Universidade Estatal de Investigação Nacional de Nizhny Novgorod de N. I. Lobachevsky





Year of foundation: 1916



Total students: 26 125 / Foreign students: 1 064



Faculties: 11 / Departments: 205



Teachers: 1 330

Professors	Associate Professors	Doctors of Science	Candidates of Science	Foreign teachers
190	645	273	856	4



Main educational programmes for foreigners: 372



Additional educational programs for foreigners: 17

Pre-university training programmes	Russian as a foreign language	Short programmes	Other programmes
2	10	3	2

National Research Lobachevsky State University of Nizhni Novgorod is a top Russian higher education centre providing thorough training in the best Russian academic traditions. The university has had the status of research centre since 2009.

Lobachevsky University's distinctive feature is high quality of education and affordable tuition fees. It offers a large range of education programmes and modes of study, as well as scholarships and grant programmes.

UNN won recognition worldwide. It is a member of the European University Association (EUA) and the Deans European Academic Network (DEAN) Executive Committee. It was listed in the top 100 100 BRICS education centres in QS Rankings 2013-2015.

UNN offers English medium programmes in the following fields:

Bachelor's degree:

- Fundamental Informatics and Information Technology
- Economics
- International Relations

Master's degree:

• Management

In 2014, the University launched a state-of-the-art Lobachevsky computational cluster ranking 24th among the world's supercomputers. In 2015, it opened the SPF Vivarium, the third in Russia, to conduct research in schizophrenia, epilepsy, and Altzheimer's disease. In 2017, UNN launched the Center for Innovative Development of Medical Instrument Engineering featuring full design and marketing of competitive high-tech domestic products. The Centre is tasked with consolidating the research, clinical and education tracks.

Student successes

Famous graduates

Igor Pushkarev	Politician and former senator. Mayor of Vladivostok since 2008.
Vladimir Mamontov	Noted Russian journalist. President of the editorial board of Izvestya newspaper – one of Russia's top national publications.
Felix Azhimov	Philosopher and lecturer. Author of over 50 research papers. The youngest Doctor of Sciences (Philosophy) in Russia. Head of the School of Humanities at FEFU.
Ilya Lagutenko	Noted Russian rock musician and frontman of the band Mummy Troll. Visiting lecturer at FEFU.

Positions in international ratings

YEAR	RATING	POSITION
2017	THE WUR	801+
2017	THE BRICS & Emerging Economies	201-250
2016	QS World University Rankings	701+
2016	Round University Ranking	499

YEAR	RATING	POSITION
2016	QS University Rankings: BRICS	76
2016	QS University Rankings: Emerging Europe and Central Asia	57
2015	QS University Rankings: BRICS 2015	86
2015	QS World University Rankings	701
2014	QS World University Rankings	701
2014	QS University Rankings: BRICS	72
2014	QS University Ranking: Emerging Europe & Central Asia	61
2014	Webometrics Ranking	1478
2013	Webometrics Ranking	1446
2013	QS University Rankings: BRICS	74
2013	QS World University Rankings	701
2012	QS World University Ranking	601
2011	QS World University Ranking	601

Positions in Russian ratings

YEAR	RATING	POSITION
2016	National University Ranking	19
2016	Expert RA Ranking of Russian universities	28
2015	National University Ranking 2015 - 21	21

YEAR	RATING	POSITION
2015	Expert RA Ranking of Russian universities	32
2014	Expert RA Ranking of Russian universities	45
2014	National University Ranking	21
2013	Ranking of Universities in CIS Countries, Georgia, Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia	20
2013	Expert RA Ranking of Russian universities	48
2013	National University Ranking	23
2012	Expert RA Ranking of Russian universities	34
2012	National University Ranking	18
2011	National University Ranking	19
2010	National University Ranking	19
2009	National University Ranking	8

International partnership

Lobachevsky University cooperates with more than 100 education centres across the world and such global companies as Gazprom, Rosatom, Sberbank, National Instruments, Teleca, MERA, INTEL, MICROSOFT, HUAWEI, NVIDIA, CISCO SYSTEMS etc.

