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Alexander Alimov, Director of the Department for Multilateral Humanitarian Cooperation and Cultural Relations of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation

«RUSSIA IS SECURING ITS STATUS AS ONE OF THE WORLD'S TOP EXPORTERS OF EDUCATIONAL SERVICES»

In the light of contemporary challenges and changes in the global education space, Russian education is becoming increasingly competitive and attractive to international students. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation plays a crucial role in establishing and strengthening international relations and in opening branches of Russian universities abroad and contributes to international student recruitment. Alexander Alimov, Director of the Department for Multilateral Humanitarian Cooperation and Cultural Relations of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation, talks about the efforts to promote Russian education.

? **What roles, authorities and functions are assigned today to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation in the field of humanitarian cooperation and, in particular, support for internationalization and export of Russian education?**

As part of the Ministry's activities, we place emphasis on educational cooperation with foreign countries as a significant factor for developing and strengthening multifaceted international relations, enhancing Russia's authority, and forming an objective perception of Russia worldwide.

The Department for Multilateral Humanitarian Cooperation and Cultural Relations of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (DMHCCR), that I am in charge of, was established in 2022. Within the scope of its competence, it participates in developing and operating the unified state policy of the Russian Federation aimed at developing multilateral and regional cooperation in culture, science, education, tourism, sport, and youth exchanges as well as at strengthening the position of the Russian language in the world. The DMHCCR also comprises the Secretariat of the Russian Federation Commission for UNESCO.

We provide assistance to relevant agencies and organizations in implementing large-scale international projects and events and in promoting Russia's achievements in science and education. We also provide expert support in setting regional and country priorities for international science and education cooperation and in establishing contacts with international partners.

We focus our attention on systemic issues of developing Russian national (Slavic) universities, a network of branches of Russian educational institutions abroad, and network universities.

Our functions also include coordination of efforts to select foreign citizens and stateless persons living abroad to study at Russian educational institutions within the Russian Government quota (starting from 2023, it is 30,000 state-funded places). We are working on this issue in close coordination with Rossotrudnichestvo and the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Russian Federation.





The Decree of the President of Russia of May 7, 2024 specifies further export of Russian education as one of the national goals. The target number is at least 500,000 international students by 2030. It means that the international student body at Russian universities is supposed to nearly double within five years. This is rather a substantial change that will require effort from all education export participants. How can the Ministry of Foreign Affairs contribute to reaching this target? Are there any specific plans and initiatives on the mechanisms for achieving this target?

According to the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Russian Federation, the number of foreign citizens pursuing Bachelor's and Master's programs at Russian universities is approximately 355,000. They are mainly citizens of the CIS countries and the countries of the Middle East, Asia, and Africa. If we add students at foreign branches of Russian universities, this number is even greater. This is the maximum number of students in the history of international applicant recruitment in Russia. That is why, to be exact, it is not a question of doubling the number of foreigners.

Moreover, Russia is securing its status as one of the world's top exporters of educational services. Our country ranks among the Top 10 countries by incoming academic mobility, despite its adversaries' unfriendly policy aimed, in particular, at reducing our participation in competition in the global education market.

The fact that a considerable number of foreign citizens study in Russia on a commercial basis is also an important indicator of high-quality Russian education. It means that our educational system trains sought-after specialists, which ensures that demand for studying in Russia persists in the future.

Nevertheless, we must admit that the fulfillment of the Russian President's assignment will require special effort from relevant agencies and educational institutions, in the first instance, with respect to dormitory accommodation for foreigners. The

comfortable living and study environment is of no small importance. It is gratifying to see that the work on design and construction of new modern campuses at major educational centers has already begun.

There is a demand for advanced training for staff members at Russian universities, who work with international students, as well as for improvement of the system of advisory support and assistance for international students and their adaptation in Russia. This will make their stay in our country more comfortable and trouble-free, from a security perspective in particular.

In addition to the quota system, we could use grants as a new solution in this area that was never used before. Grant support for citizens of foreign countries, principally of non-CIS countries, can increase the attractiveness of studying at Russian educational institutions.

The grant covers travel, accommodation and health insurance costs and provides a scholarship at the minimum subsistence level.

Such support is provided by other countries that dominate the global market for educational services. This issue is also being addressed by the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Russian Federation, and I hope that this practice will be adopted in the foreseeable future.

Competitiveness in the international job market is directly related to the recognition of Russian degrees abroad, and that is why it is very important to expand the list of countries with which Russia has bilateral agreements on cooperation in education.



It would be helpful to conduct large-scale information campaigns, in the format of education fairs and festivals in particular, with the involvement of interested Russian universities.

? **What are the most effective formats to promote Russian education that the Russian Federation can use now when interacting with its partner countries?**

We must take an integrated approach to promotion of Russian education, building a continuous learning path for students.

We are conscious that one of the determinants of choosing Russia as a university study destination is international applicants' proficiency in the Russian language. It helps raise awareness of our country, form a loyal attitude to it, and complete the educational program more successfully. Our main goal is to expand the opportunities to study the Russian language abroad.

We must perform this task, starting with primary and general education, by building schools, sending teachers of the Russian language and other subjects to foreign general education institutions, equipping

continuing education centers that teach in Russian, organizing familiarization tours to Russia for school students, etc. We must increase the number of opportunities to study the Russian language by providing offline language courses and online learning.

We can see benefits of opening the branches of Russian universities and their preparatory faculties abroad, such as expansion of a network of Russian national (Slavic) universities, implementation of distance learning modes, creation of double degree programs as part of network universities in the CIS countries, the Eurasian Economic Union, BRICS and SCO, and development of university horizontal ties, including academic exchange programs. In addition, it should be noted that our international partners are increasingly talking about the popularity of Russian secondary vocational education programs.



? **Could you tell us about our international partners' most urgent needs to be met by Russian universities? In other words, what are their expectations of us? What formats or educational products do they need?**

Our partners' needs are contingent on the current needs of national economies and vary depending on the country's living standard and the necessity of completing particular tasks in the region.

Such needs are communicated as part of meetings of relevant agencies' representatives and sessions of intergovernmental commissions as well as on the sidelines of major international specialized events such as, for example, the International Forum of Ministers of Education "Shaping the Future" held in Russia to which we provide political, diplomatic and administrative support.

We can see a great interest in educational programs where our country has traditionally been strong. These are engineering and creative majors, medicine, power engineering as well as new fields such as information and communication technologies and high technologies. Besides, international applicants give preference to such fields of study as agriculture, economics, management, linguistics, philology, and law.

? **And the final question. As a Russian proverb says, "the East is a subtle matter." What subtleties must Russian universities know and take into consideration now when Russia has started that major pivot to the East? What recommendations would you give?**

To be clear, it is rather about shifting the focus towards the Global South countries while maintaining our country's openness in humanitarian cooperation with all constructive powers.

Russia has traditionally had a reputation for its first-class education in foreign regional studies.

This subject is taught at MGIMO University of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation, the Institute for African Studies of the Russian Academy of Sciences, the Institute of Oriental Studies of the Russian Academy of Sciences, the Institute of Asian and African Studies of Lomonosov Moscow State University, the Faculty of Asian and African Studies of St. Petersburg University, and other reputable universities. Certainly, we cannot fail to mention the Peoples' Friendship University of Russia named after Patrice Lumumba that has been a flagship of working with international students since Soviet times. Definitely, their competencies and language skills will be helpful in building educational relationships and political and economic interactions with the Global South countries.

We intend to leverage this potential to establish mutually beneficial inter-university contacts. In its turn, this must give momentum to the development of new fields of study, arrangement of academic mobility programs and double degree programs with partners, and organization of study placements and joint projects. That is why highly qualified staff at university departments responsible for international cooperation and working with foreigners is so important. The painstaking work of these departments and their due attention to characteristics of international students' mindset and religious and cultural differences between

them will foster successful interaction with people from Eastern countries coming to study in Russia. Wherever international students come from, we should familiarize them with our rich centuries-old history and culture and organize their tours around Russia and visits to theaters, museums and exhibitions.

It is important to pay attention to their socialization and communication with their Russian peers and engage them in the activities of councils of fellow countrymen associations, youth organizations and scientific communities.

Moreover, the Global South countries show an increasing awareness of the fact that the destructive axiological component, coming into conflict with regional traditions and centuries-old morals, is integral to so-called Western education. In contrast, respect for the institution of family, authority of older people as well as consideration for traditional moral and spiritual values and their regional specific features are intrinsic to Russian education. For our part, we clarify what the increased educational dependency is fraught with. It can lead to forced economic and political concessions as well as to a partial loss of sovereignty. There are enough examples of this.





THE RUSSIAN LANGUAGE IN THE WORLD



Without knowing the language, we can hardly imagine our acquaintance with Russia and Russian culture, studying at Russian universities, and adaptation to the living conditions in Russia. And here it should be noted that Russian not only performs a communicative function, transferring information from person to person, but also is a guide to Russian culture in its multinational diversity.

The Russian language is one of the most widely spoken languages on our planet. Russian ranks 8th among the most popular languages in the world. English and Chinese rank 1st and 2nd respectively by a long shot.

There are around 258 million people in the world speaking the language of Tolstoy and Dostoevsky.

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The widespread use of the Russian language internationally is historically contingent and has its characteristic features. In the period of establishment of Russian nationhood, the country gained new territories. Interestingly, it often happened on the initiative of small peoples that handed in a petition to the Russian ruler to become part of Russia, while preserving their national and cultural identity. In these historical processes, the Russian language ensured integration, developing a diverse common ethnocultural landscape. It is no coincidence that Russian has many vocabulary items (words) that originate from the languages of indigenous peoples, constituting the ethnic diversity of contemporary Russia.

