

Petrozavodsk State University



Year of foundation: **1940**



Total students: **11 670** / Foreign students: **375**



Faculties: **16** / Departments: **79**



Teachers: **891**

Professors
66

Associate Professors
329

Doctors of Science
105

Candidates of Science
502

Foreign teachers
10



Main educational programmes for foreigners: **165**

Bachelor's programme
79

Master's programme
44

Specialist programme
42

Training of highest qualification personnel



Additional educational programs for foreigners: **14**

Pre-university training programmes
2

Russian as a foreign language
8

Short programmes
4

Other programmes

PetrSU is the largest classical university in northwestern Russia.

The PetrSU campus has 13 academic buildings, a publishing house, a library with over 1.4 million books, a swimming pool and a Botanic garden.

Since 2012, the university has won seven national awards for state support of Russian universities.

Today PetrSU has:

- 84 laboratories, development and project departments.
- 27 innovative centres.

- 28 small enterprises established by the university.
- 2 Technoparks.
- Linguistic Center.
- 117 patents gained from the scientific research.
- 4 Foreign Language Testing Centres (Russian, English, French, TORFL, TOEFL, TOLES, DELF).

Operating under the university, the Oxide Electronics research centre is a global leader in the field of development and creation of non-silicon micro- and nanoelectronic components and devices.

Petrozavodsk State University is a leader in training programmers. The technology for defining location of objects for enclosed rooms Real Trac developed at the university won first prize in an international competition of local positioning systems EvAAL-2013 (Spain).

The only university in Russia providing education in the Karelian, Vepsian and Finnish languages simultaneously.

Scientists of PetrSU discovered the minor planet Petrsu. PetrSU professor Alexander Megan is involved in the unique international experiment Mars-500.

Student successes

PetrSU graduates are winners of the open international competition of theses and projects among CIS country universities.

In 2015, 4 students from PetrSU were awarded Potanin Foundation scholarships

In 2014, 7 students from PetrSU were awarded scholarships of the President and Government of Russia.

Students of the PetrSU Department of Economics were winners of the all-Russian student academic competition in Banking.

The joint development (wood-cement material) of two students of PetrSU (one undergraduate and one postgraduate) was awarded the gold medal at the High Technologies – Innovations Investments (HI-TECH) exhibition in St. Petersburg (2015).

A student of the PetrSU Mathematics Department took second place in the international competition IT-planet 2014/15.

PetrSU Master's students were winners of the 8th International Competition in Information Technology IT-Planet 2014/15.

Sporting achievements:

- 56 students received or confirmed their athletic title as a Candidate Master of Sports.
- 32 students were given the rank of the Master of Sports.
- Aleksandr Balandin took part in the Olympic Games in London (2012).
- The graduate student Nadezhda Kotlyarova became the champion of Summer Universiade in Kazan (track and field athletics, 2013).
- Vladislav Larin became the champion of Europe and the silver prize-winner of the European games in Baku (2015).
- Natalya Dyachkova became the winner of the Russian Cup in Thai boxing (2015).
- Elvin Mamedov (PetrSU graduate) became the prize-winner of Russian Fighting Sambo Championship.
- Rashad Muradov (PetrSU graduate) is the champion of Russia and the prize-winner of the World Cup in fighting sambo.
- Denis Bugakov became the winner of the World Karate Championship in Serbia (2012).
- Angelina Demyanova is the Master of Sports, the silver prize-winner of the European Taekwondo Championship among students (2013).
- Anastasia Lozhkina became the Master of Sports and the bronze prize-winner of the World Cup in taekwondo among students in China (2014).

- Denis Grishman is the champion of Russia in sports orientation (2012).
- Ekaterina Puline (the champion of Europe in taekwondo) ranked the World class Master of Sports (2015).
- Alexander Kashirin is the world champion in armlifting (2015).
- Alexey Lazarev is the Go game champion of Europe (2014).

