



Study Abroad in Russia



Higher Education in Russia

- Russia is a relatively new destination for international students but it has a well-established system with 766 universities across 82 regions of the country from Kaliningrad to Vladivostok.
- Recent years has seen more investment in the university sector.
- Undergraduate degrees in English are available, though still quite limited in number; they take 4 years to complete, 5 years for a specialist degree.

Entry Requirements & Application Process

- There is no centralised application system for international students. Application is made direct to the university and it is advisable to get advice from the International office of each university you intend to apply to.
- An online application can also be made via the Study in Russia website below. Students can apply to 6 universities.
- Students can apply for admissions from 1st of January till 1st of July for September session. Do check individual university websites.
- All examination certificates will have to be translated into Russian by an approved translator and certified with a legal stamp by a Russian consular official.

Highest World Rankings

Lomonosov Moscow State University (78)

Saint Petersburg State University (242)

Novosibirsk State University (246)

<https://www.topuniversities.com/university-rankings/world-university-rankings/2022>

Fees

Tuition fees are relatively low compared to other international study destinations, depending on your program of study; they are likely to be around US\$3,900-7,700 per year.

Visa

Once you've been offered a place to study in Russia, the university's international department will file an application for a Russian student visa on your behalf. This should take between three and five weeks. All visas must be registered within seven business days after arriving in Russia. This visa will cover your stay for three months only, so if you're planning to study in Russia for more than 90 days you'll need to apply for an extension once in the country. For a longer stay you'll also be asked to provide the results of a medical examination and HIV test.

Working

International students can work at the university. Universities' International Offices can help students find employment such as contract work. In this case you don't need to take the relevant permit from the General Administration for Migration Issues of the Interior Ministry of Russia. In other cases a permit is required. Permits are issued only to students on full-time courses at state-accredited universities. Students can work only according to the profession specified in the permit, and in the region where their university is located.

Further Information

A comprehensive guide <https://russia.study/en>

QS study guide for Russia <https://www.topuniversities.com/where-to-study/europe/russia/guide#tab=0>