

NHA TRANG UNIVERSITY



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MISSION

To carry out research, to train highly qualified manpower, and to transfer knowledge in multiple disciplines, focusing on promoting strengths in marine and fisheries science and technology.

VISION

To become a high-ranked university in Vietnam and one of the leading universities in Asia in some disciplines in marine and fisheries science and technology by 2045.



CORE VALUES

Pioneering - Unity - Integration - Dynamism - Responsibility.

EDUCATIONAL PHILOSOPHY

To develop professionalism, creativity and sense of responsibility in an integrated education environment linked to professional practice and the community.



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MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING PRESENTS THE DECISION TO

APPOINT THE RECTOR OF NHA TRANG UNIVERSITY

On September 12, 2025, at Nha Trang University, Minister of Education and Training Nguyen Kim Son presented the Decision to recognize Dr. Quach Hoai Nam as the Rector of Nha Trang University for the 2020-2025 term. In his speech, the Minister congratulated the new Rector and highly appreciated the outstanding achievements the University has attained over more than 66 years of establishment and development. He affirmed that Nha Trang University plays an important role in training high-quality human resources, conducting scientific research, and transferring technology-particularly in the fields of marine science, fisheries, tourism, and economics-thereby making practical contributions to the country's development.

The event marking the presentation of the Rector's appointment decision and the Minister's working visit not only signifies a milestone for Nha Trang University but also opens a new direction for its future development, enhancing the University's position within Vietnam's higher education system and in the region.



Seminar on Contributing **OPINIONS TO THE DRAFT AMENDMENT TO THE LAW ON HIGHER EDUCATION**



On July 3, 2025, at Nha Trang University, the Ministry of Education and Training organized a scientific seminar to gather feedback on the Draft Amendment to the Law on Higher Education. The event attracted the participation of numerous experts, scholars, administrators, and representatives from 55 higher education institutions in the Central and Central Highlands regions. The seminar focused on discussing key contents of the draft amendment, which outlines comprehensive reform directions to meet the demands of educational development in the new era. Representatives from the Department of Higher Education presented an overview of the draft, emphasizing six major policy groups:

(1) Enhancing the effectiveness of state management and developing advanced university governance models; (2) Modernizing curricula and training methods, applying advanced technologies, and promoting lifelong learning; (3) Positioning higher education institutions as centers for research, innovation, and high-quality human resource training; (4) Mobilizing resources and improving investment efficiency toward the modernization of higher education; (5) Developing a team of excellent lecturers and scientists while fostering an academic environment of creativity and integrity; (6) Renewing approaches and ensuring substance in the quality assurance and accreditation of higher education.

WELCOMING DELEGATION FROM

Samarkand State University to Discuss Biotechnology Collaboration



On July 31, 2025, Nha Trang University (NTU) was honored to welcome a delegation from Samarkand State University (SSU), Uzbekistan, for a meeting to exchange and discuss potential cooperation opportunities in the field of biotechnology. The meeting marked an important step forward in strengthening international collaboration between the two institutions. The discussion focused on several potential areas of cooperation. Both sides agreed to consider developing shared online lectures, creating opportunities for students and lecturers from both universities to learn from each other. In addition, joint research programs were proposed, focusing on biotechnology topics related to botany and environmental protection. A key highlight of the meeting was the plan to co-supervise master's and doctoral theses, offering postgraduate students valuable access to an international academic environment. The two universities also discussed faculty and student exchange programs to enhance academic and cultural exchange between Vietnam and Uzbekistan.

NHA TRANG UNIVERSITY WELCOMES THE AMBASSADOR OF ISRAEL TO VIETNAM



On August 18, 2025, Nha Trang University had the honor of welcoming H.E. Yaron Mayer, Ambassador of Israel to Vietnam, and his delegation, marking an important step forward in expanding international cooperation. Representing the University were Prof. Dr. Pham Quoc Hung, Vice Rector, along with leaders of relevant departments.

During the meeting, the two sides discussed opportunities for collaboration in education and research. Ambassador Yaron Mayer expressed his pleasure in visiting the University and highlighted the significance of the visit, which coincided with the 30th anniversary of diplomatic relations between Vietnam and Israel. He proposed the signing of memorandums of understanding (MOUs) as a foundation for long-term cooperation.



