AZERBAIJAN TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY

SDG REPORT 2026

Sustainability Office

SDG 1
NO POVERTY

AT A GLANCE

Lowering the cost of study, opening routes to work

SDG 1 calls for an end to poverty in all its forms. Over the past year AzTU helped applicants free of charge, supported students through loans, aid, scholarships and fee waivers, connected them with employers and held seminars on financial literacy and inequality.

Reporting period November 2025 – October 2026

UN targets addressed: 1.2 · 1.4 · 1.b

261

students supported by the Educational Student Loan Fund in 2025

Evidence E1

227

students received internal financial aid in 2025

Evidence E1

800+

vacancies from 100 employers at the April 2026 job fair

Evidence E13

22

welfare applications resolved by the student union, Jan–Oct 2026

Evidence E5

POLICY AND COMMITMENT

Commitments set out in published policy

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Policy, 5.1

v5.0 · 2026

Nobody should be held back by unjustified barriers. Equality is built into access, participation, progression and outcomes for students and staff.

Evidence E2

Accommodation Policy, 2 and 6.1

v4.0 · 2026

Housing costs are weighed against students' financial circumstances. Priority goes to students from remote areas and those with documented social needs.

Evidence E3

Lifelong Learning and Community Education Policy, 5.1 and 5.3

v1.0 · 2026

Open and equitable access with transparent fees. Every activity states whether it is free or fee-based.

Evidence E4

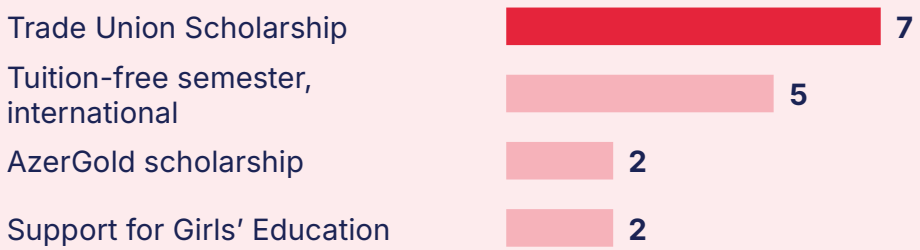
KEY INDICATORS

Financial support and work opportunities in numbers

November 2025 – October 2026, from published news and student union records

Scholarships, waivers and awards in published news

16 students supported across four schemes



Separate schemes with different criteria; a student may appear in more than one.

Job fair with the State Employment Agency, April 2026

800+ vacancies from 100 employers

- Open to final-year students, recent graduates and jobseekers
- Azersun Career Day on internships and jobs, March 2026
- Baku Shipyard: 8 interns certified, 3 hired part-time, October 2026
- One graduate started as a design engineer at the shipyard

Vacancies offered, not confirmed hires.

Also: Applicant Counselling Centre gives free help 09:00–17:30, including weekends in August 2026

Evidence: E7, E9, E6, E16, E13, E10, E18

KEY INDICATORS, 2023–2025

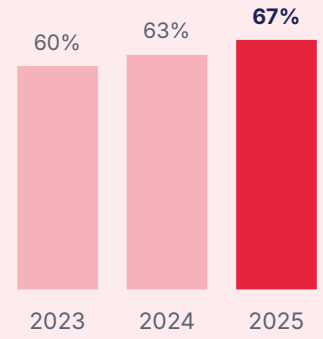
More students reached by financial support

As reported in the SDG 1 Report 2025 (rev2). The report gives AzTU internal records as the source.

Students receiving any financial aid

67%

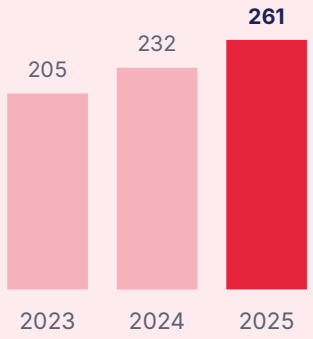
+7 pp since 2023



Students supported by the Educational Student Loan Fund

261

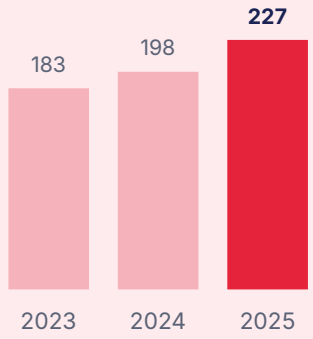
+27% since 2023



Internal financial aid beneficiaries

227

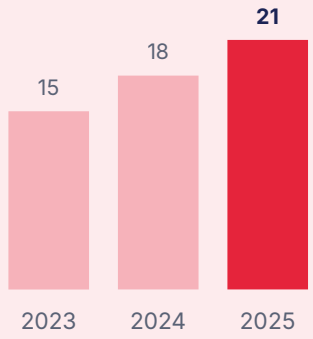
+24% since 2023



Named and donor scholarships

21

+40% since 2023



The 2023 aid share is reported as about 60%. Loan and aid recipients may overlap and are not added together.

Evidence: E1



THE IMPACT METRIC

1.3

Support for low-income students

How AzTU helps students who face financial barriers to enter, stay and finish their studies.

