

The Russian Federation is the largest of the former states that made up the USSR, which dissolved in 1991 after Gorbachev's reforms opened up Russia both economically and politically to change. The Baltic republics led the way to independence, but Russia retains a critical role in international relations and world affairs. Remnants of the Soviet era and the spoils of old Russia remain and are no more evident than in the glorious and dramatic city of St. Petersburg, which is known by some as the "Venice of the North". Its architectural heritage and history make St. Petersburg an intriguing city and setting for an academic immersion into Russian culture and society and its ever-evolving historical path.

SAINT PETERSBURG STATE UNIVERSITY

Undergraduate and Graduate Programs Semester and Year Programs

The Saint Petersburg State University was founded by Emperor Peter the Great in 1724, making it the oldest university in Russia. With 12 research institutes and 19 faculties, it is celebrated for its academic excellence in a variety of fields. Today the university enrolls over 28,000 undergraduate students and nearly 5,000 graduate students and has opened up international partnerships and collaborations with some of the world's finest educational institutions.

The Faculty of International Relations was opened in 1994 and has strong programs in International Relations, Political Sciences, and the Social Sciences. Graduates of the faculty go on to specialize in careers in Russian international relations and foreign policy.

Students can take undergraduate courses in Russian or graduate courses in English.

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Academic Areas

International Relations
Political Science and Social Sciences

Prerequisites

At least Senior standing

Program Dates

Fall Semester: September 1 to late January
Spring Semester: early February to June

Room and Board

Students going to Saint Petersburg can apply to live in the dorms, but there is limited availability due to limited space. The cost of the student dorms is relatively inexpensive for visiting students.

Estimated Expenses*

	Semester
UM Tuition	\$1,424 per credit hour (graduate)
Room & Board	\$2,000
Health Insurance	\$650
Books and Supplies	\$300
IIEP Fee	\$150
TOTAL (based on 9 credits)	<u>\$15,916</u>

* *All expense information is based on our best estimates. UM tuition is based on 2008-2009 rates.*

Additional student expenses will vary according to individual spending habits and travel. The total cost of books, supplies, and personal expenses also may increase or decrease depending on the rate of exchange at the time of study.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Application Deadlines

Fall: March 1
Spring: October 1

Requirements

- Completed application, signed by your academic advisor
- Essay
- Two faculty recommendations
- Official transcript
- Personal interview
- \$500 nonrefundable deposit is due upon acceptance (deducted from the program cost)

Academic Credit

Students are registered at the University of Miami and earn 12-18 undergraduate or credits per semester for all approved courses. Upon completion of the courses overseas, a transcript

from the overseas university will be sent to the IEEP office. The grades and credits will be converted to UM grades and credits according to the Grading Scale established by International Admission. The course titles, grades, and credits will be reported to the Registrar and placed on your UM transcript. Non-UM students will receive a UM transcript, and one will be sent to the Registrar of your home university.

Travel Arrangements

Students are responsible for making their own travel arrangements.

Financial Aid

Most forms for University of Miami financial aid are available to UM students studying abroad. Students receiving financial aid from other institutions should contact their financial aid office to determine if the aid is transferable. Students should also check the study abroad website for other scholarships that may be applicable for their study abroad program:

www.miami.edu/studyabroad.

Medical Insurance

Participants are required to secure health insurance to provide adequate coverage for any injuries and/or illnesses that they may sustain or experience while participating in the program, including coverage for medical evacuation and repatriation of remains.

Passport and Visa

A valid passport is required for travel abroad. Students should inquire at the U.S. Passport Agency in their city or contact their local U.S. Post Office for information. Student visa information will be provided upon acceptance.



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