The Ambassador also introduced Israel's scholarship programs, including short-term (3-5 week) courses for staff and long-term (1-year) programs for students in the fields of agriculture, biotechnology, environment, and marine studies. Previously, three staff members from the Institute of Aquaculture at Nha Trang University had participated in training programs in Israel, which helped strengthen their professional expertise and foster institutional collaboration between the two sides.



NHA TRANG UNIVERSITY OFFICIALLY BECOMES AN ASSOCIATE MEMBER OF AUN-QA



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**Subject: AUN-QA Associate Membership Acceptance Letter -
Nha Trang University**

Dear **Dr. Quach Hoai Nam**,

On behalf of the ASEAN University Network-Quality Assurance (AUN-QA), we are pleased to inform you that your institution, **Nha Trang University**, has fulfilled all the requirements of an AUN-QA Associate Membership and has been accepted as an AUN-QA Associate Member by the AUN-QA Council on 7 July 2025.

Congratulations and welcome to the AUN-QA Family! We look forward to cooperating with you and your institution to foster quality education in our region and beyond.

Yours sincerely,

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Based on its submitted application, Nha Trang University has been officially recognized as an Associate Member of the ASEAN University Network - Quality Assurance (AUN-QA) as of July 2025.

AUN-QA, under the ASEAN University Network (AUN), is a prestigious organization dedicated to promoting and ensuring the quality of higher education across the ASEAN region. Membership in AUN-QA opens up valuable opportunities for Nha Trang University to align with international standards, enhance the quality of training and scientific research, and expand its international cooperation network.

This achievement affirms the University's continuous efforts in quality improvement, meeting the growing demand for high-quality human resources.

NHA TRANG UNIVERSITY WELCOMES DELEGATION FROM THE GUANGXI OCEANIC ADMINISTRATION, CHINA

On August 29, 2025, Nha Trang University welcomed a delegation from the Guangxi Oceanic Administration (GOA), China, led by Mr. Xie Xianzhi, Deputy Director-General. Representing the University were Prof. Dr. Pham Quoc Hung, Vice Rector, along with representatives from relevant departments.

During the meeting, the two sides discussed potential directions for cooperation in marine science and technology, focusing on developing sustainable models for marine resource exploitation, establishing marine warning and forecasting systems, and applying artificial intelligence (AI) in maritime management and safety assurance.



Prof. Dr. Pham Quoc Hung affirmed that Nha Trang University highly values international collaboration and is ready to work with GOA in implementing joint research projects, applied studies, and academic exchanges.

The meeting took place in a friendly and constructive atmosphere, opening promising prospects for practical cooperation in the near future.

ICFA 2025 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE: AN ACADEMIC FORUM ON FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE



Nha Trang University, in collaboration with the Tropical Knowledge and Innovation Institute Management (TKIIM), Sri Lanka, successfully organized the 12th International Conference on Fisheries and Aquaculture (ICFA 2025) in Nha Trang on September 16–17, 2025. The event brought together nearly 100 delegates from over 20 countries and territories, including experts, scientists, entrepreneurs, and policymakers. Under the theme “Applying the Food System Approach: Towards the Full Utilization of Fisheries and Aquaculture Potential”.

The conference served as an important forum for sharing scientific advancements, management experiences, and sustainable development solutions in the context of climate change. Research presentations from Nha Trang University received significant attention from participating scholars, including studies on DHA enrichment in live feed for red snappers and morphological development in silver pomfret. ICFA 2025 reaffirmed the University’s academic reputation while promoting research collaboration, training partnerships, and technology transfer with international partners.



NHA TRANG UNIVERSITY WELCOMES 12 SCHOLARSHIP STUDENTS FROM VANUATU AND HOLDS ORIENTATION FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS



Nha Trang University held a welcoming ceremony for 12 scholarship students from Vanuatu (Course 67) and an orientation program for international students and trainees currently studying or participating in exchange programs at the University. The event, held on September 15, 2025, was attended by the University's Board of Rectors, representatives from the Consulate General of Vanuatu in Ho Chi Minh City, leaders of university departments, as well as members of the Youth Union and Student Association. The ceremony also welcomed seven new international students from Canada, Taiwan, the Philippines, and Kenya.