RUSSIAN TODAY

- **The language of international communication.** Fifteen international organizations such as the UN and global associations use Russian as an official and working language.
- **The Internet language.** This is proved by the fact that Russian ranks 2nd by the number of Russian-language websites and 9th by the number of Russian-speaking users of the web.
- **The language of science.** Russian ranks 5th by the number of scientific publications, according to Web of Science and Scopus.
- **The language of mass media.** With 32,543 periodicals published in Russian worldwide, the great and mighty Russian language ranks 7th in the world.

The Russian language has a stable position in the world.

Taking into consideration socio-political shifts and the development of international cooperation, proficiency in Russian as a foreign language has become an advantage and a valuable asset in professional development. Even now, there is an increasing number of RFL learners. They want to get an education in Russia, build a successful career as well as immerse themselves in the wealth of great culture and its heritage.

That is why the HED magazine is launching a large-scale project **"Say It in Russian,"** as part of which the magazine will publish the content about the Russian language, subtle aspects of its grammar, tips for learners as well as educational and awareness-raising articles about Russian culture and mentality.





RUSSIAN IDIOMS AND FIXED PHRASES FOR FOREIGNERS

«NAKRYLSIA MEDNYM TAZOM»

It is no secret that one of the features of the “living” language is its variability, mobility and adaptability. Time passes, the world changes, and these processes are reflected in the language. The Russian language is no exception. The complexity of the Russian language and plenty of grammatical aspects do not make it less flexible. The idioms, so-called “catchphrases,” constitute the whole cultural layer and make it easier to understand not only the Russian language and culture but also Russian mentality. Learn the idioms and you will pass for a native speaker.

Today we will help you boost your Russian, looking into the popular expression “nakrylsia mednym tazom” (literally “got covered with a brass bowl”). Why “covered”? Why “bowl”? Is it of critical importance that the bowl is made of brass? What is it all about? Hooooow? Here are only a few questions learners of Russian as a foreign language ask when they hear this expression for the first time.



So. Meaning

If you hear that something **"nakrylsia mednym tazom,"** it means that something has gone off script / has been disrupted / has broken down / has gone down the drain.

Origin

Now, when we know what it means, let's find out where it came from. There are several versions of the origin of this widespread phrase.

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The second version refers to the outstanding Russian poet and writer Korney Chukovsky and his famous work Wash 'em clean. By the way, we suggest that you get acquainted with it because it is funny and informative. This children's fairy tale also features a brass bowl that leads to very strange and dramatic consequences.



...and then, in short, there was a tumult and a clatter, and everything was happening in a most unexpected way.

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The third version, which is the historical one, refers us to the Tsarist times when people used to cover perishable foods with brass bowls. They were unreliable and did not always help.



Usage

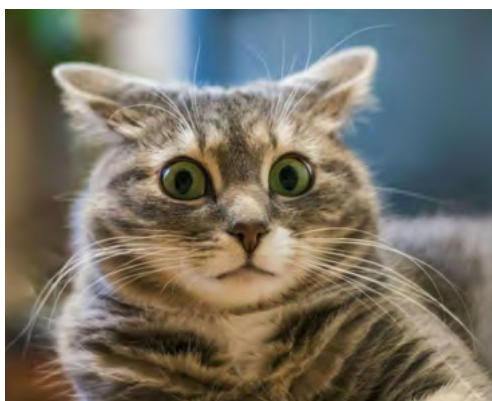
The phrase is widely used in the spoken language. It is not a slang phrase, so you can comfortably integrate it into your active vocabulary as well. And for example, if you forgot to submit your end-of-year paper, it is highly likely that your weekend “nakrylsia mednym tazom” because you have to resubmit your paper.

Besides, a shortened version of the phrase –“nakrylsia” is used in the same meaning. For example, if your phone “nakrylsia,” it means that it has broken down completely and needs repairing. Your things, plans, hopes and almost everything can “nakrytsia.”



Synonyms

- break down
- go down the drain
- go off script
- go bankrupt
- be disrupted
- go down in flames
- end in a fiasco
- go kaput 🙄🙄
- go to the dogs 🐕🐕



In our regular RFL column, we plan to tell you about other idioms and specific rules of the Russian language, complex issues, and exercises to consolidate pronunciation and language norms as well as about literature and music that can help learn the language.

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READ IN RUSSIAN FOR FUN AND PROFIT

KORNEY CHUKOVSKY

Getting acquainted with the works by outstanding writers and poets helps develop and consolidate Russian communication skills. It is worth noting that any learner of Russian as a foreign language actually passes through the same stages of “linguistic growing up” as little children learning to talk. That is exactly why RFL teachers often use children’s literature such as verses, fairy tales, nursery rhymes, and short stories in their lessons. Today we will talk about the works by the eminent Russian and Soviet writer Korney Chukovsky and tell you why his works can be of use to learners of Russian as a foreign language.

For reference:

Korney Chukovsky (1882–1969) is a writer and translator. He is a striking example of an extraordinarily purposeful person who, without an access to school education, studied on his own, mastered English and French, and translated a wide range of masterpieces of English and American literature. But he became really famous thanks to his books for children that are still loved by children and adults after decades.

Any living language always moves and always grows, and the Russian language is “living as life”.

The most famous works include *Doctor Aybolit (or Doctor Powderpill)*, *The Muddle*, *The Joy*, *Fedora’s Grief*, *Wash’em Clean*, and *Buzzy-Wuzzy Buzy Fly*.

Moreover, Korney Chukovsky was interested in the Russian word in the broadest sense, subtly noticing special aspects of word formation in children. And these observations of his are exceptionally interesting from the perspective of learning Russian as a foreign language.

PHONETIC WARM-UP

Mastering Russian pronunciation is an initial stage of learning the language. It can cause considerable difficulties depending on your first language. Without going into details (we will do it in the following articles), let’s keep in mind that the poetic form can become an excellent tool for practicing speaking skills. The special aspect of Russian versification - the same number of stressed syllables in a line, together with poetic rhythm - helps avoid mistakes in accentuation and memorize the pronunciation of particular words.

For example, the fragments of Korney Chukovsky’s works can help you practice the pronunciation of particular sounds.

It is known that the Russian language has a mobile stress. It means that stress position can change during inflection of words for gender and number or word formation (cognate words). Stressing different syllables in the same word can sometimes change its meaning (for example, замок – замоК (castle - lock). Poems and sayings will also be of invaluable help here.

What are other benefits of poetry in general and poetry by Korney Chukovsky in particular?

GRAMMAR

For example, you can study a difficult topic of Russian verbs. In the fragment of the famous poem *The Crocodile* given below, all the vowels are underlined. These vowels create poetic rhythm, and you must not omit them while reading. The verbs whose pronunciation and forms you can study using supplementary materials are put in bold.

Жил да был
Крокодил,
Он по улицам **ходил**,
Папиросы он **курил**,
По-турецки **говорил**.
(«Крокодил»)

Once there lived a Crocodile.
He walked on the streets,
Smoked cigars,
Spoke Turkish.
(*The Crocodile*)



And the last thing, dear friends. Reading Chukovsky's works is just fun because in his poems you can find everything, including the grunting kittens, the wonderful doctor, who heals everybody, and the crocodile swallowing the sun.

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Sounds [p] ([r]) and [л] ([l])

Приходила к ним горилла, Та горилла говорила, Говорила им горилла, Выговаривала. («Бармалей»)	A gorilla went to them, The gorilla told them, The gorilla told them, Repeated. (Barmaley)
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Moreover, children's verses contain perfect examples for studying grammatical structures, usage of particular words, and inflection of words for gender and number. For example, here is a fragment of another famous poem, *The Telephone*, that illustrates the case forms of nouns and pronouns.

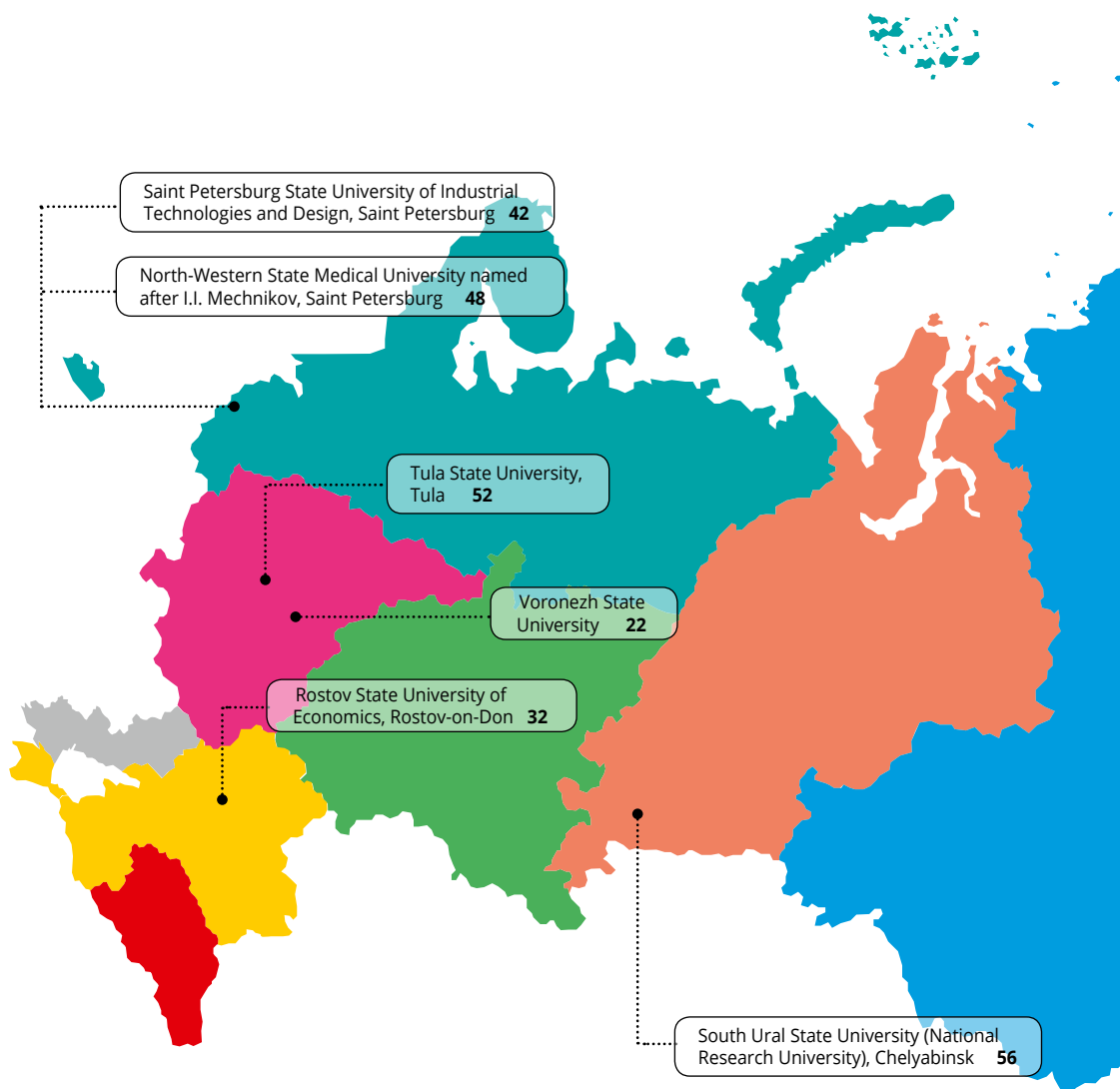
У меня зазвонил телефон.
– Кто говорит?
– Слон.
– Откуда?
– От верблюда.
– Чего вам надо?
– Шоколада.
– Для кого?
– Для сына моего.
(«Телефон»)

