<u>Dialogue with SPbPU: from questions about visas to choosing a scientific trajectory</u>

From April 14 to 17, 2025, the Resource Center for International Activities of SPbPU hosted face-to-face meetings as part of the Career Guidance 2025 project aimed at supporting international applicants. The events, organized by the staff of the Admission Office, were held in three languages — Russian, English and Chinese, which made it possible to reach a wide audience of students of the preparatory department of the Higher School of International Education Programs (HS IEP).



Natalia Makhanova, head of Admission Office, Miroslava Dergileva, leading specialist, and Evgenia Borodina, specialist, took an active part in organizing and conducting the meeting. They not only gave a detailed presentation about the opportunities of studying at SPbPU, but also answered numerous questions of the students. Both future applicants and teachers interested in successful adaptation of foreign students were present in the hall.



The key topics were the deadlines for submitting documents and taking entrance exams, the peculiarities of admission to the main educational programs within the framework of admission control figures, as well as the nuances of working with the applicant's personal account. The Admission's Office staff demonstrated how to fill in electronic forms correctly, avoiding common mistakes. Special attention was paid to acquaintance with SPbPU institutes, study programs and prospects of student life — from scientific projects to extracurricular activities.



During the discussion the participants discussed the rules of entrance examinations, the procedure of examination of educational documents and the terms of visa extension. Students of the preparatory department actively asked questions concerning the competition lists and the subtleties of enrollment. At the end of the meeting all those present were sent a presentation with current information for enrollment in the 2025 academic year. As the organizers noted, many applicants have already started working in their personal offices and decided on the choice of directions, which indicates a high interest in studying at Polytechnic University.

«Your future begins now!» emphasized Natalia Makhanova. «The University strives to create an international community where every student, regardless of the country of origin, will have access to quality education and comfortable academic environment». The next stage will be individual work with applications, where the department staff will continue to accompany them at all stages of enrollment.



Events of this format strengthen the reputation of SPbPU as one of the leading universities open to intercultural dialog and ready to support international students in their professional development.

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