Philology

Novosibirsk State University

Degree or qualification is awarded: Bachelor of science in Philology

Language of study: **Russian** Mode of study: **full-time** Duration: **4 years** Availability of free education: **yes** Price: **4 500 USD per year**

Programme webpage at the university website: https://education.nsu.ru/instituteforhumanities/

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Philology brings together different areas of the humanities: literature, linguistics, history and culture. Students majoring in these fields acquire unique knowledge and skills relevant to the modern world and necessary to succeed in it: a high level of literacy, fluency in foreign languages, the ability to quickly and accurately complete analytical work of any complexity.

Specializations within this programme

Russian philology

Students gain fundamental knowledge in literature, the Russian language, its history, contemporary status and development trends. Learn to analyze the language, create and interpret different types of texts with meaning, aesthetic, practical value. Moreover, philologists, students learn to refine and process texts: perform proofreading, editing, commenting, annotating.

Students majoring in Russian philology study one Western European language (English, French, German, Italian) and have the opportunity to learn a second foreign language. It prepares them to participate in cross-cultural and interethnic communication and provides a significant advantage in pursuing their future career.

Teaching Russian as a Foreign Language

Within this major, students gain a sound knowledge of the Russian language, literature and foreign languages, with a special focus on the study of teaching methods, psychology, communication and rhetoric. Russian as a foreign language is a separate area of expertise: to teach Russian to foreigners it is not enough to be a native speaker and have a good knowledge of its current state and historical evolution. Students majoring in this field learn how to answer baffling questions the foreigners can ask, they conceptualize what can be described as the "negative" material, i.e., mistakes foreigners make when speaking Russian. Students develop specific linguistic thinking required for a practising teacher of Russian as a foreign language. The program includes linguodidactic and linguoculturological subjects that help to build the students' methodological competence and give them knowledge of the problems connected with studying the Russian culture with a foreign language audience. The students have an opportunity to use this knowledge in practice during their teaching internships.