IN THIS SECTION

Applicant guidance · Financial aid · Scholarships · Welfare

1.3 · SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS

Help with the cost of study

Students can turn to internal financial aid, the state Educational Student Loan Fund, scholarships and the Student Trade Union Committee, which resolves welfare requests and refers students to other help.

14 August 2026 · Applicant Counselling Centre

Free help with online specialty-choice applications, 09:00–17:30, also open on 15–16 August.

67%

of students received financial aid, 2025

Up from about 60% in 2023, as reported in the SDG 1 Report 2025 (rev2).

STUDENT UNION WELFARE, JAN–OCT 2026

- 22 applications resolved, 11 of them from low-income families
- Financial assistance for 21 students

Evidence: E1, E5, E17

1.3 · SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS

Scholarships and waivers that keep students studying

International students
19 March 2026

Five top-performing international students exempted from tuition for the spring semester.

Trade Union
4 March 2026

Seven AzTU students awarded the Trade Union Scholarship.

AzerGold
20 February 2026

Two AzTU students won monthly scholarships and internships at production sites.

Girls' education
30 June 2026

Two AzTU students graduated from the state project "Support for Girls' Education".



"Support for Girls' Education" graduation, June 2026

Evidence: E9, E7, E6, E16



THE IMPACT METRIC

1.4

Community anti-poverty programmes

How AzTU connects students and jobseekers with work, enterprise and financial know-how.

IN THIS SECTION

Jobs · Careers · Enterprise · Financial literacy

1.4 · COMMUNITY PROGRAMMES

A job fair for students and jobseekers

24 April 2026 · With the State Employment Agency

More than 800 vacancies from 100 employers were offered to unemployed jobseekers, final-year students and recent graduates, helping them reach the labour market and meet employers.

20 October 2026 · Baku Shipyard

Eight students certified after summer internships; three now work part-time and a graduate joined as a design engineer.



Job fair opening, April 2026

Evidence: E13, E18

1.4 · COMMUNITY PROGRAMMES

Skills, enterprise and public dialogue

Financial literacy

19 March 2026

Seminar on financial knowledge and the opportunities and risks of digital financial tools.

Evidence E11

Poverty, Inequality and Development

6 April 2026

Seminar on inclusive growth and the Multidimensional Poverty Index.

Evidence E12

SDG roundtable

11 March 2026

SDG 1, 2 and 8 discussed with the Public Council of the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection.

Evidence E8

Azersun Career Day

19 March 2026

Students learned about internships and jobs at Azersun Holding.

Evidence E10

Start-up grant in Khankendi

4 May 2026

An AzTU start-up won first place and a 3,000 AZN grant.

Evidence E15

State start-up status

27 April 2026

KOBIA certified the student start-up ChatX: three years without profit tax on innovation revenue.

Evidence E14

LINKS TO OTHER SDGS

Anti-poverty work that serves the other Goals

4 Quality Education

Free applicant counselling and tuition waivers widen access to study.

5 Gender Equality

Two students graduated from “Support for Girls’ Education”.

8 Decent Work and Economic Growth

Job fair with 800+ vacancies; hires at Baku Shipyard.

9 Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure

Student start-ups recognised by KOBIA and in Khankendi.

10 Reduced Inequalities

Housing priority for students with social needs.

17 Partnerships for the Goals

State Employment Agency, AzerGold and Azersun as partners.

PRIORITIES FOR 2027

From support activity to measured reach

01

One student support register

Unique counts across aid, loans, scholarships and waivers.

02

Define low-income

Set a household-income threshold and report admitted students against it.

03

Track completion

Graduation rates for students who received financial support.

04

Follow up the job fair

Record hires from the fair, not only vacancies offered.

05

Open finance training to the public

Run financial-literacy sessions for local residents and record attendance.

EVIDENCE

Sources behind this report

Code	Evidence	Date
E1	SDG 1 Report 2025 (rev2)	Oct 2026
E2	Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Policy v5.0	2026
E3	Accommodation Policy v4.0	2026
E4	Lifelong Learning and Community Education Policy v1.0	2026
E5	Student Trade Union Committee; figures from STUC records	Jan–Oct 2026
E6	AzTU students win AzerGold scholarships	20 Feb 2026
E7	Seven AzTU students awarded the Trade Union Scholarship	4 Mar 2026
E8	Roundtable on SDG 1, 2 and 8	11 Mar 2026
E9	Tuition-free semester for international students	19 Mar 2026

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E10	Azersun Career Day	19 Mar 2026
E11	Seminar on financial literacy and digital financial tools	19 Mar 2026
E12	Seminar “Poverty, Inequality and Development”	6 Apr 2026
E13	Job fair with the State Employment Agency	24 Apr 2026
E14	KOBIA start-up certificate for ChatX	27 Apr 2026
E15	Start-up first place at Khankendi festival	4 May 2026
E16	Two students graduate from “Support for Girls’ Education”	30 Jun 2026
E17	Applicant Counselling Centre open at weekends	14 Aug 2026
E18	AzTU students hired at Baku Shipyard	20 Oct 2026

Every title links to its public source on aztu.edu.az.

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