Title of the Program: Transformation in the South Caucasus (ტრანსფორმაცია სამხრეთ კავკასიაში)

1. **Head of the Program:** George Khelashvili, TSU Assistant Professor

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2. **Prerequisites for the program:** an undergraduate degree or recognized equivalent qualification in any academic area. Some background in social sciences is an asset.

3. **Examination Format:**
   - Written Examination (applicants write two short essays in response to essay questions) – 40% of overall score
   - English test (B2 level) – 20% of overall score
   - Interview – 40% of overall score
   - National exam for Master's programs – pass/fail

   **Suggested topics that may be included in the written examination:**
   1. The South Caucasus and international rivalry in the region
   2. Prospects of regional cooperation in the South Caucasus
   3. Nationalism and regional politics in the South Caucasus
   4. Political aspects of transition
   5. International Organizations and security of the South Caucasus
   6. Post-Soviet nation-building and globalization
   7. Social aspects of transition
   8. Economic reforms in transition countries

   **Academic materials recommended for general reading before the examinations:**
   3. Charles Grant, Europe's Blurred Boundaries: Rethinking enlargement and neighbourhood policy, pages 49-72, Ch. 5 & 6, London: Centre for European Reform.

Additional reading recommended:
Mathijs Pelkmans. Defending the Border: Identity, Religion, And Modernity in the Republic of Georgia (Culture and Society After Socialism) - Available in CSS library
Charles King. The Ghost of Freedom: A History of the Caucasus – To be purchased in Prosperos’ Books
Emerson M – Regional Cooperation in the south Caucasus / Center for European Policy and Study - Not found yet
Charles King. The Five Day War: Managing Moscow after the Georgia Crisis. Foreign Affairs, Nov. Dec. 2008 - Full text is not available
http://www.foreignaffairs.com/articles/64602/charles-king/the-five-day-war
General consideration - there is no reading material on displacement.

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