The orientation program included a variety of engaging activities such as an introduction to the University, guidance on academic regulations, a Vietnamese language study plan, club activities, and cultural exchange sessions. Prior to the ceremony, the University had completed all necessary preparations, including student registration, issuance of student ID cards and health insurance, and housing arrangements for the Vanuatu students. This activity reflects the University's continuous efforts toward internationalization of education, as well as its commitment to strengthening cooperation and cultural exchange.



NHA TRANG UNIVERSITY OPENS VIETNAMESE SUMMER COURSE FOR RUSSIAN STUDENTS

On July 1, 2025, Nha Trang University held the Opening Ceremony of the 2025 Vietnamese Summer Course for 17 students from Lomonosov Moscow State University (Russian Federation). The program is part of the educational cooperation between the two countries, aiming to promote cultural exchange and enhance Vietnamese language proficiency for international students.



The four-week course (July 1–31, 2025) features a rich blend of theoretical and practical activities, including real-life communication practice at local markets and traditional eateries, field trips to historical sites and craft villages, and creative projects such as producing podcasts and short videos titled “A Day as a Vietnamese.” In the final week, students will showcase their learning outcomes through skits and cultural performances they design and perform themselves.

The program is not merely a language course but also a meaningful cultural journey, nurturing future Russian-Vietnamese cultural ambassadors who will strengthen the friendship and mutual understanding between the two nations.



CEREMONY TO ANNOUNCE ACCREDITATION RECOGNITION FOR SEVEN TRAINING PROGRAMS

On July 1, 2025, Nha Trang University solemnly held a ceremony to announce the decision and present certificates of accreditation for seven academic programs, including Law, Development Economics, Marketing, Management Information Systems, Thermal Engineering, Mechatronic Engineering, and Maritime Science. This event marks an important milestone in affirming the University's commitment to educational quality and compliance with the rigorous standards of the national accreditation system.

As of now, 25 out of 30 training programs at Nha Trang University have been officially accredited. The University plans to complete the accreditation process for all remaining programs by the end of 2025, ensuring comprehensive educational quality across all disciplines.



OPENING CEREMONY OF THE OFFICIAL EXTERNAL ASSESSMENT FOR FIVE UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS AT NHA TRANG UNIVERSITY



Nha Trang University, in collaboration with the Thang Long Center for Education Quality Accreditation, held the opening ceremony of the official external assessment survey for five undergraduate programs on September 8, 2025. The programs under evaluation include Environmental Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Automotive Engineering, Manufacturing Technology, and Economics.

The ceremony was attended by leaders from the Thang Long Center for Education Quality Accreditation, the External Evaluation Team led by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Le Van Anh, as well as the University's Board of Rectors and representatives from various departments. During the event, the evaluation team announced the establishment decision, outlined the objectives, content, and schedule of the survey, and listened to an overview report on the University and its programs. Immediately afterward, the team conducted activities such as reviewing evidence, interviewing stakeholders, and observing facilities and learning environments.

The four-day assessment represents an important step toward ensuring objective and independent evaluation of training quality in accordance with the regulations of the Ministry of Education and Training (MOET). It also serves as an opportunity for Nha Trang University to further enhance its quality assurance system, reaffirming its commitment to continuous improvement and sustainable development.

GRADUATION CEREMONY FOR MASTER'S AND DOCTORAL DEGREE HOLDERS – 2025

Nha Trang University held its 2025 Graduation Ceremony for Master's and Doctoral Degree Holders on August 24, in a solemn and warm atmosphere. The event honored four new Doctors and 114 new Masters across various disciplines, marking an important milestone in the University's mission to train high-quality human resources.

In his speech, Rector Dr. Quach Hoai Nam congratulated the new graduates, emphasizing that their achievements were the result of individual dedication combined with the continuous support and commitment of the University's faculty and staff.

Since 1987, Nha Trang University has awarded degrees to 118 Doctoral and 4,269 Master's graduates, reaffirming its significant role in providing highly qualified human resources to meet the needs of national development.

The new Master's and Doctoral graduates are expected to apply their knowledge, skills, and research competencies to further contribute to their professional fields, management roles, and scientific endeavors.

This ceremony also highlights the growing reputation and academic standing of Nha Trang University in the field of postgraduate education.



