# Petrozavodsk State University





Year of foundation: 1940



Total students: 9 169 / Foreign students: 378



Faculties: 16 / Departments: 65



Teachers: 695

Professors	Associate Professors	Doctors of Science	Candidates of Science	Foreign teachers
60	284	121	427	23



Main educational programmes for foreigners: 157

Bachelor's programme <b>116</b>	Master's programme <b>36</b>	Specialist programme <b>5</b>	Training of highest qualification personnel
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Additional educational programs for foreigners: 21

Pre-university training programmes <b>5</b>	Russian as a foreign language 1	Short programmes <b>15</b>	Other programmes
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Modes of study

- Extramural
- Full-time

Petrozavodsk State University is one of the leading universities in the North-West of Russia, a classical university that offers a variety of modern programs at all levels of training - from the preparatory department to postgraduate studies. PetrSU is a leading international school for training programmers, a recognized leader in the field of medical education for foreigners, a unique research center in the field of indigenous languages of the North.

- PetrSU has trained over 70,000 highly qualified specialists
- University specialists conduct international testing in foreign languages
- Academic exchange programs with more than 20 foreign universities are available.
- Every year dozens of international, all-Russian and regional scientific conferences and seminars are held at the base of the university
- The university has a center that performs bilingual official translations, including notarized and apostille translations
- The University has 16 modern educational buildings, a publishing house, a library with a fund of about 1.5 million books, a swimming pool and a botanical garden.
- All 10 dormitories are in convenient transport accessibility.
- PetrSU provides a large selection of summer and winter schools and short-term intensive educational programs.
- According to the results of scientific research 117 patents for inventions were obtained
- The only university where specialists in Finnish, Karelian and Vepsian languages are trained
- The university leads the way in programmer training. RealTrac technology for determining the location of objects developed in PetrSU won first place in the international competition of local positioning systems in Spain

#### PetrSU research activities:

- PetrSU is a major research center in engineering, humanities and natural science
- Over 100 cooperation agreements concluded with foreign universities and institutes
- Currently collaborating with research centers and international organizations from 30 countries of Central and Northern Europe, Asia and the CIS
- The University implements more than 300 scientific, educational and contractual projects funded by the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Russian Federation, the Russian Humanitarian Fund, the Russian Foundation for Basic Research, as well as by other Russian and foreign funds, enterprises and organizations
- The activities of our own IT-park employees contribute to the development of high technologies in the Nordic countries and the Russian Federation in the field of ICT and microelectronics

Research areas: 2

- programming and information technology
- microelectronics and plasma research
- mathematics
- physics
- medicine
- biology
- history
- philology
- political and social sciences
- law and economics
- problems of forestry, construction and agro-industrial complexes

### **Student successes**

## Famous graduates

Valery Shlyamin	Russian statesman. Headed the Ministry of Foreign Relations and Ministry of Economic Development of Karelia (1994-2003). Trade representative of Russia in Finland since 2003.
Yuri Andropov	Soviet statesman. Secretary General of CPSU. Headed the Committee of State Security (KGB) for 15 years.
Sergey Voenushkin	Soviet statesman. Minister of the Building Materials Industry of the USSR in the period from 1985 to 1989.
Rashid Nurgaliev	Russian statesman. He headed the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia from 2004 to 2012. Candidate of Economic Sciences.
Robert Rozhdestvensky	Noted Soviet poet. Author of over 70 poetry collections.
Sergey Orlov	Famous Russian poet, published series of books about the war heroism during the Great Patriotic War. In 1941 he completed the first course of the Faculty of History and Philology.

Veniamin Kaganov	Deputy Minister of Education and Science of the RF, graduated from the Faculty of Physics and Mathematics in 1980.
Sergey Katanandov	Karelian representative of the Federation Council, graduated from the Faculty of Industrial and Civil Construction in 1977.
Ivan Valentik	Deputy Minister of Natural Resources and Environment of the RF, graduated from the Faculty of Law in 1998.
Valentina Pivnenko	State Duma Deputy of the RF, graduated from the Faculty of History and Philology in 1978.

