DEPARTMENT OF HUMANITIES
Research Activities

The department's scientific school contributes to the formation and development of Kazakhstani philosophy, religious studies, and cultural studies. Its activities are aimed at the comprehensive study of national spiritual and cultural heritage, worldview traditions, and contemporary humanitarian processes.

A permanent research seminar operates at the department under the leadership of PhD, Senior Lecturer T.T. Abylov. Within this academic platform, current theoretical and methodological issues of national philosophy, religious studies, and cultural studies are discussed and subjected to scholarly review. Faculty members, master's students, and doctoral students actively participate in the seminar, facilitating academic exchange and the approbation of research results.

The department's faculty systematically supervises students' research work and prepares them for interuniversity scientific competitions, national subject Olympiads, and research project contests. This work contributes to the development of students' scientific potential, research competencies, and academic achievements.

The results of the faculty's scientific and methodological activities are widely reflected in monographs, textbooks, teaching manuals, and methodological materials. According to the results of research activities in 2025, the department's faculty published 95 scientific articles, including:

– 20 articles in international journals with an impact factor;

– 6 articles in journals from far-abroad countries;

– 5 articles in journals from neighboring countries;

– 10 articles in journals recommended by the Committee for Quality Assurance in Science and Higher Education of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

– 11 articles in scientific publications of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

– 43 articles in proceedings of international and national scientific conferences.

In addition, during the reporting period, 9 monographs, 2 tutorial and 2 teaching manuals were published.

Faculty members actively conduct research, and the results have been published in journals recommended by the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Committee for Control in Education and Science, as well as in publications indexed in international and national databases such as Web of Science, Scopus, RSCI, and KINCO.

The scientific works published by the department's faculty have significant theoretical and applied importance. Research results are integrated into the educational process and are widely used to update course content and improve educational programs in philosophy, religious studies, and cultural studies.

Student Research Activities and the Work of Scientific Clubs

In order to ensure early involvement of students in research activities, develop a culture of scientific thinking, and guide them toward a scientific career, various forms of research work are systematically developed at the department. In particular, students' participation in international, national, and intra-university scientific events, as well as the activities of scientific clubs and intellectual platforms, are actively organized.

As a result, the department successfully operates the educational clubs "Rukhaniyat Bastauy" and the philosophical club "Tolyk Adam."

The head of the "Rukhaniyat Bastauy" educational club is PhD, Senior Lecturer Nurlan Amangazinovich Orynbekov, while the head of the "Tolyk Adam" educational and philosophical club is Master's degree holder, Senior Lecturer Yerbol Umirzakovich Syrbayev.

Within these clubs, the results of students' research activities are systematized, discussed at club meetings, presented in student research groups, and recommended for participation in scientific conferences and publications. Through club activities, students acquire skills in

academic discussion, presentation of reports, defense of research results, and critical analysis. The experience gained enables students to participate actively in more complex forms of research work.

At the Faculty of History and Law of Abai Kazakh National Pedagogical University, traditional scientific conferences of students and young scholars are regularly organized. These forums have become international discussion platforms for addressing relevant issues for students and young scholars from Kazakhstan as well as from near and far abroad.

In particular, on November 19, 2025, in celebration of World Philosophy Day, the VI traditional interuniversity student conference was held on the topic “The Philosophical Perspective of Kazakhstani Students on the Future of the Country.” The conference is aimed at broadening students’ worldviews, developing critical thinking, and fostering a culture of philosophical reflection, and is held on a regular basis.

In addition, in November 2025, students of the Department of Humanities at the Faculty of History and Law participated in the university’s 80th scientific conference of students and master’s students, delivering substantial presentations in the Philosophy and Cultural Studies sections and presenting their research findings

Overall, students of the Department of Humanities actively participate in subject Olympiads, research project competitions, international conferences, round tables, and various scientific events, demonstrating the department’s systematic efforts to develop student research activities.