My phone rang.
– Who's talking?
– The elephant.
– From where?
– From a camel.
– What do you need?
– Chocolate.
– For whom?
– For my son.
(*The Telephone*)

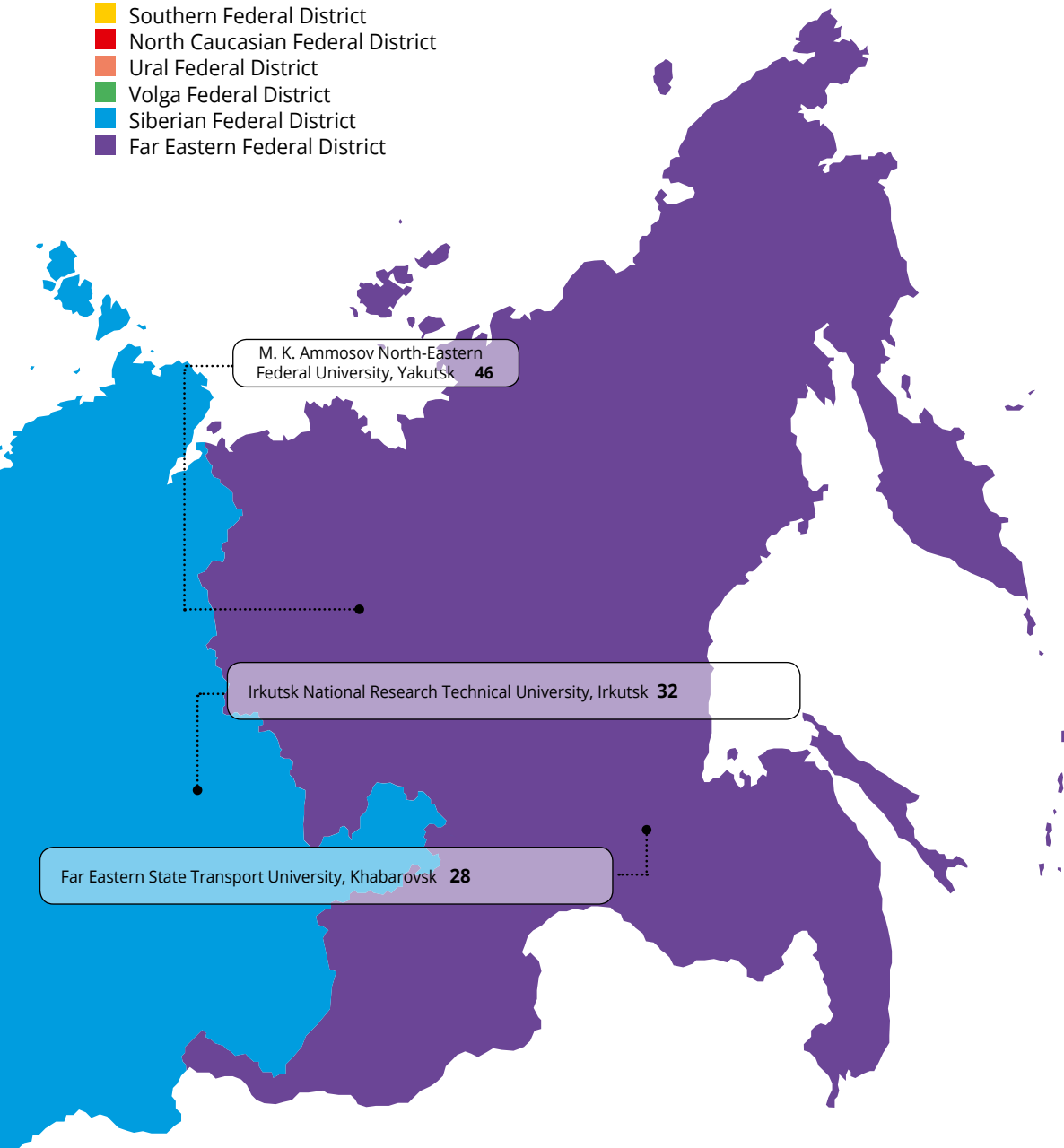


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of the universities participating in the project



- Central Federal District
- Northwestern Federal District
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- North Caucasian Federal District
- Ural Federal District
- Volga Federal District
- Siberian Federal District
- Far Eastern Federal District



■ New constituent entities of the Russian Federation: Donetsk and Lugansk People's Republics, Zaporozhye and Kherson Regions (Federal constitutional laws №5-ФКЗ, №6-ФКЗ, №7-ФКЗ, №8-ФКЗ of October 4, 2022)



**VORONEZH
STATE
UNIVERSITY**

Founded in 1918

18

faculties

421

academic programs

6

research institutes

10

educational, research and production centers

19,500

students

96

partner universities from 33 countries

16

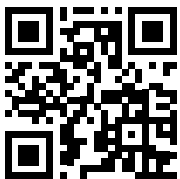
research laboratories organized jointly with the Russian Academy of Sciences

Voronezh State University is a classical university, the largest university in the Black Earth region, and a cultural and research center in Russia. VSU offers programs at all degree levels in a wide range of areas, from humanities and social sciences to natural and exact sciences, including fundamental medicine. The university has a strong focus on the quality of educational standards and the use of up-to-date teaching methods.

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1001+
in the world



36
in Russia
801
in the world



Top 21
among the best universities in Russia



1501+
in the world



Top 51
in Russia



1201-1400



Top 46
in Russia



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Voronezh, Voronezh Region, Russia

WHY VSU?

- High-quality education and a wide range of educational programs
- Modern infrastructure, laboratories and research centers, the opportunity to participate in innovative projects and R&D
- Comfortable study and living environment: Voronezh is one of the large Russian cities with well-developed infrastructure, but living costs are considerably lower here, compared with Moscow and Saint Petersburg
- Academic exchange programs, joint research and projects with partners all over the world
- Active student life, friendly atmosphere, and plenty of opportunities for self-fulfillment of students
- Adaptation courses, Russian language programs, and cultural events that facilitate the integration into the academic and social environment of Russia

**ADMISSION**

Foreign citizens are enrolled in all fields of study offered by VSU.

The language of instruction is Russian. The required proficiency level is B1.

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**REQUIRED DOCUMENTS**

- Passport copy + its notarized translation into Russian
- Certificate of education + its notarized translation into Russian
- Completed application form



Application form



List of entrance exams

**THE RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIP FOR FOREIGN CITIZENS**

- covers tuition fee
- includes an additional scholarship at the university
- includes numerous dormitory accommodation discounts as well as discounts given when using public transport, social infrastructure facilities, etc.

Both foreigners and Russian compatriots are eligible for the scholarship

Number of scholarship places: 350

PRE-UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT

The Pre-university Department enrolls foreign citizens who do not speak Russian.

Offline learning: 7 - 10 months

Study areas

- Engineering and Technology
- Medicine and Biology
- Natural Sciences
- Economics
- Humanities

Students study the Russian language and three or four major subjects.

Training is provided in Russian in groups consisting of 10-14 people. The course lasts two semesters.

In the second semester, the Pre-university Department holds the Russian Language Olympiad. The winners can get the results of the final assessment of their Russian language proficiency earlier.

After students pass final exams, they obtain a certificate that entitles them to pursue degree programs, including Bachelor's, Master's and PhD programs in the chosen field of study.

THE MOST POPULAR FIELDS OF STUDY

- Fundamental Medicine
- Pharmacy
- Information Technology
- Linguistics
- Radiophysics

TRADITIONAL EVENTS

- festival of ethnic cultures "Pieces of the World"
- international song and dance festival "Let's Join Hands, Friends"
- talent competition "Let's Get Acquainted"
- Language Tandem project, and others

ARRIVAL AND ADAPTATION

- VSU supports students starting from the date of their entry to Russia. They can be transferred from an airport in the other region.
- Buddy Club volunteers help students check in at the dormitory, overcome everyday life problems, and solve administrative issues.
- The university staff members help students get health insurance and accompany them during a medical examination and mandatory fingerprinting.
- VSU teachers and staff members take an individual approach to each student, are open to communication, and respect international students.
- VSU's national fellow-countrymen associations help international students stop feeling lonely far from their home country.
- Students will have a vibrant and eventful extracurricular life, with festivals, holidays, competitions, tours, quests, sports activities, special interest clubs, and an entertaining and diverse program from the Buddy Club.



