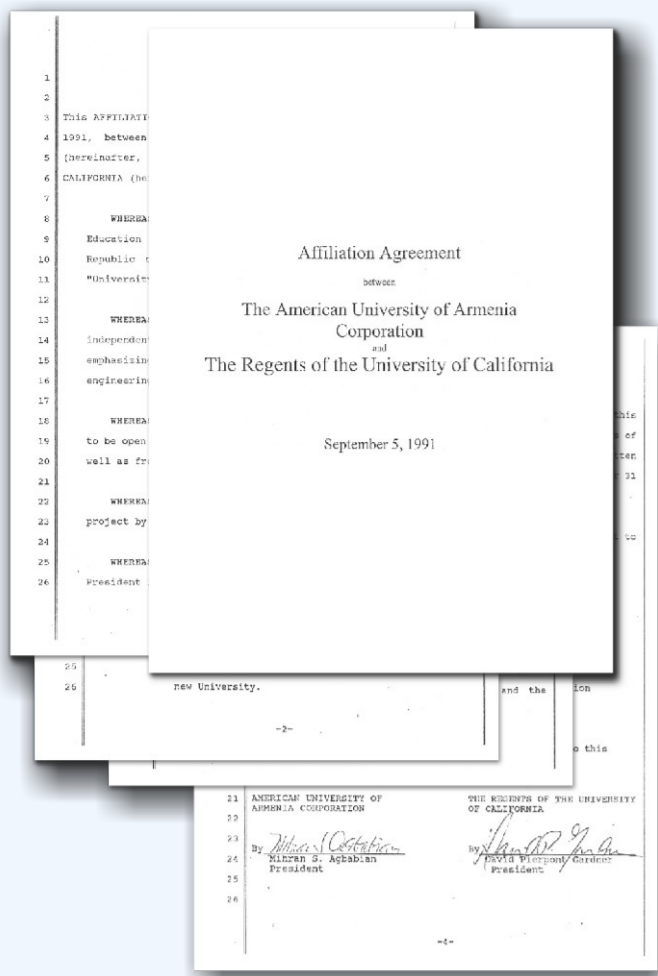


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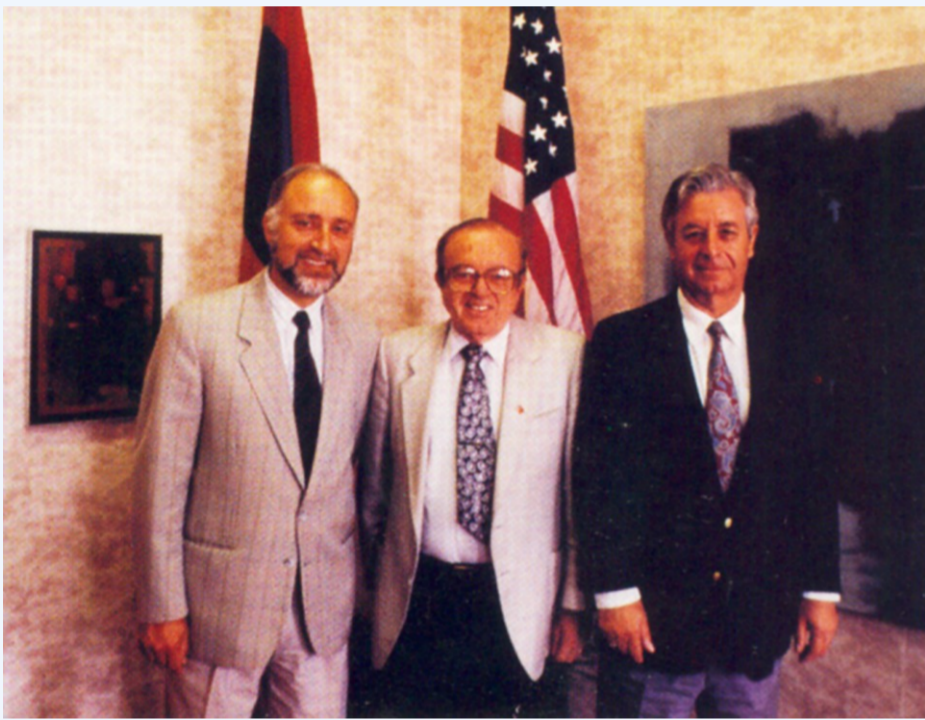
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AUA founding documents



Signing of the affiliation agreement between the University of California and AUA



The founders of AUA: Armen Der Kiureghian, Mihran Agbabian and Stepan Karamardian

