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Application Procedure and Deadlines

Application and nomination deadlines:

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Academic Calendar

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Fields of Studies

At SPbU courses in English are instructed in the following fields or study:

- Applied Mathematics & Control Processes
- Economics
- Earth Sciences (Polar Studies)
- Humanities & Arts
- International Relations
- Journalism & Mass Communications
- Management
- Sociology
- History (History of Art)


Academic Workload and Russian Language Course

Average workload for exchange students is 20 academic hours (10 classes) per week (30 ECTS credits) per semester.

Students can optionally take a free Russian language course for foreign students during the whole exchange period (8 academic hours per week). If chosen, Russian language course is included into the academic workload for students.

Students who are going to major in Philology can attend Russian language course for foreign students for 20 academic hours per week (at any level of Russian language proficiency) or be enrolled in regular lectures and seminars on Philology/Linguistics (only if level of Russian language proficiency is confirmed at the level not lower than B2).

Language Requirements

Exchange students can be enrolled in SPbU only if their chosen language of instruction level is not lower than B2 in accordance with the European Language Level Self Assessment Grid. Students need to provide SPbU incoming mobility coordinator with a certificate of chosen language of instruction (Russian or English). Exception to this is made for the students who apply to full-time Russian language course for foreign students. It is available for students with any level of Russian language proficiency.
**Housing**

**Address for exchange students studying in Saint-Petersburg**
Kapitanskaya str. 3, Saint-Petersburg

**Address for students studying in Peterhof campus (Management (Bachelor), Applied Mathematics, Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics and Mechanics):**
Botanicheskaya str. 66/2

**Accommodation fee:**
about 4900 RUR per month

**Application:**
included into the application form

It is necessary to check the acceptance letter and e-mail before departure to make sure that the dormitory wasn’t changed.

**Visa Procedure**

Before arrival to SPbU exchange students will receive Acceptance Letters with the information about scholarship and housing. It’s just a confirmation of successful consideration of the application. Additionally exchange students will receive official Visa Invitation Letters. Invitation Letters are issued by the Federal Migration Service of the Russian Federation. This procedure usually takes from 30 to 45 days. Approximately 1 month before the proposed arrival date they will be forwarded to partner universities postal addresses. It is necessary to make sure that all the personal information is written correctly in the Visa Invitation Letter.

To get visa exchange student will have to apply to the Consulate / Embassy of the Russian Federation in their country with the official Visa Invitation Letter from SPbU. Following the common rules single-entry visa for 90 days is issued first. Upon arrival to SPbU exchange students will be able to extend the visa and get the multiple-entry one. It’s forbidden to apply for tourist or any other type of visa because it will deny the student’s enrollment to SPbU.

**Practical Information**

**Library:**
Universitetskaya nab. 7/9, Saint-Petersburg
[http://www.library.spbu.ru/](http://www.library.spbu.ru/)
Library card can be received at the main library after getting a student ID

**Airport Pick-up Service:**
SPbU doesn’t provide airport pick-up service. For the information about Buddy Programme please contact Incoming mobility coordinator.

**SPbU Exchange Students Ambassador Programme:**
(reviews about exchange studies at SPbU and former students contacts)
[https://spbuambassador.wordpress.com/](https://spbuambassador.wordpress.com/)