Buddy Club



CAMPUS

The university dormitories are located in several districts of the city. The buildings are located in close proximity to the educational buildings and student infrastructure facilities.

Students live in 2-3-person apartment-type rooms with everything they need to live comfortably.

There is a swimming pool on the VSU campus. There are well-equipped gyms in the dormitories.

FAMOUS ALUMNI

- » **Ibrahim Doumbia Breima** (Mali) – Director of the Russian Center in Bamako.
- » **Madiha Reda** (the Arab Republic of Egypt) – Director of the National Museum in Cairo.
- » **Mir Sahib Jan** (Afghanistan) – Head of the Department of the Russian Language at Kabul University, a holder of the Medal of Pushkin.
- » **Le Van Nyan** (Vietnam) – was the Head of the Faculty of Russian Language at the Institute of Foreign Languages in Hanoi. The host of Russian radio shows in Hanoi and a Russian-language poet.
- » **Koulibaly Pakkari** (Guinea) – Secretary General of the African National Committee for Biology Research, President of the Entomology Association.
- » **Sanogo Klena Koulouachaga** (Mali) – Advisor to the Mali President.
- » **Andres Restrepo** (Colombia) – Minister of State Security of Colombia.
- » **Sankon Alasori** (Guinea-Conakry) – First Counselor of the Embassy of Guinea-Conakry in Moscow.
- » **Enoc Gouroubera** (Benin) – Head of the Department of Information of Benin.
- » **Muhammed Musana** (Yemen) – Dean of the Faculty of Journalism at Sana'a University.
- » **Fal Sidi Koya** (Senegal) – Head of the Department of the Russian Language at Cheikh Anta Diop University in Dakar.



Jie Teng Fei, China, Bachelor of Journalism

I came to Russia from China because I always liked the Russian language. I found it very interesting to study Russian. I chose to apply to VSU because it is the best university in the Voronezh Region. After graduation, I plan to work in my degree field, as a journalist. I will be glad to advise my friends and acquaintances to apply to VSU because it has talented and helpful teachers.



Nguyen Thi Phuong Han, Vietnam, Bachelor of Journalism

If I had to choose a study destination, I would have chosen Russia and VSU again. This place filled the five years of my youth with beautiful memories and valuable insights. I remember every day of my life here, I remember missing my classes, playing with my friends in the park, preparing for exams all night long. I remember being in Crimea with my sister, snowing, and the dormitory turning off the hot water... Thank you, Russia, Voronezh, VSU, my teachers and friends, for being with me for these five years!



Russia is a Country Full of Opportunities for Economists

Over many decades of its existence, the Faculty of Economics of Voronezh State University has shown itself to be one of the centers of economic education and science in Russia. High-quality education and an active policy of expansion of international cooperation make the faculty attractive to international students. One of them, Emmanuel Munsha from Zambia, has become a guest of our HED_people column and has told us about what he was driven by when choosing VSU, why he fell in love with Russia and the Russian language, what his extracurricular activities are, and what you should place emphasis on when preparing for admission to a Russian university.



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Emmanuel Munsha, a second-year student at the Faculty of Economics of Voronezh State University

FROM AFRICA TO RUSSIA

I am 20 years old, and I am from Zambia. I decided to study in Russia because it is famous for world-class educational programs in my field and a unique culture that attracts me. Also, I would like to master the Russian language. My family worried about a great distance, but they responded positively on the whole and supported me.

My first impressions of Russia were very vivid. I was amazed by the grand buildings and historical monuments. Most of all, I was surprised by the Russian culture of hospitality.



STUDYING IS DIFFICULT BUT INTERESTING

I have chosen a profession in economics because I have always been interested in how economic processes work and how they influence human life. Economics helps us better understand how decisions are made in business and the state. When choosing a university, I was looking for a university with a strong academic reputation in my field as it is important for me to get a high-quality education.



Studying Russian was very exciting but difficult for me. I like the Russian language because it is so rich and expressive. It has many beautiful words and interesting fixed phrases that reflect the culture and mentality of Russia.

The most difficult subject for me was Microeconomics because of a large amount of theory. I developed preparation plans and tried to study every day to cope with this subject.

I would advise young people, planning to study in Russia, to focus on preparation for admission. It is important to explore different universities and programs to choose something that suits your interests and goals best. Pay your attention to admission requirements and the Russian language study options.

ceremony for international graduates of VSU. This experience was not only responsible but also incredibly inspiring. I saw joy and pride on the graduates' faces and felt a part of this important event.

I WANT TO STAY HERE

After graduation, I want to stay in Russia. I feel that my life here has become very eventful and interesting, and I want to continue my professional development. I plan to work in economics. And Russia offers plenty of opportunities in this area.



NOT ONLY STUDIES

International students at Voronezh State University have every opportunity to lead an eventful student life. I take an active part in many events organized by our Institute of International Education of VSU. I sing Russian songs. I was a volunteer at the World Youth Festival-24 in Sochi.

The most memorable event for me was my participation as the host of a solemn graduation



FAR EASTERN STATE TRANSPORT UNIVERSITY

Founded in 1937

31

Bachelor's programs

13

Specialist's programs

24

Master's programs

42

PhD programs

14

secondary vocational education programs

30+

research areas

FESTU graduates create new machines and equipment, manage the transport process, do business and carry out international transportation, design automated control systems, build railways and engineering structures, work as economists and financiers.

8

scientific schools

≈ 18,000

students, including 1,000+ international students

Tuition fees in 2024/2025

261,150 – 334,400 RUB

2,902 – 3,716 USD



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by employment of graduates of the universities in the Khabarovsk Territory

70

by demand for Russian universities

212

by education quality, research, international relations, and employers' demand for graduates



251

National Ranking of Russian Universities



39

in Russia by university internationalization



5

among the universities in the Far Eastern Federal District

Khabarovsk, Khabarovsk Territory, Russia

ADMISSION

Foreign citizens are eligible for higher education at FESTU:

- in state-funded places under international agreements of the Russian Federation
- in state-funded places within the Russian Government quota
- under agreements on paid educational services using the funds of individuals or legal entities

Students get scholarships for academic excellence, scientific, creative and sports achievements, and active participation in student self-government.

FOREIGNERS HAVE ACCESS TO EDUCATION AT DIFFERENT LEVELS OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN RUSSIA:

- Bachelor's programs – 4 years
- Specialist's programs – 5 years
- Master's programs – 2 years
- PhD programs – 3 years

CAREER GUIDANCE ACTIVITIES FOR INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS

- FESTU tours for those living in the border areas of China
- online meetings "Bridges of Friendship"
- online Doors Open Days
- offline and online education fairs in various countries with the FESTU presentation
- FESTU presentations in reference books circulated abroad

POPULAR MAJORS AMONG FOREIGN CITIZENS IN 2024/2025

- Railway Rolling Stock
- Transport Process Technology
- Civil Engineering
- Economics
- Electric Power Engineering and Electrical Engineering



Admission regulations at FESTU

1,244 – state-funded places for various majors in 2024/2025:

- 1,138 – full-time study on the main campus in Khabarovsk
- 47 – extramural study



Everyday life at the university



Everyday life at the university

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SPECIAL ASPECTS OF LEARNING RUSSIAN AT FESTU

- Teachers of Russian as a foreign language with university degrees
- System approach
- Connection between theory and practice
- Accessibility
- Individual approach to students



PREPARATORY DEPARTMENT "RUSSIAN LANGUAGE CENTER"

Supplementary general education program (2 semesters)

Study areas

- Engineering
- Technology

Tuition fee per year
150,906 RUB (1,677 USD)

Students from China, Mongolia, Afghanistan, Somalia, and Mali are studying at the Russian Language Center today.

RUSSIAN LANGUAGE COURSES

In the 2024/25 academic year, the tuition fee for the Russian as a Foreign Language programs is calculated individually, depending on the number of students in a group, learning goals, and the number of program hours.

Head of the Center
Antonina Rudenko

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SHORT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR FOREIGNERS

Three-month Russian language courses.

The tuition fee is calculated individually, depending on the student's basic knowledge.

HOW TO OVERCOME DIFFICULTIES WHEN LEARNING RUSSIAN

- Communicate with native speakers
- Watch movies and read books in Russian
- Use up-to-date Russian language study guides

IN 2024, THE FESTU SUMMER SCHOOL USED NEW METHODS OF TEACHING RUSSIAN FOR THE FIRST TIME:

- Learning the language through familiarization with Russian cuisine and the traditions of Russian hospitality (with tasting of ethnic foods).
- Learning the language using music (rhythm in music as well as repeating patterns in songs facilitate memorization of unknown words).



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Sergei Sergeev, a social pedagogue at the FESTU International Student Office

It is very important for us that international students feel that we take care of them and attend to their needs from the first minutes of their stay in the hospitable Khabarovsk land. That is why I am personally in control of meeting all foreigners at the airport or railway station and I help them to get to the dormitory and arrange medical examination for them. In cooperation with the staff members of the International Student Office, we help young people to adapt to a new study and living environment at our large university.



International students of the Institute of Economics at the Museum of Art



International students on a skating rink



Lapta (Russian ball game)



The students are meeting with the Tajikistan Consul

EVENTFUL EXTRACURRICULAR LIFE

- The best of the best can become members of the prestigious International Student Club. Its members participate in events with ambassadors and consuls of their countries, international competitions in various sports, celebrate national holidays.
- Active interaction with the communities of international students' countries.
- All international students have the opportunity to lead an eventful extracurricular life, pursuing science, doing sports, and engaging in creativity.


