

*(feel free to modify questions as needed!)*

## **POL 386 Coil Project questions**

### **General/introduction**

1. Tell me more about who you are as a student: what is your major/specialization? How long have you been studying? Why did you choose Alatau university? What do you plan to do after graduation?
2. Tell me a bit more about you: where are you from in Kyrgyzstan? What are some of your interests? What do you like to do during your free time? What languages do you speak? What countries have you visited? (etc.)

### **Migration**

3. Do you have migrants in your family or close community? If so, what has been their experience as a migrant? (for example, where did they migrate to? What kind of job do/did they have? Have they returned/do they plan to return? What challenges have they faced? How has the pandemic affected them? etc.)
4. What do you think are the main drivers of migration from Kyrgyzstan?
5. What do you think are opportunities and challenges of mass labor migration for a country like Kyrgyzstan?
6. What is the gender dimension of labor migration from Kyrgyzstan, both in terms of challenges and opportunities?
7. What kind of migration policy changes would you like to see in Kyrgyzstan and Russia?
8. In your class, have you discussed migration to the US? If so, what did you learn? If not, what do you know about migration to the US?

### **Other**

9. How much has Kyrgyzstan been affected by the Covid-19 pandemic? How about you as a student? What policies have been put in place to fight the pandemic?