



MASTER OF SCIENCE IN REGIONAL STUDIES

**REGIONAL STUDIES:
RUSSIAN FEDERATION**

International Master's Degree Program in English

Key information about the study program in Saint-Petersburg, Russia



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KEY FACTS

▶ Admission requirements	Candidates are required to hold a Bachelor's, Specialist's or Master's degree in related subject area, all applicants must demonstrate English language proficiency at B+ level.
▶ Admission tests	Examination in the field of social and political knowledge and interview in English language with program coordinator (option - via Skype).
▶ Admission procedure	Written on-line application. Application deadline – June, 30. International applicants may find additional information concerning admission at the official web-site of SPbPU www.eng.spbstu.ru .
▶ Program starts	Autumn semester - September, 1
▶ Program duration	2 years
▶ Total workload	120 ECTS
▶ Degrees awarded	Master of science (MSc)
▶ Tuition fee	for Russian students — 150 000 RUB / year for foreign students — 210 000 RUB / year

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Why Master's Degree Program in Regional Studies at Peter the Great St. Petersburg Polytechnic University?

- Master's Degree program "Regional Studies: Russian Federation" is fully delivered in English.
- World-class professors from SPbPU and leading European Universities.
- Studies at Polytechnical University give the students an excellent combination of hands-on skills along with a strong theoretical knowledge base.
- "Regional Studies: Russian Federation" represents principles of international education with the content based on the current real-world experience.



Peter the Great St. Petersburg Polytechnic University

Since its foundation in 1899, SPbPU is one of the leading technical universities in Russia and famous for many talented scientists and researchers including 3 Nobel Prize winners.

Today SPbPU is the Russian top-rated technical university noted for the quality of education and scientific research. It comprises 11 Institutes in Engineering, Computer Science, Technical Physics, Energetics, Economics and Humanities where more than 30 000 students study.

In 2010 SPbPU received the prestigious status of National Research University. Modernization of the educational system and integration of SPbPU with the European Higher Educational Area are the strategic priorities of the university development policy.

Answering the global challenges SPbPU invites you to explore its international programs in humanities.

Distinguishing feature of education is combining design studies and mastering media and interactive technologies, which enables our students to develop skills in wider interdisciplinary level.



Curriculum

1st semester (30 ECTS)

► Focus on competencies in regional aspects

- History of Regional Studies and Methodology – 2 ECTS
- English language for specific purposes – 2 ECTS
- Russian language – 3,5 ECTS
- The methodology of Information Search – 2 ECTS
- Methodological problems of Contemporary Political science – 4 ECTS
- Political aspects of International Relations – 3,5 ECTS
- Academic Seminar: Theory and Practice of Contemporary Regional Studies – 1,5 ECTS
- Regional conflicts in Europe / Regional conflicts in Asia – 2 ECTS

2nd semester (30 ECTS)

► Focus on core professional competencies

- English language for specific purposes – 2 ECTS
- Russian language – 3 ECTS
- Contemporary socio-economic problems in Russian Federation – 2,5 ECTS
- Academic Seminar: Theory and Practice of Contemporary Regional Studies – 1,5 ECTS
- Political system and cultures in Russian Federation – 1,5 ECTS
- Ethnology on peoples in Russia – 3 ECTS
- Mathematics for research in humanities / Analytical tools for research analysis – 4 ECTS

3rd and 4th semesters (60 ECTS)

► Focus on developing communication skills

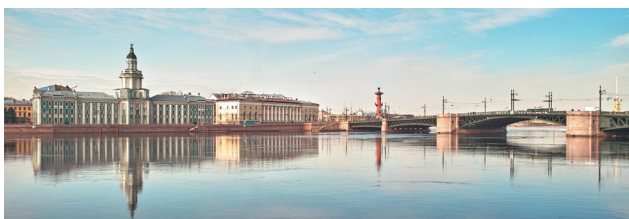
- English language for specific purposes 2,5 ECTS
- Russian language 4 ECTS
- Academic Seminar: Theory and Practice of Contemporary Regional Studies – 1,5 ECTS
- Political system and cultures in Russian Federation – 2,5 ECTS
- Modernization and transformation in Russia – 3 ECTS
- Security problems and conflicts in Russia – 2 ECTS
- Social, political and philosophic ideas in Europe/ Social, political and philosophic ideas in Asia – 4 ECTS

► Interdisciplinary work and master thesis

- Final state assessment – 6 ECTS
- Pedagogic practice – 7,5 ECTS
- Master's research practice – 24 ECTS

FINAL EXAM

Master thesis has to be defended in front of committee consisting of professors and corporate representatives.



MSc in Regional Studies

The program is conducted with the participation of key professors of SPbPU's Institute of International Educational Programs and leading European schools. All lectures and examinations are conducted in English.

Objective of the Program

Education focuses on the problems of regional development and the study of cultural, historical, demographic and economic issues in the Russian Federation. The training program is aimed at building knowledge, skills and abilities that allow a comprehensive analysis of regions in the Russian Federation.



KEY ADVANTAGES

1. The program provides our students with the knowledge and rich source of international contacts for future careers in international governmental and non-governmental organizations. Studying in the English language allows arranging regular experts' lectures.
2. The program offers a unique opportunity for joint study of Russian students with students from European social schools, the opportunity to participate together in academic and extracurricular activities of SPbPU.
3. Professional activities are organized to develop practical recommendations on the issues of public authorities involved in the conduct of domestic and foreign policy, various scientific, educational, informational and cultural exchanges, in the implementation of trade and economic cooperation, bilateral and multilateral communication links.

Duration and format

2 years, full-time, classes are held in the afternoon 1-2 times a week, also in the evenings and on Saturdays

Total workload

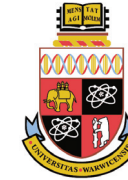
120 ECTS

TEACHING METHODS

The focus of the program is to impart practical skills of regional development in international companies and organizations – by case study, working in cross-cultural teams, experts' workshops.

PROGRAM PARTNERS

1. The University of Warwick



is a public research university in Coventry, England. Warwick consistently ranks in the top ten of all major rankings of British universities. Joint program on the English language training and comparative regional analysis.

2. Saimaa University of Applied Sciences



is a university of applied sciences in the region of South Karelia, Finland. At the Saimaa University of Applied Sciences, English degree programs are offered in the fields of engineering and humanities. Joint program on comparative regional analysis and communication studies.

3. The University of Tampere



is a university in Finland. It has 15,400 degree students and 2,100 employees. The University collaborates with the City of Tampere, Tampere Region and other higher education institutes in the area, likewise with companies and public sector organizations. Joint program on comparative regional analysis and communication studies.

4. The Technische Universität Berlin, the Technical University of Berlin or Berlin Institute of Technology,



is a research university located in Berlin, Germany and one of the largest and most prestigious research and education institutions in Germany. Joint program on the language training and communication techniques.

5. The University of Stuttgart



is a university located in Stuttgart, Germany. It is one of the top nine leading technical universities in Germany with highly ranked programs in civil, mechanical, industrial and electrical engineering. Joint program on the language training and communication techniques.