KHABAROVSK INTERNATIONAL SUMMER AND WINTER SCHOOLS

- Everyone interested can apply
- Offline and online training

Main programs:

- Intensive Russian language course
- Russian language plus a professional module (Civil Engineering, Management, Logistics, Electric Power Engineering)
- Familiarization with Russian culture
- Ethnic cuisines of the peoples of Russia

The course fee is calculated individually based on the number of students.

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IRKUTSK NATIONAL RESEARCH TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY

Founded in 1930

12

institutes

200

educational programs

12

English-taught programs

18,000

students

100+

educational and research laboratories

1,300

international students from 56 countries

Irkutsk National Research Technical University is a leading research university in Eastern Siberia. It trains highly qualified personnel for the defense industry, oil and power industries, specialists in mechatronics, robotics, geoinformatics and geophysics, aviation mechanical engineering and transport, telecommunications technologies, environmental engineering, international business, and many other sectors.

The university is ranked among the top 20 Russian universities by IT graduate salary. INRTU cooperates with more than 170 industrial partners. The leading specialists from partner enterprises participate in designing and delivering educational programs.



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- youtube.com/@INRTUadmission



Tuition fees per year

Russian-taught programs

175,200 - 346,200 RUB

English-taught programs

240,000 - 350,000 RUB

Up to 80% tuition discounts for English-taught programs based on the results of entrance exams.



1501+
2024



1001+
Engineering
2023



301-400
2023



301-350



162
in the world

Irkutsk, Irkutsk Region, Russia

BENEFITS OF STUDYING AT INRTU

- Enrollment without SAT, GPA, IELTS, TOEFL certificates
- The opportunity to study in English  or Russian 
- Double degree programs
- Learning through practice
- State-of-the-art laboratories and a technology park
- Development of soft skills and entrepreneurial skills, networking, IT learning
- Modern and safe campus
- Academic mobility programs with foreign partner universities

CAREER PROSPECTS

INRTU maintains close cooperation with its industrial partners to provide students with internships and subsequent employment opportunities.




Among the partners are major Russian companies such as:

- Nornickel
- Rusal
- Rosneft
- Gazpromdobycha
- En+ Group
- Irkutsk Oil Company, etc.

International INRTU students get a job without restrictions in accordance with the labor legislation of the Russian Federation if they meet migration requirements.



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RUSSIAN LANGUAGE SUMMER SCHOOLS FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS, UNIVERSITY STUDENTS, AND TEACHERS OF RUSSIAN AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE

The program includes Russian language classes, familiarization with Russian history and culture, and tours to Lake Baikal.

Study and accommodation at an INRTU dormitory is free of charge.

POPULAR FIELDS OF STUDY

- Architecture
- Civil Engineering
- Design
- Monumental and Decorative Arts
- Mechanical Engineering
- Aircraft Engineering
- Robotics
- Heat Power Engineering and Electric Power Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Metallurgy
- Innovation Studies
- Biotechnology
- Artificial Intelligence and IT
- Information Security
- Oil and Gas Engineering
- Mining Engineering
- Applied Geology
- Artistic Materials Processing Technology
- Economics
- Management



IPOLYTECH ENGINEERS INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC COMPETITION FOR PROSPECTIVE MASTER'S STUDENTS

For whom: Bachelor's degree holders

Language: English

Duration: fall-winter

Winners can pursue the chosen Master's program for free.

COMPETITION "ENGINEERS OF THE FUTURE"

For whom: applicants for Bachelor's, Specialist's, Master's, and PhD programs.

Duration: spring-summer

Winners get a 100% tuition discount for the entire study period and one-time compensation for travel expenses related to their arrival at the place of study. Master's students and PhD students also get a monthly monetary payment (scholarship).



PREPARATORY DEPARTMENT

It develops essential communication skills, starting from the zero level of the Russian language.

Russian language course: 10 months

Tuition fee: 75,000 RUB

Entrance exams: no

Students, who have completed a preparatory course at INRTU at B1 level and above, get a tuition discount of up to 34 % for Russian-taught Bachelor's, Specialist's, and Master's programs.



Any student has the opportunity to participate in an academic mobility program and study for free for one or two semesters at a partner university abroad (China, Korea, Indonesia, Mongolia, Vietnam, etc.)

APPLICANT'S GUIDE

For admission, applicants must:

1. Submit their documents
2. Take entrance exams online
3. Sign an enrollment contract
4. Get an invitation (it is executed within 45 days) and obtain a student visa at a diplomatic agency in Russia
5. Arrive at the university by the start of the academic year

Application deadlines:

- Bachelor's and Specialist's programs – August 20
- Master's programs – August 29
- PhD programs – August 16

ENGLISH-TAUGHT DEGREE PROGRAMS

BACHELOR'S PROGRAMS

- Artificial Intelligence and Computer Science
- Power Electrical Engineering
- Sustainable Innovative Economics
- Finance and Accounting
- International Business
- Journalism and Media Communication
- Ecology & Green Technologies
- Linguistics and Business Communications
- Mechanical Engineering

MASTER'S PROGRAMS

- Big Data Analytics and Artificial Intelligence
- Master of Business Administration
- Renewable Energy



To get a tuition discount, prepare well for entrance exams. Based on the results of entrance exams, students can get a tuition discount of up to 15 % for Russian-taught programs and up to 80 % for English-taught programs.



Mathematics without Borders: My Journey at INRTU

We continue to familiarize our readers with international students at Russian universities whose stories can become a source of useful information for those who are just planning their career. Today's guest of our regular HED_people column is Alekedzro Kodzovi Armand, a PhD student at Irkutsk National Research Technical University.



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Alekedzro Kodzovi Armand, Togo. PhD student in Mathematical Modeling, Numerical Methods and Program Systems at Irkutsk National Research Technical University

I am 28, and I am from Togo. Since 2022, I have been an INRTU student. Here I completed a preparatory course and earned a Master's degree in Information Systems and Technologies. And now I am pursuing a PhD degree in Mathematical Modeling, Numerical Methods and Program Systems. My work focuses on solving complex problems using mathematical models and algorithms.

I chose the Russian university thanks to its strong traditions in mathematics and high-quality education in engineering and applied mathematics. In Russia, mathematical modeling is a highly developed area that finds practical application in the industry. In the beginning, my family worried about a great distance, but they finally supported me when they realized how important this opportunity was for my future career.



IT CAREER

Since a young age I have been interested in how mathematics explains the world around us. For me, mathematical modeling is the supreme application of this science. It is fascinating because it helps convert real-world phenomena into mathematical equations, analyze them and predict their behavior under different conditions. I like writing algorithms for modeling physical processes and optimizing systems in real time.

Math is not just a theoretical discipline. It solves real-world problems. Mathematicians help model the spread of epidemics, optimize industrial processes, and predict climate changes. This connection with the real world motivated me to choose this path.

STUDY AND LIFE IN RUSSIA

When I came to Russia, I was impressed by the resources allocated for research and innovations. For example, INRTU is famous for its cutting-edge research in applied mathematics and cooperation with the industry. My program combines theory and practice, especially in software, which is very attractive to me. Moreover, Irkutsk is a scientific center that develops international cooperation.

I take an active part in study groups and seminars on modeling and programming. These activities help us share ideas and work on interdisciplinary projects. In my free time, I am a member of the International Student Council that helps me get acquainted with other cultures.

One of the most memorable events at INRTU for me was Africa Day. Every year, African students organize this event to share the richness and diversity of our culture. On that day we perform music and traditional dances and present fashion and food from various African countries.

Africa Day helped me show respect for my roots and strengthen the ties with the INRTU community. Such events show that we can unite and better understand each other despite cultural differences. It was a cheerful moment in my student life in Irkutsk.



RUSSIAN LANGUAGE

Our Russian language courses were very intensive because we needed Russian for communication with our colleagues and teachers.

The courses for international students and everyday practice with my Russian friends helped me. Most of all, I like subtle aspects of the Russian language and its cultural richness. In the beginning, I had some problems with declensions, but I overcame them thanks to regular work and communication.

What surprised me about the university was its academic rigor and support from professors in complex projects as well as a multicultural environment on the campus with students from all over the world.

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE



After completing my PhD thesis, I want to continue to work in mathematical modeling, at an academy or in the industry.

I plan to stay in Russia or move to an international company where my skills in using numerical methods and advanced software will be worth their weight in gold. I also consider going back to Togo to develop its technological infrastructure, but I am open to global opportunities at the moment.



ROSTOV STATE UNIVERSITY OF ECONOMICS

Founded in 1931

8

faculties

4

degree levels

300+

educational programs

A reputable university in the south of Russia that has transformed from a top-notch economic education center into a modern classical university with a focus on integration into the international academic community.

23,000

students

500+

international students from 30+ countries



Top-1000



Top-400



Tuition fees per year

112,000 - 148,000 RUB

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📍 Rostov-on-Don, Rostov Region, Russia

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Social Sciences

- Economics
- Management
- Banking and Finance
- Commerce
- Law
- State and Municipal Management
- Commodity Science
- Youth Outreach Management
- Business Informatics
- Foreign Studies – East Asian Studies
- Journalism
- Advertising and Public Relations
- Service
- Tourism

Mathematics and Natural Sciences

- Statistics
- Fundamental Informatics and Information Technologies

Engineering, Technology and Engineering Sciences

- Information Systems and Technologies
- Applied Informatics
- Software Engineering
- Quality Management

Education and Pedagogical Sciences

- Pedagogical Education
- Psychological and Pedagogical Education
- Special (Defectological) Education

Humanities

- Linguistics
- History



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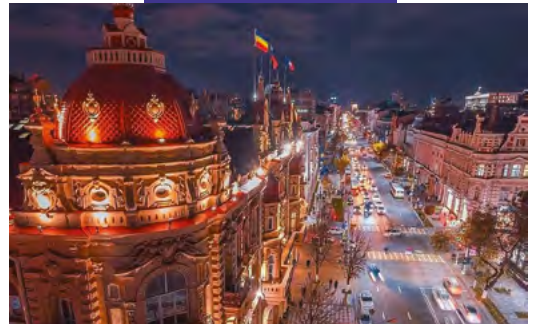
ROSTOV-ON-DON IS AN INTERNATIONAL CITY

Rostov-on-Don is the largest transportation hub and the capital of the Russian South whose warmth and hospitality attract not only foreigners but also many ethnicities of our multiethnic country.