1991

◆ The American University of Armenia is founded through the partnership and support of the Armenian General Benevolent Union, the University of California, and the Government of the Republic of Armenia. ◆ Throughout AUA's existence, the University has continued to receive generous contributions from AGBU for its academic success and excellence. ◆ AUA is launched as Armenia's first institution of Western-style higher education with a commitment to quality teaching, research and community service. ◆ The University opens its doors on Armenian Independence Day, September 21, with 101 students enrolled in the Intensive English Program. ◆ Within months, these students move into their respective graduate degree programs in Business and Management, Earthquake Engineering, and Industrial Engineering. ◆ AUA's first President is Dr. Mihran Agbabian. Dr. Armen Der Kiureghian and Dr. Stepan Karamardian assume positions as Dean of College of Engineering and Dean of College of Business and Management, respectively.



Signing of the Agreement for the English Language Program with the University of California



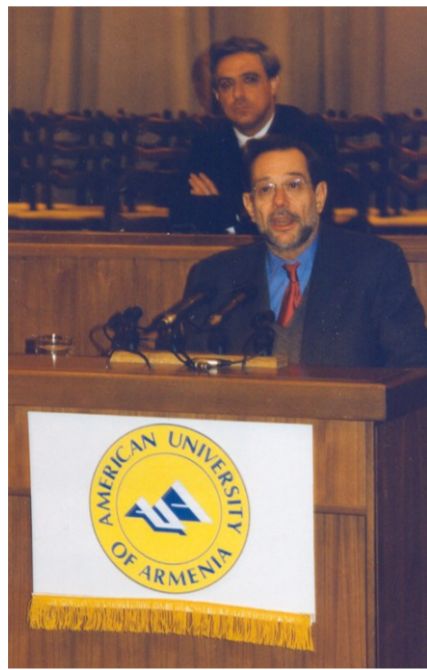
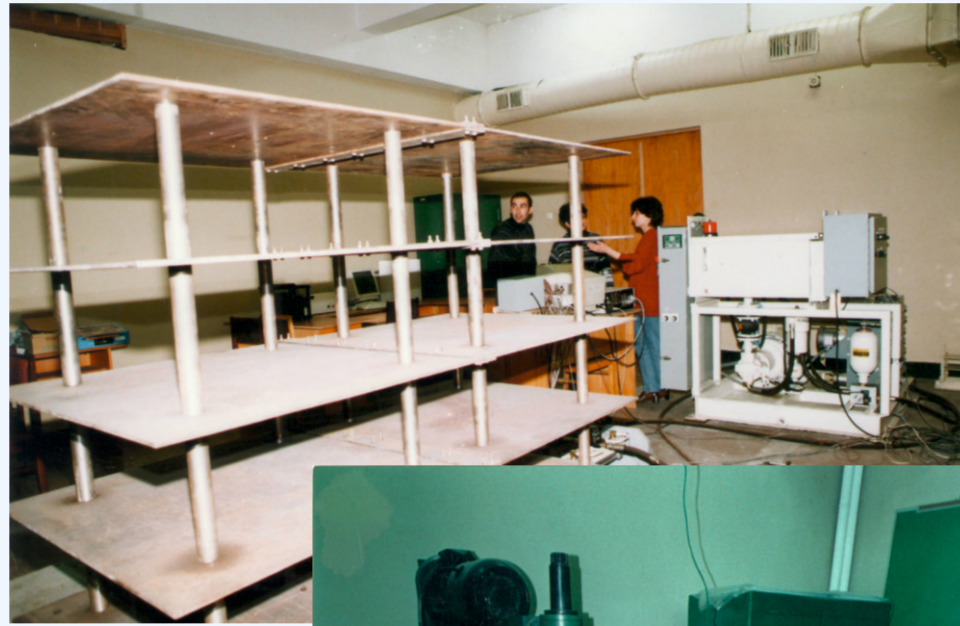
Papazian Library, then and now



Students working on a team project



Engineering Research Center has its own designated laboratories, including an earthquake shake table and a computer-controlled manufacturing facility



