

## UCA Highlights – April 2026



### UCA Contributes to the Regional Ecological Summit 2026

From 22 to 24 April, the University of Central Asia participated in the Regional Ecological Summit 2026 (RES 2026) in Astana — a key regional platform advancing climate action, environmental governance, and cooperation across Central Asia. The summit convened governments, international organisations, researchers, and development partners to address pressing environmental challenges.

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## National Round at UCA Determines Five Finalists for International Economics Olympiad

UCA's Institute of Public Policy and Administration (IPPA) hosted the National Round of the International Economics Olympiad in Bishkek, following a competitive selection process involving over 12,000 students from 450 schools of Kyrgyz Republic.

Finalists will now attend a regional training camp in Almaty before representing Kyrgyz Republic at the global final this August in Ancient Olympia, Greece.

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## Bilim Run Naryn 2026

UCA co-organised its first Bilim Run Naryn 2026, a community event uniting over 350 participants for education, health, and civic engagement. The festivities featured a local business fair and a live concert, drawing a diverse crowd of students, staff, and top regional officials, including the Governor of Naryn Region and the Mayor of Naryn Town.

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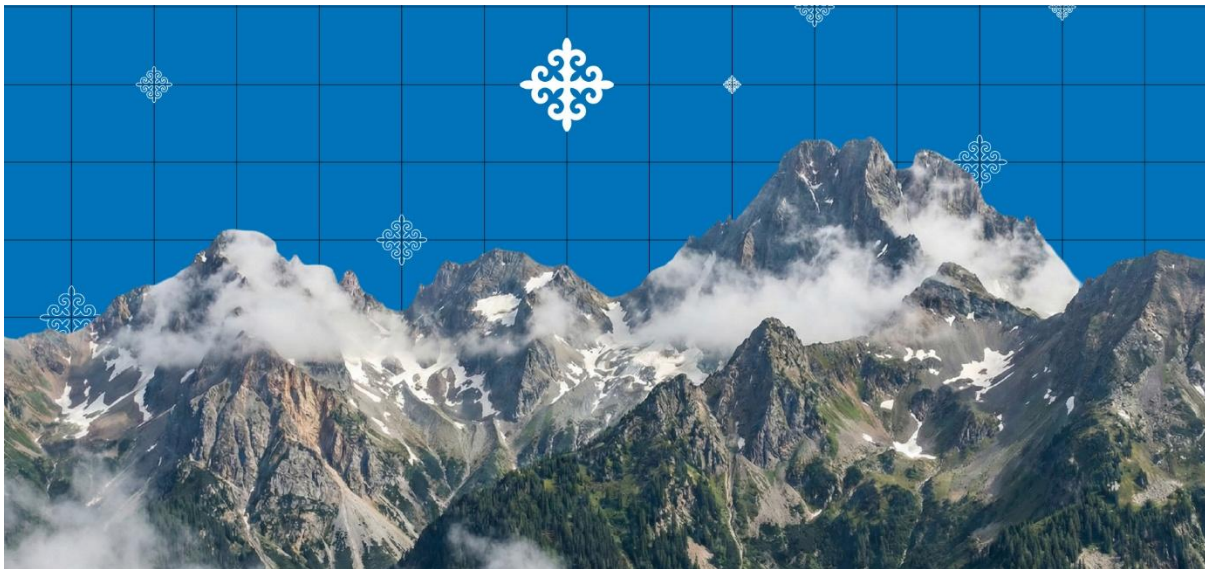


## UCA Celebrates Graduation of First Cybersecurity Specialist Programme

UCA recently celebrated the graduation of its first Cybersecurity Specialist cohort, a pioneering data protection initiative in the Kyrgyz Republic. Part of the Executive Education programme, the course equipped graduates with applied skills to navigate digital transformation.

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Mark Your Calendars!



## International Conference on Mountains, Climate and Health in Central Asia

Mark your calendars for 18–19 June for the International Conference on Mountains, Climate and Health in Central Asia in Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic. The conference will bring together researchers, policymakers, and practitioners to explore climate and health challenges facing mountain regions across Central Asia.

[Register here](#)

### Spot Us in Media



### Podcast with a UCA CAFDP Fellow

Meet Mushtari Saidikova, a UCA Fellow and PhD researcher at the University of Cambridge, who shares her journey from Central Asia to one of the world's top atmospheric science programme.

[Watch YouTube Podcast.](#)



## UCA - a Highlight of the Naryn Region

Check-out Russian MIR TV's report on the UCA's School of Arts and Sciences in Naryn, highlighting student life, learning, and campus experiences.

[Watch MirTV Report](#) - from 07:38

## Social Media Highlights



April at UCA was marked by major milestones, inspiring ideas, and community connections — from a regional summit to student achievements and campus events.

[Here's a look back at the HIGHLIGHTS](#)

## Upcoming Events

- **23 May** – [Conference](#) on Digitising the Past, Nourishing the Present: Cultural Heritage Documentation and Performance in Central Asia
- **15 May** – Application deadline for the [Summer School](#) "Tajik, Dari or Persian? Evolution of Iranian Languages and Cultures: A Cross Cultural Approach"
- **20 June** – Graduation Ceremony for the Class of 2026