You will be pleasantly surprised at

- the number of representative offices and expat communities
- unity of student clubs of proactive international students in Rostov-on-Don
- the city's eventful cultural and sports life
- plenty of eating places with various cuisines of the world, from Chinese to Cossack and from Georgian to Indian cuisine

All of this confirms that Rostov-on-Don is open to everyone without exception



ADMISSION

You have two ways to enroll at Rostov State University of Economics. Both ways require education.

Way 1

Get the Russian Government scholarship

1. Register and submit your application at the competition website education-in-russia.com. In your application, specify Rostov State University of Economics as your desired place of study
2. The academic year in Russia starts on September 1. Submit a competitive application for the Russian Government Scholarship a year before the start of the academic year (the competition lasts 4+ months on average)
3. Pass the competition successfully with the participation of the Russian Embassy in your country and get the right to study in Russia for free



PREPARATORY DEPARTMENT

International students start studying in Russia with the Preparatory Department offering a special Russian language study program for foreign citizens who want to get a higher education in Russia later.

Duration – 9 months (October-June).

Tuition fee – 120,000 RUB



The program also includes Mathematics and History classes and preparation for the entrance exams at the university.

Way 2

Apply by yourself on a contract basis

1. Choose a study program, contact us at our email address and send:
 - a copy of your academic credentials with a transcript and its translation into Russian
 - a copy of your passport translated into Russian
2. We will consult you on all steps for admission and arrival in Russia
3. Before you start your Bachelor's/Master's/PhD program, take a one-year (nine-month) Russian language course at the university' Preparatory Department **More about admission to the [pdf](#) Preparatory Department**
4. After you complete your Russian language course, take an entrance exam or exams (for which you will have been prepared at the Preparatory Department), conclude the study contract and embark on your degree program



Admission information in Russian and English  



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Zhang Xiaohui, China. The PhD student in Finance, the Faculty of Economics and Finance

Since I was a child, I have been really into studying, especially finance. Before joining RSUE, I had obtained a degree in Financial Management and then a qualification of chief accountant. I worked as an accountant and started teaching Accounting at a college. I wanted to earn a degree from Russia long ago because its education has had a good reputation all over the world since the last century.

The rankings showed me that the university was open to international cooperation. I found it on the Internet and sent an email to the International Office asking if I could come from China to study and what economics programs they could offer. I got a quick reply from the Head of the International Office and all the detailed information on my studies.

After I came to Russia, I studied at the Preparatory Department and I totally consider my decision the best and the boldest in my life.

I chose Rostov-on-Don on purpose because it is warm in summer here, and winter frosts are not so severe, and you can survive here.

During this period, I have already learned to read research papers in Russian. My research supervisor and the International Office invite me to take part in conferences and research competitions.

As the time I have spent at RSUE shows, I am getting closer to my main goal—to improve my teaching skills and my research fellow qualifications.

ADAPTATION AND LEISURE

RSUE offers not only a profession but also leisure activities to suit every taste.

Choose a hobby and find like-minded people. Spend your best student years profitably.

At RSUE, there are five areas of activity where you can learn something new and show your talents:

Science

- science clubs
- laboratories (Start Up)

Creativity

- Experimental theater
- Creative association "Leader"
- Club of the Funny and Inventive
- Vocal school
- Elocution school
- Dance theater

Sports

- ESports Club
- BARS Basketball Club
- Chess Academy
- Boxing Club
- Snooker Club
- 10+ sports clubs (volleyball, cheerleading, football, etc.)

Student self-governance

- Student Council
- Student Trade Union Committee

Student initiatives

- Student Brigades Office
- Patriotic Education Center
- International Club
- ASECU Youth Student Association





SAINT PETERSBURG STATE UNIVERSITY OF INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES AND DESIGN

Founded in 1930

225

educational programs

2

higher schools

20

institutes

2

colleges

12

dormitories

56

international partner universities from 23 countries

25,000

students

2,424

international students from 42 countries

1,500

academic staff members





Saint Petersburg State University of Industrial Technologies and Design is the largest technological university in Russia in the textile, light and printing industries, power engineering, the pulp and paper industry, chemical engineering, industrial aesthetics and design.

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лидерами становятся

The university is the leader in training specialists for the light industry (smart textile, smart clothing, and composite materials with novel properties), the pulp and paper industry (environmentally friendly zero-waste industries), and digital industrial design.



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Top 10
by graduate employment in Saint Petersburg



In the list of the best Russian universities for engineering and technology

SAINT PETERSBURG INVENTIONS

Top 3

SPbSUITD scientists have designed smart outfits for lifeguards and firefighters

📍 Saint Petersburg, Russia

ADMISSION

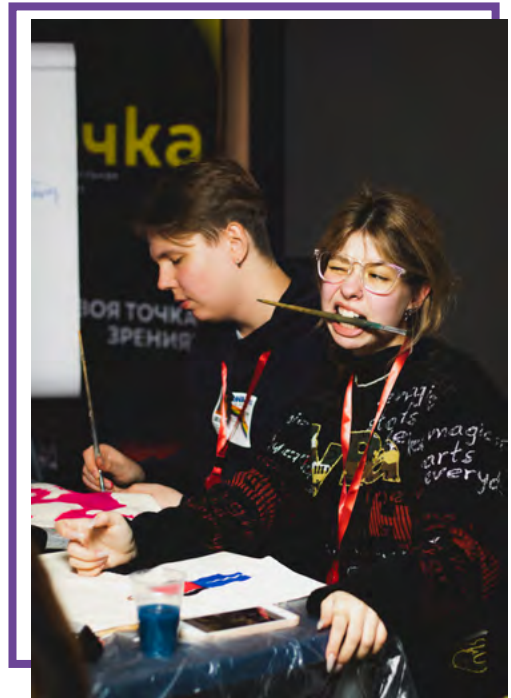
- Foreign citizens are enrolled in all educational programs delivered by the university.
- Students can be enrolled within the Russian Government quotas, in state-funded and fee-paying places.
- Starting from 2022, as part of the Culture and Art Subjects Olympiad, winners and prize-winners from among foreign citizens get the Russian government quota to pursue creative fields of study and majors.

DOORS OPEN DAYS

They are held every month

Applicants and their parents can:

- get acquainted with the university
- visit scientific and digital laboratories, coworking spaces, and research and manufacturing sites of the university
- take part in career-guidance tours
- get up-to-date information on admission regulations, entrance exams, and student life
- communicate with the university staff members



State academic scholarships are awarded to international students studying within the Russian Government quota and to state-funded international students.

Tuition fees per year

Secondary vocational education programs 84,000 – 235,200 RUB

Bachelor's and Specialist's programs 96,000 – 564,000 RUB

Master's programs 120,000 – 516,000 RUB

PhD programs 330,000 – 348,000 RUB



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADAPTATION CENTER

The university ensures a comfortable learning and living environment, as well as the adaptation of international students to new cultural traditions.

Jointly with the Adapters program, the Center holds roundtable discussions, organizes the work with other student associations of the university, speaking clubs, tours, and helps students to comply with the requirements of the Russian Federation legislation on migration registration and visa services, and provides assistance in language adaptation.

ADMISSION OFFICE

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STUDENTS HAVE ACCESS TO:

- The Laboratory of Virtual Fashion and Digital Design where students and laboratory residents model a digital wardrobe, create avatars and metaworlds for the embodiment of digital developments in virtual reality, and perform production digitalization tasks.
- The Coordinate Modern Design Space. The project has no rival in Russia. Design objects are not only exhibited but also studied with respect to their historical transformations and changes in concepts, approaches and technologies. Exhibits are archived, in digital form in particular.
- In the heart of Saint Petersburg, the university is developing the SmartDesign Digital Industrial Design Cluster. The cluster comprises the Laboratory of Virtual Fashion and Digital Design, the Laboratory of Spatial Design of Physical and Digital Environments, the Laboratory of Digital Art and New Media, the Laboratory of Smart Clothing, the Laboratory of Generative Design, and exhibition areas.



PREPARATORY DEPARTMENT

- Provides training for foreign citizens with no or low knowledge of the Russian language.
- Classes are conducted in Russian in international groups.
- Students are accommodated in the dormitory.

Mode of study: offline and online

Duration: October-August



All international full-time students are accommodated in the dormitory for the entire study period.



Preparatory department for foreign citizens



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Sabina Gadzhieva, Azerbaijan

Saint Petersburg is my favorite city. I dreamed of visiting it, and I would never have thought that I would live here. I started searching the web for the best universities for design and architecture, and the University of Industrial Technologies and Design was among the top universities in all the rankings I found.

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Alhussein Gamal, Egypt

I felt at home for the first time when I came to the International Student Adaptation Center of our university. I take part in its events, for example, Africa Day and the celebration of Easter on a regular basis. We made a movie about the feeling of loneliness together. And now this is not just the Center for me, this is my family. I help other international students too.

