached).

## **6. Rules for Admission and Study of Foreign Students at AzTU**

The “Rules for Admission and Study of Foreign Students at Azerbaijan Technical University and Preparatory Courses” are approved (attached).

	<p><b>7. Confirmation of Dissertation Topics and Supervisors for Doctoral Students (PhD and Doctor of Science Programs):</b> The dissertation topics and scientific supervisors (advisors) of candidates admitted to the PhD and Doctor of Science programs are approved as presented.</p> <p><b>8. Formation of a Working Group for the New Undergraduate Program “Communication Systems Engineering” (6006021) for the 2026/2027 Academic Year.</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A working group is established to prepare the necessary documents for the new undergraduate program “Communication Systems Engineering” (6006021) for the 2026/2027 academic year:</li> <li>2. The working group is tasked with preparing the relevant documents in accordance with regulations within one month and submitting them to the Scientific Council for approval.</li> </ol>
17.10.2025	<p><b>1. On the Analysis of the Results of the Fall and Spring Examination Sessions of the 2024/2025 Academic Year (Including Reports of the Appeals and Examination Headquarters).</b> The report on the analysis of the results of the fall and spring examination sessions of the 2024/2025 academic year (including reports of the Appeals and Examination Headquarters) is deemed satisfactory.</p> <p><b>2. On the Approval of Curricula and Educational Programs for Master’s Degree Specializations Prepared in Accordance with the New Classification.</b> The curricula and educational programs for master’s degree specializations prepared in accordance with the new classification for the 2025/2026 academic year at Azerbaijan Technical University are approved.</p> <p><b>3. On the Approval of Documents Prepared by the Working Group for the New Undergraduate Program “Communication Systems Engineering” (6006021) at AzTU for the 2026/2027 Academic Year.</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The documents prepared and submitted by the working group for the new undergraduate program “Communication Systems Engineering” (6006021) at Azerbaijan Technical University for the 2026/2027 academic year are approved.</li> </ol>



2. A proposal is submitted to the Ministry of Science and Education of Azerbaijan for the establishment of the new undergraduate program “Communication Systems Engineering” (6006021) at Azerbaijan Technical University for the 2026/2027 academic year.

**4. On the AZTU Rebranding Proposal.**

The AZTU rebranding proposal is approved.

**5. On Increasing the Hourly Salaries of Teachers Delivering Classes in Preparatory Courses.**

The hourly salary of teachers delivering courses for foreign students in preparatory programs at Azerbaijan Technical University is increased.

**6. On Submitting Proposals to the Higher Attestation Commission for the Awarding of the Academic Title of Associate Professor to Certain Staff Members.**

- The protocol of the counting commission on the results of the secret ballot regarding the awarding of the academic title of Associate Professor to Afet Arif Jafarova is approved. Based on the results of the secret ballot, a proposal is submitted to the Higher Attestation Commission for awarding Afet Arif Jafarova the title of Associate Professor.
- The protocol of the counting commission on the results of the secret ballot regarding the awarding of the academic title of Associate Professor to Najiba Ahmad Shirinova is approved. Based on the results of the secret ballot, a proposal is submitted to the Higher Attestation Commission for awarding Najiba Ahmad Shirinova the title of Associate Professor.
- The protocol of the counting commission on the results of the secret ballot regarding the awarding of the academic title of Associate Professor to Sarvan Shirvan Aziz is approved. Based on the results of the secret ballot, a proposal is submitted to the Higher Attestation Commission for awarding Sarvan Shirvan Aziz the title of Associate Professor.

**7. On the Establishment of the AzTU Incubation Center Based on the Sustainable Development Platform.**

The AzTU Incubation Center is established based on the Sustainable Development Platform.

**8. On the Approval of the Activity Plan of the Scientific-Methodological Council of Azerbaijan Technical University for the 2025/2026 Academic Year.**

The activity plan of the Scientific-Methodological Council of Azerbaijan Technical University for the 2025/2026 academic year is approved.

**9. On the Coverage of Tuition Fee Debt of a Veteran of the Patriotic War by the University.**

The tuition fee debt of Heydar Haqverdi Zeynalov, a student of Group 109a2 at the Faculty of Transport and Logistics, who completed his studies in the 2024/2025 academic year and is a participant in the Patriotic War, is covered by Azerbaijan Technical University.

