Information for foreign nationals planning to study and studying in Russian educational (scientific) organizations from the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation

Since January 1, 2023 foreign citizens studying full-time in a state educational or state scientific organization under the bachelor's, specialist's, master's, internship, assistantship programs with state accreditation, or under the program of training of scientific and scientific-pedagogical personnel in postgraduate (adjunct) studies in a state educational or state scientific organization are provided with an opportunity to apply for a temporary residence permit for the purpose of education (hereinafter - TRPE) in accordance with Article 6.2 of the Federal Law "On the legal status of foreign citizens in the Russian Federation" (hereinafter - the Federal Law). The TRPE is issued for the period of mastering the training program and the following one hundred and eighty calendar days after the end of the training period, when a positive decision on the issue of TRPE is stamped in the passport of a foreign citizen.

Documents for the issuance of the TRPE are submitted by a foreign citizen in person or through the Uniform Portal of State and Municipal Services to the unit of migration issues, in the territory of which the training takes place.

The TRPE provides foreign students and postgraduate students with a number of advantages: if a foreign citizen arrives in visa order:

- He/she will be issued a multiple-entry visa for the period of validity of the TRPE.
- He/she does not have to submit annual notification of residence in the Russian Federation, unlike other residence regimes in the Russian Federation.
- A student (postgraduate student) who has received a TRPE will be able to stay in the Russian Federation for the entire period of study and after completion of studies for another six months, during which he/she can apply for a residence permit without leaving the Russian Federation.
- It will also be possible to apply for a residence permit within three years after completion of training without obtaining a temporary residence permit.
- He/she it is not required to confirm proficiency in Russian language, knowledge of history and basics of legislation of the Russian Federation.

When transferring to part-time or correspondence courses, or early termination of training in a state educational (scientific) organization TRPE is canceled.

After annulment of the TRPE, if there are reasons, a foreign citizen has the right to re-apply for a TRPE without observing the term provided in paragraph 6 of Article 6 of the Federal Law (not earlier than one year from the date of rejection of his previous application for a residence permit or cancellation of previously issued him a residence permit).

More detailed information on obtaining a temporary residence permit is available on the website of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia (mvd.rf) in the "Activities" section of the subsection "State Services/ The Main Department of Migration Affairs of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia".