

Open Doors Olympiad for International Students: Scholarship to Study at Leading Russian Universities

A new academic year has begun, which means that the qualifying stage of the International Olympiad [Open Doors: Russian Scholarship project](#) has started again.

The winners of the intellectual competition are future foreign Master's degree and postgraduate students: they will have the opportunity to study at the expense of the Russian Federation budget in the leading universities of the country. This also applies to international students who will graduate from SPbPU Bachelor's degree program. If they win the Olympiad, they will have the opportunity to study for a Master's degree at Polytechnic University on the basis of the education quota of the Russian Government.

The year 2020 in general showed a powerful dynamics among the students - winners of the Open Doors Olympiad who chose Polytechnic University. If 4 years ago, at the start of the Olympiad, only two foreign students enrolled to SPbPU, in 2020, 29 people from Ecuador, Benin, Egypt, USA, India, Iran, Nigeria, Yemen and other countries chose SPbPU for further study.

Various categories of applicants are qualified to take part in the Olympiad: foreign citizens; stateless persons; compatriots living abroad; persons who have a Bachelor's degree for a Master's degree track, or holders of a Specialist or Master's degree diploma for a postgraduate track; in addition, international students who will graduate from Bachelor's degree or Master's degree (specialist) programs in 2021.



The proposed specializations include physics, mathematics, computer science, economics, etc. The event is supported by the Russian Ministry of Science and Higher Education and Rossotrudnichestvo. The organizer of the project is the [Global Universities Association](#) in the framework of the “Export of Education” federal project.

The International Olympiad Open Doors is the first project in Russia to attract talented foreign students from countries covering almost all countries of the world to study at leading Russian universities. The Olympiad is held online in Russian and English in two stages. At the first stage, participants need to provide a portfolio through an information platform specially developed on the website of the Olympiad. At the second stage, they must complete the Olympiad tasks, which will be held in the mode of participant identification and online control.

The winners of the Olympiad will receive the right to study free of charge in any of the best Russian universities on the basis of the quota for education of the RF Government, as well as additional opportunities offered by the universities organizing the Olympiad. Detailed information about studying at St. Petersburg State University can be found on the page of our university [Olympiad website](#).

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