I came to Russia in February. Before that, I saw snow only in the fridge. I had warm clothes but they were not fit for Russian winter, and my shoes always slid. And then, I found out that people bathe in such weather as well. First, they go to a bathhouse and then dive in cold water. Besides, Russian people are a little reserved, but I know how to connect with them. Russians are very cheerful. If you cheer them up, they can smile. And if they smile, you see that they do it from the bottom of their heart.

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Ang Chi Ji, Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur

In the beginning, I felt embarrassed to ask questions during the lectures. It was difficult for me to say what exactly I didn't understand because I studied Russian in my home country. Nevertheless, after classes my teachers and fellow students explained to me patiently what we had learned. I couldn't understand everything even then, but I was pleased that they were sparing me their time. I felt their desire to motivate me to study, and this gave strength to me. I would advise other international students to feel free to ask questions and not to be afraid of making mistakes, otherwise you will not be able to better yourself.

I study cyberattacks on databases. Every company has its own databases storing important information, including personal data of the site users, and that is why hackers attack them on a regular basis. In general, I am interested not only in how information can be protected but also in how it can be stolen. In the future, I would like to work in this field as a freelancer and hack servers or databases of different companies at their request to test their security.



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FEDERAL UNIVERSITY**

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educational programs

258

Bachelor's and Specialist's programs

119

Master's programs

101

PhD programs

59

residency programs

11

secondary vocational education programs

18

institutes and faculties

18,000+

students





1,200+

international students from 53 countries

North-Eastern Federal University is the embodiment of high-quality education and innovative thinking. Today Russia and world science are proud of this university founded more than 120 years ago. Our programs offer a wide range of knowledge areas in engineering and technology, natural sciences, humanities, and general education.

Teaming up with partners, major enterprises and employers of the region and country ensures a high level of graduates' competence. Recent graduates easily adapt to the job market and find a job even while studying at university.



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1501+
in the world

42
in Russia



401-600
Overall ranking



27

приоритет2030*
лидерами становятся

Tuition fees per year
170,000 – 220,000 RUB



Yakutsk, Republic of Sakha (Yakutia), Russia

POPULAR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Bachelor's programs

- General Medicine (taught in Russian and English)
- Informatics and Computer Engineering
- Pedagogical Education

Master's programs

- Pedagogical Education
- Economics. Business Management in the Digital Economy (in English)
- Human Resource Management

Residency programs

- Dentistry (General Dentistry, Orthopedic Dentistry, Surgical Dentistry)
- Traumatology and Orthopedics
- Anesthesiology and Emergency Medicine
- Cardiology

PREPARATORY DEPARTMENT

Pre-university training areas:

- Technology
- Humanities
- General Education
- Medicine
- Engineering

International students study Russian, get acquainted with the culture and traditions of the country and region. Besides, the Preparatory Department provides training in major subjects, and attendees can take entrance exams for admission to NEFU after completing the pre-university training course.

Tuition fees 181,000 – 227,999 RUB

ADMISSION

to state-funded places within the Russian Government quota

- Register in the education-in-russia.com system and upload required documents
- Pass the competition at the Rossotrudnichestvo representative office in your country (Russian Center of Science and Culture)
- State "NEFU" in your application form in the first place
- Get a referral to NEFU

to fee-paying places

- Register on the abit.s-vfu.ru portal and upload required documents, starting from June 20
- Take online entrance exams within the period from July 16 till August 28
- Sign your enrollment consent and agreement



ADMISSION OFFICE

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NORTH-WESTERN STATE MEDICAL UNIVERSITY NAMED AFTER I.I. MECHNIKOV

Founded in 2011

9

research laboratories

210,109.5 m²

the university buildings area

1,100+

university teachers

5,000+

students





1,000+

international students

67

partner universities

North-Western State Medical University named after I.I. Mechnikov is one of the leading medical universities in Russia and Saint Petersburg. The university offers a full cycle of educational programs, including Bachelor's, Specialist's, Master's, residency and PhD programs. The university has clinical facilities consisting of five clinics and cooperates with more than 60 foreign universities.

-  www.szgmu.ru
-  t.me/szgmu_university
-  vk.com/szgmu_university
-  youtube.com/СЗГМУим. И. И. Мечникова 2011



Tuition fees for the
2024/2025 academic year
85.000 – 450,000 RUB



1501+
in the world



top-100
in Russia



551-600



top-100
Russia



64-65

 Saint Petersburg, Russia

The university also offers a wide range of pre-university training programs, continuing professional education programs, advanced training programs as well as internships and summer and winter schools.

STUDY PROGRAMS

Bachelor's program:

- Nursing Care

Specialist's programs:

- General Medicine
- General Medicine in English for foreign citizens (English as Medium of Instruction)
- Dentistry
- Dentistry – Dental Care Provision within the International Standards
- Pediatrics
- Preventive Medicine
- Osteopathy

Master's programs:

- Public Health
- Nursing Care Management

As well as more than 70 residency specialties.

WHY NWSMU NAMED AFTER I.I. MECHNIKOV?

- practice-based learning
- academic exchange programs
- grants and internships
- participation in Olympiads on various specialties
- active assistance in student employment after graduation



APPLICANT GUIDE

1. Check out the list of admission documents;
2. Choose a field of study;
3. Fill in the application form and submit it within the established deadlines with the package of required documents;
4. Pass the entrance exam in chemistry and biology;
5. Keep track of the lists on the university website.



University admission regulations

ADMISSION OFFICE

Bachelor's, Specialist's, Master's programs

Address: 47, Piskarevsky Prospekt, Pavilion 9, Saint Petersburg, 195067

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✉ 3035053@szgmu.ru

International Department

Address: 41, Kirochnaya Street, Administrative Building, 2nd floor


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GENERAL MEDICINE / GENERAL MEDICINE IN ENGLISH

Duration: 6 years

Languages of instruction:

 Russian /  English

Tuition fees per year:

348,000 RUB / 440,000 RUB

There are **state-funded and quota places** for the General Medicine program taught in Russian.

The General Medicine specialty graduates are prepared to complete the following tasks:

- working at medical and preventive institutions
- prevention and early detection of various diseases
- provision of elective and emergency care
- using clinical diagnosis and treatment algorithms
- research and teaching activities

The university consistently develops facilities for students to pursue residency and PhD programs.

Training is provided both at the university's clinical facilities and at major municipal polyclinics and in-patient clinics in Saint Petersburg with state-of-the-art equipment. Simulation training, scenario-based learning, and problem-based learning are widely used.

The university has a multicultural student community represented by more than 30 countries.

Graduates of the Faculty of General Medicine build their career at:

- medical and preventive institutions
- health and medical authorities
- research institutions



NWSMU named after I.I. Mechnikov on social media



SUMMER AND WINTER SCHOOLS ON MEDICINE

The format of short-term internships with lectures, practicals, and an entertainment program.


Topics:

- Gastroenterology, hepatology, nutrition science
- Ophthalmology
- Surgery
- Schools on general medicine
- Doctors' communication skills

DENTISTRY

Duration: 5 years

Languages of instruction:

 Russian

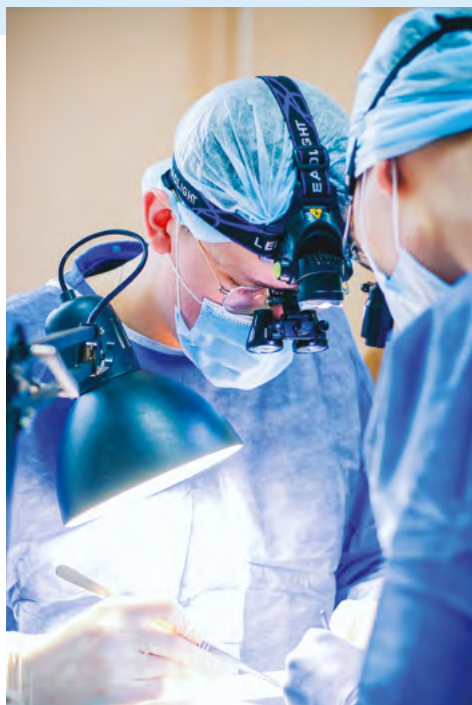
Tuition fees per year: 450,000 RUB

The program is mainly aimed at training highly qualified medical personnel in accordance with the greatest achievements in Russian and world science. They have advanced diagnostics and treatment technologies at their fingertips and are capable of working in the current economic environment and achieving significant results in public health protection.

Our graduates are top-notch dental specialists and successful people.

This unique Dentistry program places emphasis on honing practical phantom skills and preparing students for practical activities within international standards. Students master the program individually with professional tutors taking into account innovative dental technologies on state-of-the-art phantom and clinical equipment.

- provision of dental care on an outpatient basis and on a day-patient basis within international standards;
- participation in medical rehabilitation of patients with dental diseases;
- use of the main principles of dental care provision management at medical organizations and their subdivisions;
- teaching patients to carry out core health-promoting hygiene activities that help prevent dental diseases and improve their health.



The continuing professional retraining program "Translator in the Sphere of Professional Communication" offers the opportunity to get an additional qualification while studying.

PREPARATORY DEPARTMENT

The Preparatory Department offers two programs:

- University entrance preparation
- Russian for foreign postgraduate applicants

Duration:

November 1 - August 31

Registration for the course starts on July 3

Tuition fees: 195,000 - 200,000 RUB per year



TULA STATE UNIVERSITY

Founded in 1930

21,000

Students

340

PhD Students

20

Doctoral Students

Tula State University (TulSU) is one of the largest universities in Central Russia and the leading scientific and educational center in the Tula Region.

1,100

International Students

978

University Teachers

605

Doctors of Sciences

TulSU implements projects in science, education and culture in cooperation with the partner universities in 17 foreign countries.