**10. On the Establishment of the Defense Technologies and Cybersecurity Research Cluster under Azerbaijan Technical University.**

1. The “Defense Technologies and Cybersecurity Research Cluster (MTK-Cluster)” is established under Azerbaijan Technical University to coordinate modern research, eliminate duplication, and accelerate the orientation of scientific results toward the fields of defense and cybersecurity.
2. The Cluster is assigned the following main functions:
  - Study and consolidate research needs in the fields of defense, cybersecurity, energy, and digital infrastructure;
  - Eliminate duplication of scientific activities and coordinate modern research directions;
  - Promote innovations in artificial intelligence, smart systems, e-mobility, and sustainable technologies;
  - Implement applied projects in cooperation with state agencies and industrial partners.

19.12.2025

**1. On the Approval of AzTU’s Strategic Development Plan.**

The relevant documents for the approval of AzTU’s Strategic Development Plan for 2026 is prepared and submitted by the next meeting of the Academic Council.

**2. On the Submission of a Petition to the Higher Attestation Commission for the Award of Academic Titles to Professor Iftikhar Gurbanali Chalabi of the Department of Machine Design, Mechatronics, and Industrial Technologies, and Associate Professor Khayaladdin Rasul Taghiyev of the Department of Digital Economy and Financial Technologies.**

- The protocol of the counting commission on the results of the secret ballot regarding the award of the academic title of professor to Iftikhar Gurbanali Chalabi is approved. Based on the results of the secret ballot, it is proposed to submit a petition to the Higher Attestation Commission for awarding the academic title of Professor in the field of Technical Sciences, specialization 3313.02 – Machines, Equipment, and Processes to the Research Professor, Doctor of Technical Sciences, Iftikhar Gurbanali Chalabi of the Department of Machine Design, Mechatronics, and Industrial Technologies.
- The protocol of the counting commission on the results of the secret ballot regarding the award of the academic title of associate professor to Khayaladdin Rasul Taghiyev is approved. Based on the results of the secret ballot, it is proposed to submit a petition to the Higher Attestation Commission for awarding the academic title of Associate Professor in the specialization 5302.01 – Econometrics, Economic Statistics to the Associate Professor, PhD in Economics, Khayaladdin Rasul Taghiyev of the Department of Digital Economy and Financial Technologies.

**3. On the Finalization of Dissertation Topics (and Scientific Supervisors) for PhD Program Doctoral Students.**

The dissertation topics and scientific supervisors of candidates admitted to the doctoral (PhD) program is approved.

**4. On the Regulation of Academic Debts of Part-time Students.**

1. The academic debts of part-time students in subjects currently not offered at the university is replaced in accordance with similar courses taught at the university.
2. To eliminate the academic debts of part-time students in subjects taught at the undergraduate level, the necessary conditions is created to allow these students to accumulate credits within the relevant subgroups established for undergraduate studies.

- |  |   |
|--|---|
|  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>3. For subjects currently not offered at the university, if the number of part-time students requiring the course is sufficient (two or more), a special group is organized to allow the accumulation of credits and the teaching of the subject.</li><li>4. If an academic debt arises in a subject not included in the “Classification of Specialties for Undergraduate Higher Education” and currently not offered, and it concerns only one student, the course is organized individually with a specific schedule between the student and the instructor to allow the accumulation of credits.</li></ol> |
|--|---|

## **5. Various Matters**

### **5.1. On the Implementation of Activities for AzTU to Achieve Research University Status**

1. The Vice-Rector for Science and Innovations is instructed to ensure the preparation and submission of a proposal package aimed at increasing and effectively utilizing AzTU’s research potential.
2. In 2026, the application of necessary scientific incentive mechanisms to increase international scientific networking and citations in journals indexed in international databases is closely monitored.
3. Proposals and a draft order for the implementation and management of the Internal Grant Project in 2026 is prepared and submitted.

Proposals for strengthening AzTU's scientific research ecosystem, as well as for updating its material-technical and laboratory base, is prepared and submitted.