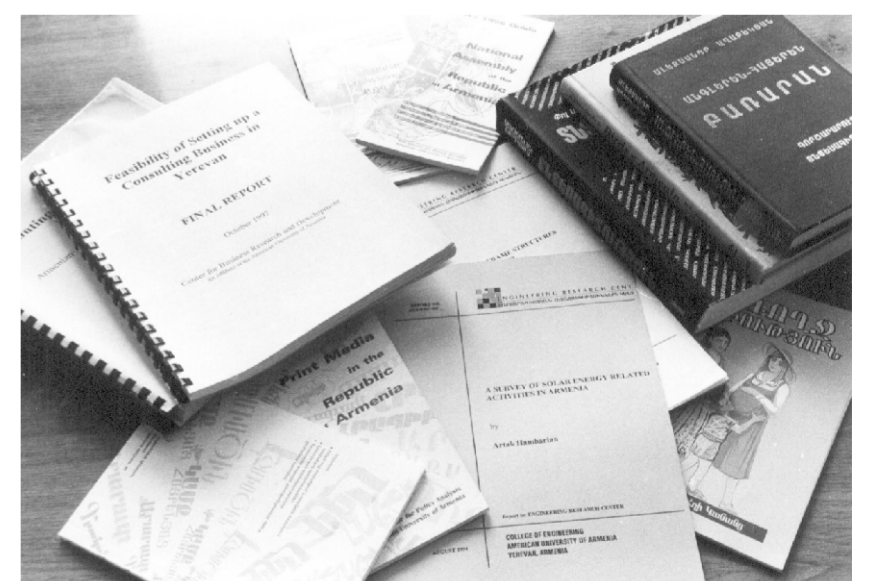
The Speaker lecture series is launched by the Extension Program

1992

- ◆ The Certificate Program in Teaching English as a Foreign Language to prepare English school teachers is established.
- ◆ The Environmental Conservation and Research Center opens to provide courses to AUA students and to conduct research.
- ◆ The College of Engineering establishes the Engineering Research Center and the School for Business and Management opens the Center for Business Research and Development.
- ◆ The AUA Extension Program is created to offer short courses and training for working professionals and the general public. Since its inception 9,000 people have enrolled in Extension Program courses.
- ◆ The Student Council is established to promote the general interest and welfare of the student body, to enhance student communication and leadership skills, and to promote academic freedom, responsibility, and excellence.



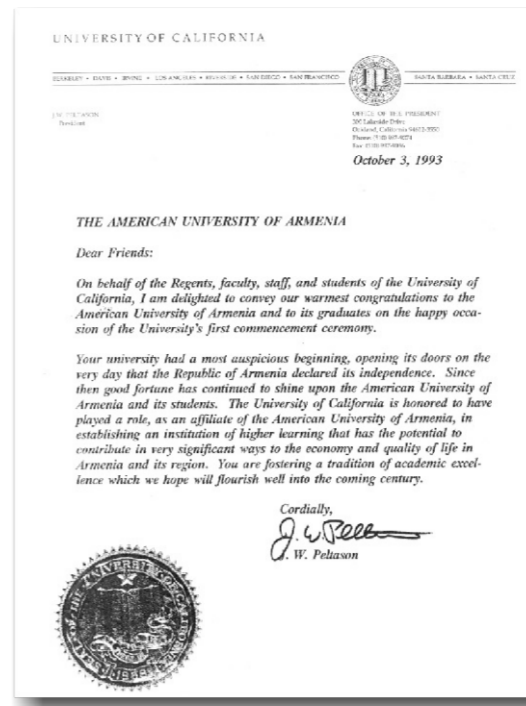
AUA Computer Labs, then and now



CBRD prints and translates books on business



Mrs. Louise Simone,
President of AGBU,
giving Commencement Address



Congratulatory document from the Regents, Officers, and Faculties of the University of California to the first graduating class



AUA Diploma



The first Graduating Class



1993

◆ The University holds its first Commencement ceremony graduating thirty eight men and women in Business and Management, ten in Industrial Engineering, and five in Earthquake Engineering. ◆ The Birds of Armenia Program begins its mission to increase environmental awareness in Armenia. ◆ Several books are published for community education and outreach, promoting birding and local involvement in environmental conservation, including A Field Guide to the Birds of Armenia (in English) in 1997; the Handbook of the Birds of Armenia in 1999; a Reference Map for the Birds of Armenia Project in 1999; and A Field Guide to the Birds of Armenia (in Armenian) in 2000.