172

Candidates of Sciences

95

Researchers



26

in Russia




Tuition fees per year
131,900 – 280,000 RUB



- tulsu.ru
- vk.com/newstulgu
- vk.com/imotulgu
- t.me/tulauniversity
- t.me/imo_tulgu

Tula, Tula Region, Russia

STUDY

TuSU offers foreign nationals a wide range of educational programs, including those taught in English .

Study areas:

- Engineering
- Technology
- Mining and Construction
- Computer Sciences
- IT
- Natural Sciences
- Economics
- Law
- Social Sciences and Humanities
- Medicine

The main language of instruction at
TuSU is Russian .

TuSU Admission
Office

**ENGLISH-TAUGHT PROGRAMS** 

- General Medicine (Specialist's program)
- Economics (Bachelor's program)

NEW BACHELOR'S PROGRAMS

- Oil and Gas Engineering
- Media Communications

ADMISSION

The number of commercial places for educational programs is not limited (except the General Medicine program).

You can study in a state-funded place (for free).

250 state-funded places for international students.

The application process for the academic year 2025/2026 starts on June 20, 2025.



Apply for studies

CONTACTS

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 foreign@tsu.tula.ru

RUSSIAN LANGUAGE AND PRE-UNIVERSITY TRAINING

for international applicants who do not speak Russian.

Study areas:

- Engineering
- Economics
- Humanities
- Natural Sciences
- Medicine and Biology

Mode of study: offline/online

Duration: 6-10 months

You can study Russian individually or in groups.

Russian is considered one of the most difficult languages to study. Grammar, spelling, punctuation, declensions, moods, and a great number of exceptions – all of this becomes really confusing for foreign nationals. However, taking a pre-university program at TuSU in small groups in an extremely international and friendly environment relieves primary stress, as a rule. Moreover, the program places emphasis on the development and consolidation of phonetic and communication skills.

After international students complete the pre-university Russian language program and are enrolled in the first year at TuSU, they have the opportunity to get legally employed while studying.

- Summer and winter schools in Russian and English
- International Summer School on the Russian Language, History and Culture
- Summer Linguistics School for Young Researchers “Dive into Science!”
- Student exchange with partner universities in the “International Semester” format

7 YOUTH RESEARCH LABORATORIES

- Laboratory of Biologically Active Compounds and Biocomposites
- Laboratory of Environmental and Medical Biotechnology
- Laboratory of Cognitive Technologies and Simulation Systems
- Laboratory of Chemistry of Composite and Carbon Materials
- Laboratory of Chemical Conversion of Renewable Biomass and Organic Synthesis
- Laboratory of Digital Control Systems for Complex Dynamic Objects
- Laboratory of Inertial Sensors of Primary Information, Orientation and Navigation Systems

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

49

Bachelor's Programs (4 years)

45

Master's Programs (2 years)

14

Specialist's Programs (5-6 years)

53

PhD Programs (3 years)

24

Medical Residency Programs (2 years)

15

Secondary Vocational Education Programs (3 years)

International students at TuSU have free access to an additional qualification at the university's Digital Department that includes the acquisition of competencies required to carry out a new professional activity in information technology in IT-related majors and fields of study.



ARRIVAL AND ADAPTATION

TuISU traditionally holds a range of activities aimed at sociocultural adaptation of foreign nationals to the study and living environment in Russia.

Social and adaptation work includes:

- meeting students at the airport and accompanying them to the university
- working with incoming international students, where the primary objective is to help students not to feel lonely in the large multicultural environment and not to withdraw into their shell
- maintaining a healthy psychological environment
- working with foreign compatriot associations
- helping students to undergo medical examination and receive medical services

Tula is one of the oldest cities in Russia, the motherland of the great Russian writer Leo Tolstoy. It is a city with a rich historical, cultural and architectural heritage, "the third museum capital of Russia."

INFRASTRUCTURE

- 18 Educational Buildings
- TulaTECH Research and Education Center
- 8 Scientific Laboratories
- Environmental Monitoring Center
- Engineering Center of Composite Materials
- 14 Student Dormitories
- Fitness Centers, Stadiums, and Swimming Pools
- Kindergarten
- Medical Clinical Center
- Training and Health Center in a picturesque place on the Oka River

The university holds numerous conferences, exhibitions, festivals, forums dedicated to colorful national holidays, interaction between various cultures and creativity uniting the peoples of the world.

The events help unleash international students' scientific and creative abilities, promote their healthy lifestyle, and ensure their security.



SOUTH URAL STATE UNIVERSITY (NATIONAL RESEARCH UNIVERSITY)

Founded in 1943

160+

Bachelor's programs

160+

Master's and Specialist's programs

50+

PhD programs

20

research and education centers

12

international laboratories

3

research institutes

46

small innovative enterprises

24,000

students

2,000

international students from 56 countries

South Ural State University is the region's center for innovative development in Digital Industry, Material Science, and Ecology.

Tuition fees per year
≈ 1,800 – 2,800 USD*



* The exchange rate can fluctuate



Multilingual website
susu.ru



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Alexander Vagner, SUSU Rector

Today, South Ural State University is one of the leaders in modern Russian education. We honor our history and the university's traditions and make progress by responding to the challenges of our time.

📍 Chelyabinsk, Chelyabinsk Region, Russia

ADMISSION

Documents required for admission to Bachelor's and Master's programs:

- International passport
- Document confirming previous education
- Translations of documents into Russian

Entrance exams are held in test format or individually in interview format

How to apply?

- 1 Send your documents to ✉ applicant@susu
- 2 Fill in the application form, sign the contract, and pay for your studies
- 3 Get an invitation to enter Russia

Application deadline – August 1

The languages of instruction are Russian 🇷🇺 or English 🇬🇧.

To pursue Russian-taught programs, international students can take a one-year preparatory course throughout the year to master Russian and special subjects in Russian 🇷🇺 as part of the SUSU Foundation Program.

Applicants have the opportunity to get the Russian Government Scholarship at education-in-russia.com
To get a letter of support, contact us at applicant@susu.ru



POPULAR ENGLISH-TAUGHT PROGRAMS 🇬🇧

Bachelor's programs, 4 years

- ✓ Mechatronics and Robotics. Mechatronics
- ✓ Economics. International Economics and Trade

Master's programs, 2 years

- ✓ Power Engineering and Electrical Engineering. Electric Power Engineering
- ✓ Mechanical Engineering

major:

- Information Technology of Welding Engineering

- ✓ Technological Machinery and Equipment

major:

- Automated Hydraulic and Pneumatic Systems and Units

- ✓ Mechatronics and Robotics

- ✓ Biotechnology

- ✓ Economics

- ✓ Management

- ✓ Banking and Finance

- ✓ Philology



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT

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- ✉ applicant@susu.ru



FOUNDATION PROGRAM FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

- ✓ The preparatory course in Russian as a foreign language and major subjects
- ✓ Starting level is A0

study areas

- Engineering and technology
- Humanities
- Medicine and biology
- Economics
- Natural Sciences

Tuition fee 114,800 RUB ≈ 1,350 USD*

*The exchange rate can fluctuate

After completing the course, students obtain a certificate that entitles them to apply for Bachelor's, Master's, and PhD programs.

After admission to any Russian university, students must undergo

- Medical examination ≈ 65 USD per year
- Medical certification ≈ 90 USD (one-time payment)

PARTNER EMPLOYERS

Kaspersky Laboratory, Sberbank, Magnitogorsk Iron and Steel Works, KAMAZ, the Roscosmos State Corporation, the Rosatom State Corporation

For foreign citizens:

- Visa support is free of charge
- Execution of documents is free of charge
- Meeting at the airport is free of charge
- Guaranteed accommodation in the dormitory ≈ 20 USD per month





WORLD-CLASS INTER-UNIVERSITY CAMPUS

Total campus area: 123,134 m²

Building area: 21,970 m²

Structure of the areas:

- 8 modern hotels for students and academic staff (3,400 accommodation places)
- Educational and scientific center
- Modular conference rooms

TOP FACTORS FOR CHOOSING SUSU

- Programs taught in Russian and English
- International industrial partners –work placements and internships
- Expert center of evaluation of educational certificates (the university has the right to independently recognize foreign education for enrollment)
- 9 dormitories within walking distance of the educational buildings
- Supercomputer Simulation Laboratory which is the eighth by capacity in the CIS countries
- SUSU medical center and recreation camps
- SUSU sports center (a swimming pool, a climbing wall, gyms and fitness rooms)

ALL DEGREE LEVELS

- ✓ Bachelor's degrees
- ✓ Master's degrees
- ✓ PhD degrees

Study areas:

- Technology and Engineering
- Natural Sciences
- Social Sciences and Humanities

STRUCTURE

- Institute of Architecture and Construction
- School of Medical Biology
- School of Economics and Management
- School of Electronic Engineering and Computer Science
- Institute of Linguistics and International Communications
- Institute of Media, Social Sciences and Humanities
- Institute of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
- Institute of Sport, Tourism and Service
- Institute of Engineering and Technology
- Institute of Law

READ IN AN UNDERSTANDABLE LANGUAGE



TÜRKIYE



CENTRAL ASIA



SOUTH ASIA



CHINA



IRAN



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VIETNAM



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2025-2026

FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AT RUSSIAN UNIVERSITIES

Get help from HED



CHAT WITH STAFF MEMBERS AT RUSSIAN UNIVERSITIES

Ask your questions!

Dear applicants, the quota campaign has begun. Choosing the right university can be a challenging task. For help, please visit the website about higher education in Russia <https://hedclub.com/en/universities> that provides extensive information on Russian universities.

On the university pages, there is a special service **“Chat with Staff Members at Russian Universities.”** You have the opportunity to ask your questions about admission, academic programs, and other aspects of studying. You can write in your native language, which facilitates communication. The staff members at Russian universities are ready to provide you with all the information applicants are interested in.

Take the opportunity to get the answers to your questions and make an informed choice.