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
2015	GreenMetric World University Ranking 2014/2015, из 361 университета мира	83
2015	Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) University Rankings: BRICS (Лучшие вузы стран БРИКС)	150-200

Positions in Russian ratings

YEAR	RATING	POSITION
2015	GreenMetric World University Ranking 2014/2015, among Russian universities	2
2015	Rating of RF universities NWFED	5
2015	Full ranking of Russian universities	39
2015	Ranking of Russian universities in terms of level of salaries of graduates employed in IT	18
2015	University Web Ranking, among 387 universities of Russia	28
2015	Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) University Rankings: BRICS (best universities of BRICS countries) among Russian universities	39-54
2015	Expert RA Rating of Russian Universities 2014	52
2015	Potanin Foundation Rankings	14
2014	All-Russian Competition for the Best Collective Employment Contract of Higher Education Teaching Organisations	8

International partnership

PetrSU has concluded 92 cooperation agreements with 30 countries. The university has academic exchange programmes with 63 universities abroad.

PetrSU has twenty years of experience in teaching international students. Each year the university enrolls more than 300 applicants from different countries, and 250 students of PetrSU complete internships or conduct research in foreign universities under the Erasmus Mundus, FIRST, CIMO, TEMPUS and other programmes.

Every year, PetrSU implements no less than 30 international projects with the support of international organisations. The university collaborates with UNESCO, the University of the Arctic, the Working Group on Education and Science of the Council of the Barents Euro-Arctic region, the National Board of Education of Finland, and the International Association of Finno-Ugric Universities.

Preparatory department for foreign applicants

Preparatory department for Bachelor's programme

Petrozavodsk State University has a preparatory department where international students study before entering the main Bachelor's Degree Programmes.

In addition, the university offers additional comprehensive biomedicine, engineering and technical programmes.

Support of foreign students

Upon arrival in the city, international students of PetrSU are met by the staff at the station (bus or train), accompanied to the dormitory, and helped with settling in. Students also receive assistance in completing the documents needed for enrolment, studying and staying in Russia.

International students can always count on support in resolving personal issues. If necessary, employees of PetrSU accompany them to medical institutions, offices of the FMS, banks, etc.

In the first week of residence, organisational meetings are held where first-year students are introduced to the structure of the university, the terms and requirements of the educational process, sports and creative societies in the university, migration rules and internal regulations. Excursions around the university and Petrozavodsk are arranged. Throughout the period of study, individual and group consultations and discussions are regularly held on matters of academic progress, attendance of lectures, living conditions, compliance with migration law, etc.

Russian classmates are actively encouraged to work with international students. Together, they participate in and conduct their own cultural activities.

International students can participate in cultural activities of the university and the city (when accompanied by an employee or employees of the university). Excursions around Karelia are also organised for them.

Everyday life of foreign students

PetrSU has 9 comfortable dormitories for 3700 students with well-equipped sports facilities, study rooms and lounges. All buildings have modern fire safety systems, alarms and access control installed. Remodelling and maintenance has been carried out, and washing machines and electric plates have been installed.

The rooms have Internet access.

All the buildings are easily accessible by transport. In the near future, a network of bicycle paths will connect the academic and residential buildings of PetrSU.

Leisure and sport events

More than 30 creative societies have been founded at PetrSU. These include a choir, two theatres, several ensembles, studio pop vocals, various clubs, the club of lovers of modern literature, entertainment club, KVN team and other associations.

For sports you can sign up in one of 20 associations (skiing, volleyball, indoor soccer, martial arts, orienteering, weightlifting, judo, basketball, athletics, chess, checkers, go, Sambo, aerobics, tourism). Travel enthusiasts are welcome in the Sampo tourism club.

For training sessions and exercise, there is a stadium, ski slopes, swimming pool, and modern gyms. In fifteen years, PetrSU graduates have included 65 masters of sports and the university's athletes have won no less than 50 medals at European and world competitions.

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