NHA TRANG UNIVERSITY SOLEMNLY HOLDS THE OPENING CEREMONY FOR THE 2025–2026 ACADEMIC YEAR



In harmony with the nationwide celebration of the new academic year and the 80th anniversary of the establishment of the Ministry of National Education, Nha Trang University held its Opening Ceremony for the 2025–2026 Academic Year on September 5. The event was conducted in a hybrid format (both in-person and online), with a live broadcast connection to the national opening ceremony organized by the Ministry of Education and Training (MOET) in Hanoi.



During the 2024–2025 academic year, the University achieved many remarkable accomplishments: it launched four new undergraduate majors/specializations, introduced eight flexible 3.5-year programs, three special programs, and three enterprise-commissioned programs; completed accreditation for 14 programs; signed 17 new Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) for international cooperation; became a member of International Marine-related higher education and research network (IAMRI); ranked 19th in the UPM system and 30th nationwide in scientific publications. Research activities also flourished, with 38 university-level projects, 74 student research projects, and several projects funded by the National Foundation for Science and Technology Development (NAFOSTED) and MOET. NTU students earned numerous awards domestically and internationally, while actively engaging in community service initiatives.

Entering the new academic year with 4,000 freshmen, the University has identified key priorities across all areas of operation. The Opening Ceremony not only marked the beginning of a new academic journey but also reaffirmed NTU's strong commitment to developing into a modern, internationally integrated institution of training and research.





THE 2ND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON “MARINE SUSTAINABILITY, DEVELOPMENT, AND INNOVATION” (MSDI 2025)

From July 25 to 27, 2025, Nha Trang University, in collaboration with the Department of Science and Technology of Khanh Hoa Province and Vietnam Maritime University, successfully organized the 2nd International Conference on “Marine Sustainability, Development, and Innovation” (MSDI 2025). This major scientific event contributed to promoting the sustainable development of Vietnam’s and the region’s marine economy, attracting over 200 delegates from six countries and territories.

The conference featured plenary sessions and in-depth discussions with keynote speakers from Japan, South Korea, and Vietnam. Key topics included: Offshore engineering technology and climate change adaptation solutions; Sustainable aquaculture integrating AI and IoT; Marine product processing toward a circular economy; Efficient fisheries exploitation through advanced technologies; Multidisciplinary marine sciences and innovation trends.

MSDI 2025 put forward specific solutions to realize Vietnam’s Strategy for Sustainable Marine Economic Development toward 2030, with a vision to 2045, focusing on technology transfer, ecosystem conservation, and renewable energy development.



SUCCESSFULLY DEVELOPS ARTIFICIAL BREEDING TECHNOLOGY FOR LONGFIN BATFISH

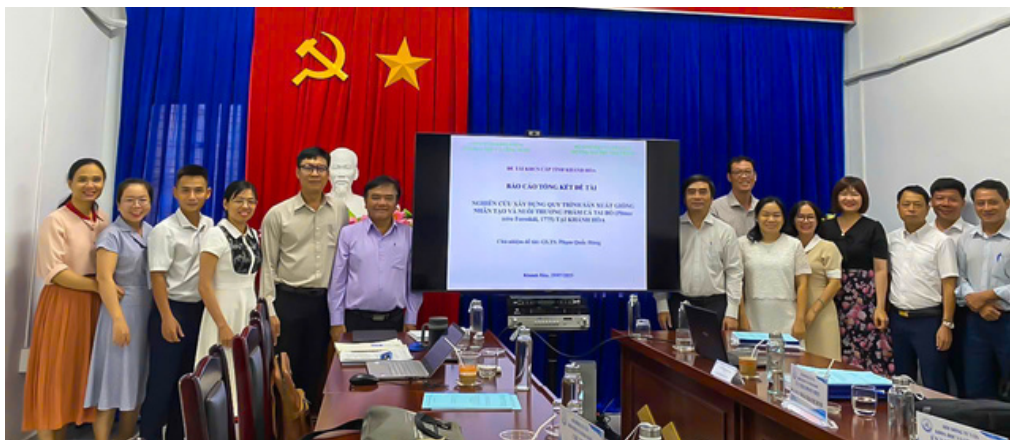
On July 29, 2025, the Specialized Science and Technology Council of Khanh Hoa Province held a final evaluation session for the research project titled "Building of Artificial Breeding and Commercial Farming Procedures for Longfin batfish (*Platax teira* Forsskål, 1775) in Khanh Hoa province".

