

Enhancing Students Participation in Quality Assurance in Armenian HE (ESPAQ)

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Armenian
State
University of Economics
was established in 1930,
84 years ago.



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ASUE slogan is:
*“Specialization,
experience,
opportunity”*

Three pillars describe ASUE aim to provide possibility for .

1. Specialization in the chosen field, provides appropriate experience through the well defined learning outcomes and appropriate teaching and assessment methods.
3. Transfer knowledge with an experience: Skills and attitudes and
4. An opportunity to enter a field of activity, to self confirm in labor market and to find a stable place.



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ASUE flag presents ASUE foundation date, the logo. It was placed on the forehead of the main building of ASUE on November 25, 2011: announcing the continuity of the changes, creating the image of the University.



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About ASUE

1. More than 30.000 alumni have graduated from the University.
2. ASUE has about 8.000 students.
3. ASUE has 2 branches: in Gyumri and in Eghegnadzor.
4. ASUE has 6 departments:
 - .Department of Management
 - .Dep. of Regulation of Economy and International Economic Relations
 - .Department of Finance
 - .Department of Marketing and Business Organization
 - .Department of Computer Science and Statistics
 - .Department of Accounting and Auditing



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Armenian State University of Economics implements all three cycles of education: Bachelor's, Master's programs and III cycle.



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ASUE has 31 chairs: 21 economic specialties (subject areas)

ASUE academic staff number is 515, among which:

- 40 Doctors, Professors
- 270 Candidate of Sciences,
- 200 Associate Professors
- 70 invited specialists



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ASUE students have an active life. The Student Council of ASUE has the ad hoc committees which are:

- Academic committee
- Committee of External and Internal Affairs
- Committee of Press and Media
- Committee of Culture, Sport and Leisure
- Committee of Organizational Affairs
- Theatre studio.



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Students' Participation in Quality Assurance in ASUE

- Institutional self-assessment

The Quality Assurance department of ASUE has developed a scheme to organize student's participation in the quality assurance processes.

Clustered approach was adopted

The students' candidates for the working groups are being nominated by the Student Council, the Faculties and the Chairs.

As a candidate for the working group can be nominated any student or researcher with high academic performance and social activity.

The Faculties choose the students with low and middle academic performance from all the specialities of ASUE.



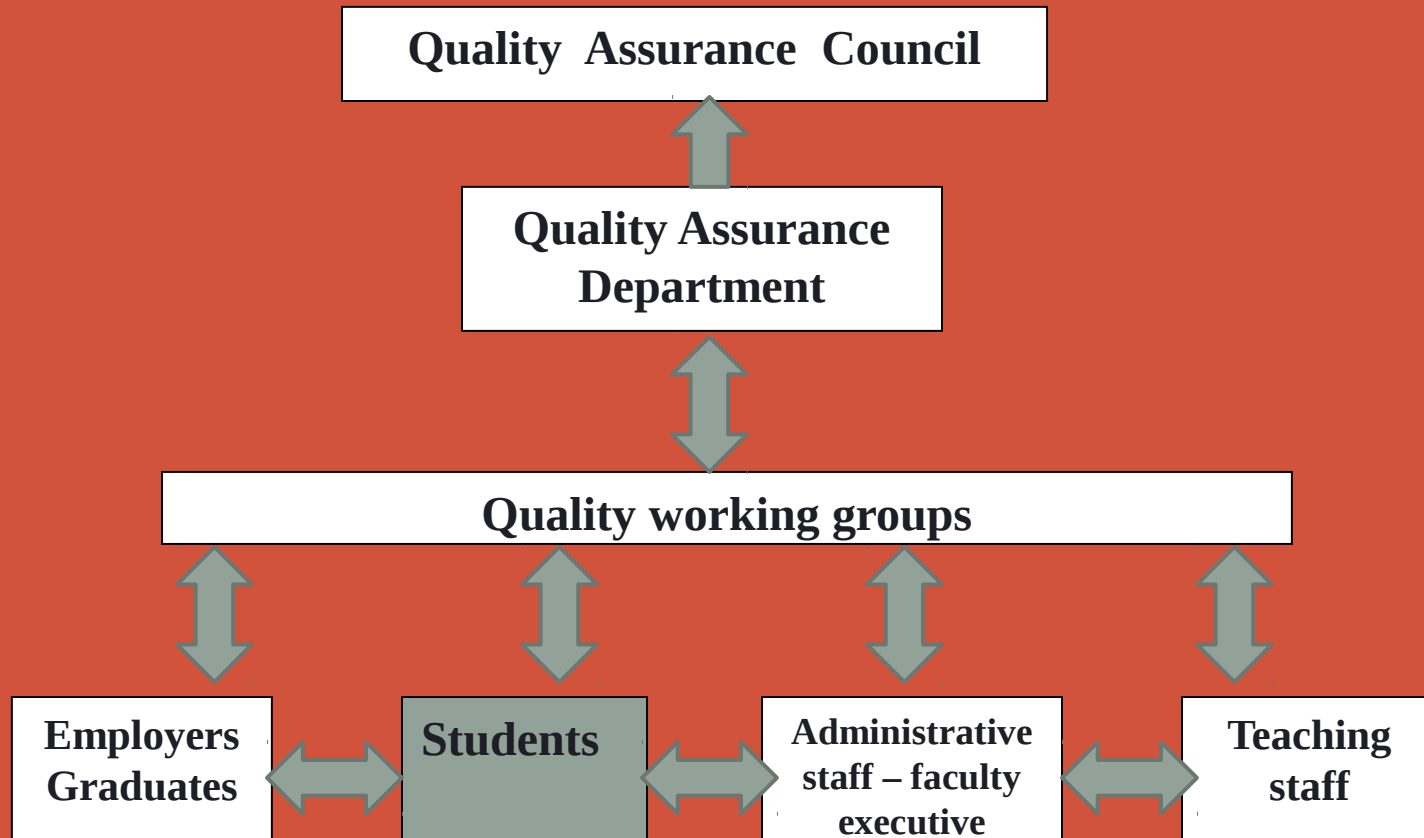
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Quality Assurance Scheme in ASUE



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ASUE experience

To ensure students participation in quality assurance processes, we start from the very development of education programs. We have invited students and alumni to discuss the components of education program, particularly the learning outcomes.

e.g. while designing “Master in education management program” we had discussions with employers, students and alumni to find out their vision of what they expect to learn, to be able to do after the completion of the program.



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The adoption of student-centered learning is in process now. And we have also adopted the practice to conduct surveys after each semester to evaluate the results and find out the points of improvement.

e.g. In “Master in education management program” we asked students about all the aspects of education process: teaching-learning-assessment methods, the availability of needed books in the library, auditorium conditions and found out, that there is a lack of books on their profession. Now we take steps to enhance the library with those books needed for students.



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Our expectations from ESPAQ project:

- Strengthening the quality assurance processes and practices in the Armenian State university of Economics by ensuring the involvement of all the students as the key beneficiaries of QA in Armenian HE
- Improving the ways and procedures for students' participation in quality assurance in ASUE,
- Improving the practical experience of the Armenian students engagement in QA procedures by better understanding and good practices exchange in engaging the students in QA at the institutional level
- Preparing the legal framework for the students participation in QA in the Armenian higher education system;



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- Gagik Aghajanyan – Chief Specialist of Quality Assurance Department



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