Year of foundation: **1940**

Total students: **9,169** / Foreign students: **378**

Faculties: **16** / Departments: **65**

Teachers: **695**

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<td>284</td>
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Main educational programmes for foreigners: **157**

- Bachelor's programme: **116**
- Master's programme: **36**
- Specialist programme: **5**
- Training of highest qualification personnel

Additional educational programs for foreigners: **21**

- Pre-university training programmes: **5**
- Russian as a foreign language: **1**
- Short programmes: **15**
- Other programmes

**Modes of study**

- Extramural
- Full-time

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**

**Famous graduates**

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<td>Yuri Andropov</td>
<td>Soviet statesman. Secretary General of CPSU. Headed the Committee of State Security (KGB) for 15 years.</td>
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<td>Rashid Nurgaliev</td>
<td>Russian statesman. He headed the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia from 2004 to 2012. Candidate of Economic Sciences.</td>
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<td>Robert Rozhdestvensky</td>
<td>Noted Soviet poet. Author of over 70 poetry collections.</td>
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<td>Sergey Orlov</td>
<td>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.</td>
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<td>Veniamin Kaganov</td>
<td>Deputy Minister of Education and Science of the RF, graduated from the Faculty of Physics and Mathematics in 1980.</td>
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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

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International partnership

PetrSU has concluded 107 cooperation agreements with 30 countries. The university has academic exchange programmes with 72 universities abroad.

PetrSU has twenty years of experience in teaching international students. Each year the university enrolls more than 500 students from different countries, and 250 students of PetrSU complete internships or conduct research in foreign universities under Erasmus+, FIRST+, DAAD, Fulbright, North2North, Stipendium Hungaricum and other programs.

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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