U.S. Senator Paul Simon



Madeline Albright,
U.S. Ambassador
to the United Nations



Publications of the Birds of
Armenia Program



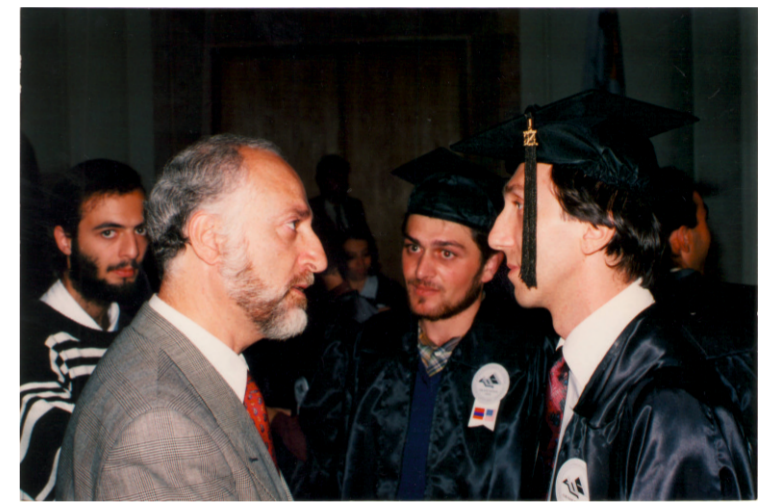
Commencement ceremony



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Dean A. Der Kiureghian
congratulates the graduates of
the College of Engineering



U.S. Ambassador H. Gilmore with
Dean N. Schahgaldian and
Prof. R. Tembekchjian



1994

◆ The School of Political Science and International Affairs is established offering a Master of Arts in Political Science and International Affairs. The PSIA degree is career-oriented and gives students the broader skills and analytical perspectives necessary to function effectively in government as the new generation of diplomats, policy analysts, and administrators; strong emphasis is placed on acquiring a comprehensive understanding of policy making, and of policy evaluation and implementation. ◆ The Alumni Association is established to support the fulfillment of the professional and academic potential of AUA alumni to contribute to the prosperity and broader development of the Republic of Armenia.



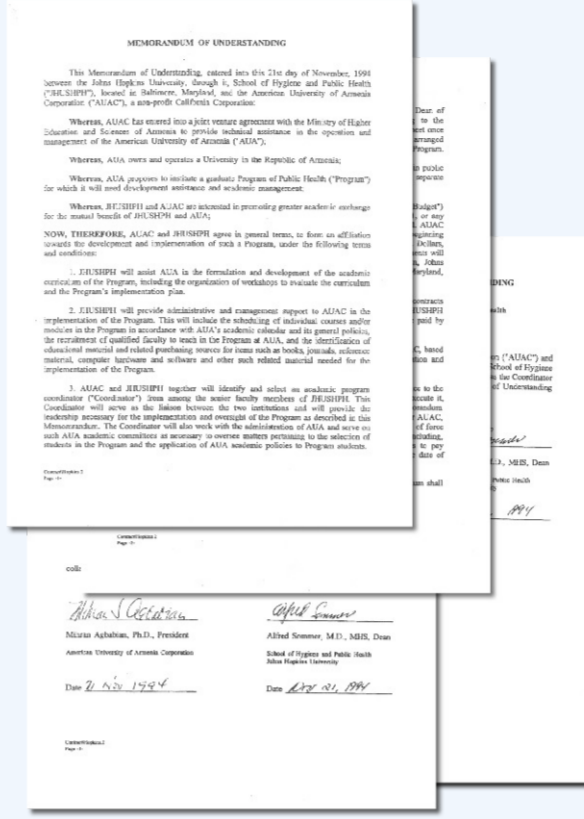
Alumni Association
is established



AUA students with Faculty



Teaching Agreement between Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health and AUA



Dean Sommer, President Agababian and Prof. Armenian sign Agreement between AUA and Johns Hopkins University

Mr. and Mrs. Turpanjian visiting T CPA with President Armenian



1995

- ◆ The College of Health Sciences is established, offering a Certificate in Public Health Program in affiliation with the Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health.
- ◆ The Center for Health Services Research and Development starts operating parallel to the Public Health Program providing technical assistance, research, evaluation, and program development assistance to the RA Ministry of Health and international humanitarian and donor organizations.
- ◆ The Turpanjian Center for Policy Analysis is established to conduct multidisciplinary applied policy research in a broad spectrum of contemporary social, political, and legal fields.



Students and faculty work together at the Turpanjian Center for Policy Analysis



College of Health Sciences Faculty



Graduates of the School of Business and Management with President M. Agbabian and Acting Dean H. Kassarian

AUA College of Health Sciences collaborates with the Ministry of Health of Armenia



Graduates of the School of Political Science and International Affairs with President M. Agbabian, Dean of Faculty D. Fuller and Dean N. Schahgaldian



1996

◆ The Certificate Program in Public Health expands into a full Master of Public Health degree program providing experienced health professionals a thorough grounding in population-based approaches to health sector problem identification, investigation, analysis, and managed response. ◆ Armenia's need for specialists capable of creating the legal foundation and staffing the institutions that support the needed reforms leads to the establishment of AUA's two year Master of Law degree program.