The project, led by Prof. Dr. Pham Quoc Hung and implemented by Nha Trang University, was carried out from November 2022 to May 2025 with a total budget of over 2 billion VND. Its objective was to establish technical procedures for broodstock rearing, seed nursing, spawning and hatching, as well as to conduct pilot trials of commercial cage farming using industrial feed.

After 25 months of implementation, the research team successfully developed artificial breeding and commercial farming protocols, opening up new prospects for the development of this high-value fish species in Khanh Hoa Province.



In addition, the project trained two technicians and provided technology transfer training to 40 local fishermen. The Council rated the project as excellent, recognizing its high practical applicability and its contribution to sustainable aquaculture development, improving local livelihoods, and enhancing Nha Trang University's reputation in fisheries research and technology transfer.



In the third quarter of 2025, the Institute for Ship Research and Manufacturing (UNINSHIP) – Nha Trang University – successfully launched three new vessels, demonstrating its diverse design and construction capabilities that meet both domestic and international demands, contributing to the sustainable development of Vietnam's marine economy

On July 16, UNINSHIP launched the BIG BAY 05 passenger vessel, the first in a series of four vessels ordered by Big Bay Yacht Joint Stock Company (Vietnam). The vessel is 16.75 meters long, carries 48 passengers and 4 crew members, and is fully constructed from advanced composite materials. Equipped with a Hyundai 360HP engine, an air-conditioning system, and noise- and heat-resistant structures, the BIG BAY 05 is ideally suited for tourist transportation in scenic bays such as Lan Ha and Ha Long, ensuring a comfortable and safe travel experience for passengers.

UNINSHIP LAUNCHES THREE NEW VESSELS IN A ROW, AFFIRMING ITS RESEARCH AND SHIPBUILDING CAPACITY



Following that, on July 29, UNINSHIP launched the TAFICO FV.01 — a 22-meter-long, 500HP tuna fishing vessel built for Yanmar Group (Japan) and exported to the United Republic of Tanzania. The vessel features fish holds, ice holds, bait storage, fuel and freshwater tanks made of stainless steel, all meeting VFR classification standards. The use of composite materials makes the vessel lighter, more fuel-efficient, and more durable for offshore fishing, opening new opportunities for international collaboration in export-oriented shipbuilding



*M*ost recently, on September 23, UNINSHIP held a launching ceremony for the SEN 03 passenger vessel, built for TQD Travel Vietnam Co., Ltd. (Cat Ba, Hai Phong). The 20-meter-long, 3.5-meter-wide, 9-ton vessel has a capacity of 75 passengers and is equipped with a WEICHAH WP13C500-18 main engine (500HP), as well as a high-capacity generator and air-conditioning system. Constructed using composite sandwich materials for noise and heat insulation and fitted with tempered glass windows, the vessel is eco-friendly, safe, and fuel-efficient. After sea trials, SEN 03 will operate from Tuan Chau Port (province Quang Ninh) to Lan Ha Bay, one of Northern Vietnam's premier marine tourism destinations.



*T*he consecutive launches of three vessels in a short period not only reaffirm UNINSHIP's reputation and innovative engineering capabilities in applying new composite technologies but also contribute to the growth of Vietnam's shipbuilding industry, sustainable fisheries, and marine tourism. This achievement marks an important milestone in positioning UNINSHIP as an international brand, supporting Vietnam's vision for a sustainable blue ocean economy.

STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM 2025

On July 7, 2025, Nha Trang University held the Opening Ceremony of the 2025 Student Exchange Program in collaboration with Kien Giang University. The event marked the beginning of a meaningful series of cooperative activities, creating opportunities for more than 100 students from both universities to engage in academic learning and multicultural experiences.



The program takes place from July 7 to July 20, 2025, at Nha Trang University, featuring a wide range of activities, including: Academic Component: Specialized lectures, interdisciplinary seminars, and knowledge-sharing sessions; Cultural and Skills Development: Cultural exchanges, soft-skill practice workshops, and field trips; Networking Activities: Team-building sessions and art performances connecting students from both universities.

Now in its third year, the program has proven effective in promoting educational cooperation between universities in different localities. Participating students will receive certificates of completion, academic credit recognition, and gain valuable experiences for their personal and professional development journeys.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Final Round of the 2025 Student
Science and Technology Awards –
November 2025

Celebration of the 43rd Anniversary of
Vietnamese Teachers' Day (November
20, 1982 – November 20, 2025)

