

## Open Doors: Russian Scholarship Project - Registration Extended!

Registration deadline for the “[Open Doors: Russian Scholarship Project](#)” intellectual competition was extended: now, applications for the first round of selection can be submitted until February 16, 2018. The competition is open to all non-Russian citizens, stateless persons, and citizens of Russia with permanent residency in other countries. Applicants are required to have a Bachelor's degree or be completing their Bachelor's education in 2018. Contestants will compete for the opportunity to get free tuition at one of Russia's leading universities.



[Open Doors: Russian Scholarship Project](#) is Russia's first international competition for prospective Master's degree students. The competition is held with support of [the Russian Ministry of Education and Science](#) and the [Rossotrudnichestvo](#) Federal Agency. The Association of “[Global Universities](#)” acts as the organizer. The project is the first step to give students from all over the world an opportunity to enroll in a Master's program in Russia without entrance exams and using a single-window system: entrants can choose from more than 500 universities in 80 Russian cities, from Kaliningrad to Siberia and the Far East.

The competition is conducted in four subject areas: Physics, Mathematics, Computer Science and Economics, each area including several fields of study. In 2018, Peter the Great St. Petersburg Polytechnic University is co-organizer for Mathematics and Physics. Please note that it is allowed to apply for more than one field of study. Winners will have the opportunity to choose from a range of programs taught either in Russian or English. If an applicant's Russian needs improvement, he/she may apply for a preparatory year. A place in the Master's program will still be reserved for the applicant, so the winner will altogether have two years of free tuition.

To compete for a position at the coveted university, prospective students must sign up on the project's website: [od.globaluni.ru/en](http://od.globaluni.ru/en) and successfully pass two rounds of selection.

The first qualifying round is a portfolio contest. Entrants should upload their portfolios online via the project's website by **February 16, 2018**.

Those who have successfully passed the portfolio contest are invited to the final round, an online test that will be available from **March 5 to 15, 2018**.

The results of the competition will be announced in the end of March: the list of winners will be published on the project's website. The competition's tasks are available in Russian and English. The winners can choose to study at the university of their Choice in either English or Russian.

Participants who've successfully passed the two rounds and whose overall score gets them into the top 5% of the ranked list of participants are considered **Winners**. Participants who've successfully passed the two rounds and whose overall score gets them into the top 25% of the ranked list of participants are considered **Award winners**.

The list of winners will be published on [www.globaluni.ru](http://www.globaluni.ru)

### **The organizing committee**

The competition is supported by the leaders in Russian higher education and the Russian Ministry of Education and Science. The Organizing Committee includes ITMO University, the National Research Nuclear University (MEPhI), and the Higher School of Economics. Among the co-organizers, alongside SPBPU, are the National University of Science and Technology (MISIS), Tomsk State University, N. I. Lobachevsky State University of Nizhny Novgorod (UNN), the Siberian Federal University, Novosibirsk State University, Immanuel Kant Baltic Federal University and Ural Federal University.

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