AUA students



Students of the School of Public Health with Dean H. Armenian



Graduates of the College of Engineering with Dean A. Der Kiureghian



Haroutune K. Armenian,
the new President of AUA



The first anti-smoking
campaign in Armenia is organized
by the Center for Health Services
Research and Development



The University meets prospective students
for the first Master of Law degree in Armenia



Department of English
Programs faculty

1997

◆ Dr. Haroutune K. Armenian is appointed as the second President of AUA. The Department of Law is established with the goal of preparing high-caliber legal advisers and advocates for Armenia and the region. ◆ The Legal Research Center is established as an integral component of the Law Department providing access to new publications and Internet-mediated databases covering all areas of relevance to law-based governance. ◆ The Master of Arts in Teaching English as a Foreign Language Program is established to complement the CTEFL Program. ◆ The degree combines theory and practical skills providing students an opportunity to conduct research in the field of applied linguistics and language teaching.



Facilities are improved to
accommodate the physically
challenged



MA students in TEFL
with Instructor V. Strohmeyer



The Legal Research Center



Graduates of the School of Business and Management



Commencement Ceremony



Graduates of the College of Engineering



1998

◆ In recognition of the trend towards more use of information technology a minor in Information Technology is initiated under the umbrella of Industrial Engineering and Systems Management. ◆ The Program emphasizes the use of computer and information technologies. ◆ The minor in Information Technology welcomes all AUA students; the program consists of a minimum of five courses on such topics as information systems analysis, design of databases, Java and C++ programming, and computer-human interfaces.



Students of the Department of English Programs with faculty



Graduates of the School of Political Science and International Affairs with faculty



Ceremonial hooding of a graduate student



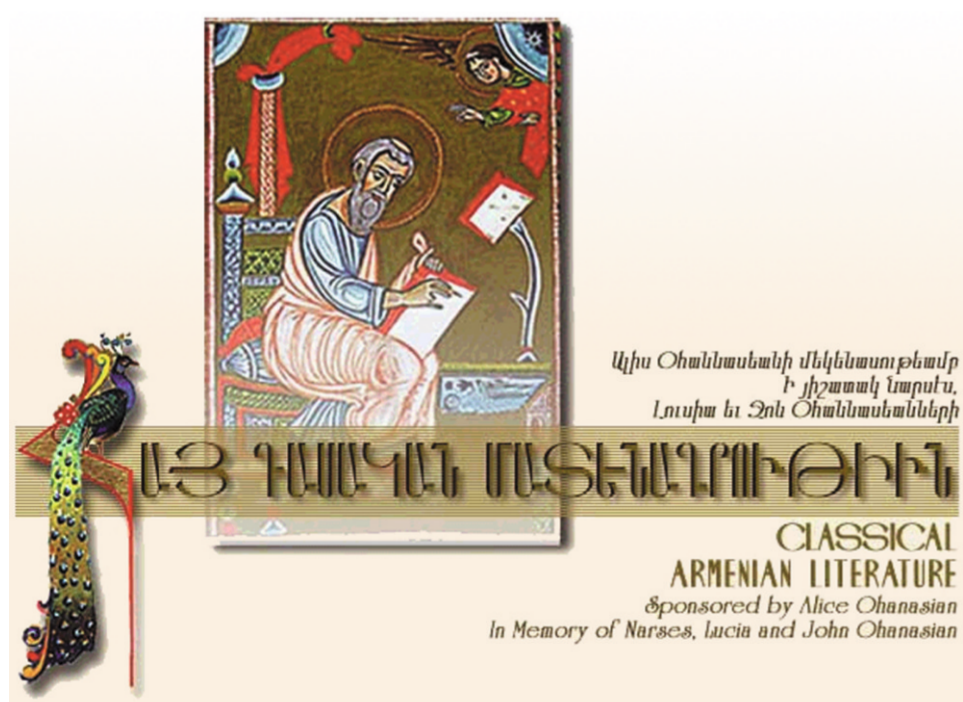
Commencement ceremony – Pomp and Circumstance



The first International project related to Solar Energy in Armenia

1999

◆ The U.S. Congress allocates \$9.6 million to the AUA Endowment Fund. ◆ The Environmental Conservation and Research Center begins offering a certificate program to second year students who want to include a specialization in environmental research in their graduate studies. ◆ The Digital Library project begins developing electronic versions of classical Armenian literature, which is essential for the preservation of the cultural heritage of Armenia and for making the rich Armenian literature accessible to a broad audience of readers and students. ◆ The Engineering Research Center launches a first-ever international solar energy project to heat and cool the AUA Small Auditorium.



The Digital Library project for digitizing classical Armenian literature begins



The Digital Library Project is introduced to the community