## Positions in international ratings

YEAR	RATING	POSITION
2019	QS World University Rankings: BRICS	261
2018	Green Metric World University Ranking (among flagship universities of Russia, among the universities of the NWFD)	2
2018	Webometrics Performance Rankings (among the universities of the Russian Federation)	72
2017	QS World University Rankings (BRICS Rankings)	151-200
2017	QS World University Rankings (EECA Rankings)	151-200
2017	GreenMetric (country rank)	12
2017	Webometrics	2956
2017	Webometrics (country rank)	36
2016	QS World University Rankings (EECA Rankings)	151-200
2016	QS World University Rankings (BRICS Rankings)	151-200
2016	Webometrics	3332
2016	Webometrics (country rank)	61

YEAR	RATING	POSITION
2015	University Web Ranking (among 387 universities of Russia)	28
2015	QS University Rankings: BRICS	150-200
2015	Green Metric World University Ranking 2014/2015 (among 361 universities worldwide)	83

## Positions in Russian ratings

YEAR	RATING	POSITION
2018	Graduate Employment Promotion Rank	1
2018	Potanin Charity Fund Ranking (among the universities of the NWFD)	5
2018	Rating of the demand for universities in the Russian Federation (among the flagship universities of the Russian Federation and among the universities of the NWFD)	2
2018	National University Rankings of Russia	36
2018	Green Universities of Russia	10
2018	Index of inventive activity of Russian universities of the Expert Analytical Center (among flagship universities)	1
2017	National University Ranking	32
2017	Potanin Charity Fund Rankings	18
2017	Index of inventive activity of Russian universities (according to the Expert version)	33-41
2017	Rating of the 100 best universities in Russia (RAEX)	83
2016	National University Ranking	30-33
2016	Potanin Charity Fund Ranking	2
2015	Potanin Foundation Rankings	14 5

YEAR	RATING	POSITION
2015	Expert RA Rating of Russian Universities 2014	52
2015	Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) University Rankings: BRICS (best universities of BRICS countries) among Russian universities	39-54
2015	University Web Ranking, among 387 universities of Russia	28
2015	Ranking of Russian universities in terms of level of salaries of graduates employed in IT	18
2015	Full ranking of Russian universities	39
2015	Rating of RF universities NWFD	5
2015	GreenMetric World University Ranking 2014/2015, among Russian universities	2
2014	All-Russian Competition for the Best Collective Employment Contract of Higher Education Teaching Organisations	8

### International partnership

PetrSU has concluded 107 cooperation agreements with 30 countries. The university runs academic exchange programs with 72 foreign universities. PetrSU has twenty years of experience teaching foreign students. More than 500 students from different countries of the world study at the university every year, and about 250 students of PetrSU undergo trainings in foreign universities under the programs Erasmus +, FIRST +, DAAD, Fulbright, North2North, Stipendium Hungaricum, etc. Every year PetrSU implements at least 30 international projects supported by international organizations. The university collaborates with UNESCO, the University of the Arctic, the Barents/Euro-Arctic Council of Education and Science, the National Council for Education of Finland.

#### Preparatory department for foreign applicants

#### Other types of training

At the preparatory faculty of PetrSU, foreign students study the Russian language, as well as subjects necessary for admission to the full-degree bachelor, specialty or master's programs. The training lasts from October to June. During this time, students not only master Russian, but also adapt to the conditions of life and study in Russia. International service staff and volunteers of PetrSU help them in this. During training all foreign students live in a dormitory (on a fee-paying basis).

The preparatory faculty of PetrSU offers four areas of preparation:

• economic

- humanitarian
- biomedical
- engineering and technological.

PetrSU accepts documents from April, 1 to August, 31; the training starts from October, 1. A later deadline for submitting documents and starting training is possible - this must be agreed upon individually.

## Support of foreign students

Foreign students can always count on support in solving a wide variety of issues that arise during their studies in Petrozavodsk. Employees of the PetrSU international service accompany foreign students from the first months in Petrozavodsk until they receive a diploma in their main specialty. For the convenience of foreigners who do not speak Russian, a convenient version of the official website of PetrSU in English has been developed. Through a simple online form, applicants can directly ask all questions about admission to PetrSU and study in Russia.

For foreign students who are already studying at PetrSU, a Facebook group has been created, which publishes useful information on studies and migration rules, announcements of interesting events in the city, articles on learning the Russian language and much more, which allows foreigners to feel part of the local student and urban community.

In addition, there is Slovo international agency which is involved in organizing work with foreign students. This is a linguistic volunteer movement that unites students from all over the world, regardless of nationality, age and major. Organizers, volunteers, participants and guests watch and discuss films together, cook national dishes, listen to and give lectures, play, learn to communicate and understand each other, and even travel.

#### **Everyday life of foreign students**

PetrSU creates the most comfortable conditions for adaptation and further study of foreign students in Petrozavodsk. Starting from the preparatory faculty, all foreigners are provided with places in one of the modern campus dormitories.

#### Leisure and sport events

Along with Russian students, foreigners can join one of the creative teams of PetrSU. This is an academic choir, two theaters, several ensembles, a pop vocal studio, various clubs.

For sports you can enroll in one of 20 sports clubs (skiing, volleyball, futsal, wushu, orienteering, weightlifting, judo, basketball, athletics, chess, checkers, game of go, sambo, aerobics, tourism). There is a stadium for training, ski slopes, a swimming pool, modern gyms.

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