The programmes implemented with international partners include:

- EC Erasmus +:
- Russian-Italian university (University of Calabria);
- Joint programme with University of Florida (USA);
- Double degree programmes (University of Siena, University of Palermo (Italy), University of Grenoble Alpes, University of Rouen (France);
- Advanced training programme (University of Grenoble Alpes, France).

Preparatory department for foreign applicants

Preparatory department for Bachelor's programme

Lobachevsky University has a preparatory department for international students. Classes are held in groups in one of five fields (chosen by the student): Natural Sciences, Humanities, Economics, Engineering and Biomedicine. The basis of the training programme is intensive instruction in Russian as a foreign language (20 academic hours per week) and a number of specialised disciplines, which must be mastered for admission to the first year of the Bachelor's Degree Programme in the chosen subject area.

Content of the course (except for studies in Russian and Culture of Speech):

- Natural Sciences: Scientific Style of Speech (Natural Sciences), Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Computer Science or Biology (up to the student's choice);
- Humanities: Scientific Style of Speech (Humanities), Literature, Geography, History of Russia, Social Science;
- Economics: Scientific Style of Speech(Economic Sciences), Economics, Social Science, Mathematics, History of Russia;
- Engineering: Scientific Style of Speech(Engineering), Mathematics, Physics, Computer Science, Geography or Social Science:
- Biomedicine: Scientific Style of Speech(Biomedicine), Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology.

Duration of study:

- 2 terms (start September 2017, end June 2018).
- 3 terms (start March 2018, end June 2019).

Preparatory department for Master's programme

Prior to enrolment in the Master's Degree Programme, international applicants may also take a course in the preparatory department. Classes are held in groups in one of five fields (chosen by the student): Natural Sciences, Humanities, Economics, Engineering and Biomedicine. The basis of the training programme is intensive instruction in Russian as a foreign language (20 academic hours per week) and a number of specialised disciplines, which must be mastered for subsequent completion of Master's Degree Programmes. During the course, students are given an opportunity to complete an interview in the teaching department and agree on a candidate for the student's research supervisor on the Master's Degree Programme.

Term of study:

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2 terms (start - September 2017, end - June 2018).
3 terms (start - March 2018, end - June 2019).
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Other types of training

In addition to the main programmes, Lobachevsky University offers additional programmes for international students:

- International student mobility programmes;
- Russian as a foreign language courses (all levels);
- Russian for Specific Purposes (Political Science and International Relations, Philology, Economics);
- TORFL Preparation Programme (all levels);
- Russian Summer School;
- Research and teaching internship programmes for prospective international postgraduate students;
- One-on-one Russian language courses.

Support of foreign students

The international students department provides support to applicants from their first application until the end of their studies. In particular, its employees oversee the admission and studies of international students, help with applying for a student visa to Russia, cooperate with other departments of the university, coordinate extracurricular activities, and provide support to graduates.

Everyday life of foreign students

International students live in three dormitories on the university campus not far from the city centre. They are offered accommodation in triple rooms with furniture and bedding. Rooms are equipped with wired internet access points (on a paid basis). There are rooms for studying and free cloakrooms for belongings on each floor.

Leisure and sport events

Every year international students take part in the scientific, cultural, sports and creative events of university and at the municipal and regional level. They join in different kinds of sports, from football and swimming to karting and parachute jumping. All opportunities for creative self-actualisation are on offer at student competitions and festivals, social and cultural projects, and in student government.

Principal events include:

- Autumn Debuts Festival (October);
- International Student Day (November);
- International Sport Festival (December);
- Spartakiad of Lobachevsky University (October-May);
- Student Spring Festival (March);
- Regional Academic Competition in Russian (April);
- Days of National Cultures (October May);
- City Spartakyad in football and ping pong for international students (April);
- International student open football tournament ISOFT-NN (May-June);
- International session of the regional youth camp Lazurny (July);
- International cultural and language club RKI+FIS (September June);
- Gocce d'amore dance theatre (September June).

Employment of foreign graduates

Graduates of Lobachevsky University work at leading Russian and international companies (MERA, Intel, Sberbank of Russia, Rosatom), foreign financial organisations, as well as in diplomatic offices of foreign countries.

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