Preparatory Year

HSE’s Preparatory Year trains international students with little or no knowledge of Russian before they begin Russian-taught Bachelor’s and Master’s programmes. Students improve their basic language skills, study in a chosen academic field (humanities, economics, or engineering), and adapt to the new educational environment. Upon completing Preparatory Year, students are expected to possess intermediate-level language skills (CEFR level B1, TRKI level 1) and be ready to study in Russian-taught full-degree programmes at HSE and other Russian universities.

Dates:
1 semester: February – July
Fee: 1 450 USD*
2 semesters: October – July
Fee: 2 900 USD*
3 semesters: February – July
Fee: 4 400 USD*
Contact: inter@hse.ru l hse.ru/prep

Life at HSE

Housing:
All visiting students are guaranteed housing in HSE centrally located dormitories where rent averages 20 USD per month.

Cafeterias:
Throughout all HSE buildings cafeterias serve breakfast, lunch and dinner at low prices.

Buddies:
HSE’s Buddies Network is a group of Russian students who volunteer to help international students adapt to life at HSE and in Moscow.

Libraries:
HSE students have access to five Moscow libraries with the extensive collections. HSE also provides on- and off-campus access to the most extensive collection of international electronic resources in Russia.

* This calculation is intended for estimation purposes only (1 USD = 60 RUB)
Semester in Moscow

Opening all of HSE’s English-taught programmes to visiting undergraduate and graduate students, Semester in Moscow offers a wide array of courses in social sciences, the humanities, IT, mathematics, and more. Russian language training is available at all levels, and students can also enroll in HSE’s Russian-taught courses if their command of the language is strong enough. The programme places students in the heart of Russia’s capital, giving them the opportunity to explore Moscow’s many dimensions.

Dates:
Fall semester: September – December
Spring semester: January – May
Fee: 150 USD per 1 ECTS
Credits: 24-30 ECTS
Contact: semester@hse.ru | hse.ru/semester

Students can also spend a semester at HSE St. Petersburg or Nizhny Novgorod campuses.

International Summer University

Each summer, undergraduate and graduate students and professionals from all over the world come to Moscow for English-taught courses with HSE’s top professors. Courses focus on the politics, history, economics, and culture of Russia and Eurasia, and also include computer science, mathematics, social sciences, the humanities, and Russian language. Students design their own study plans based on their interests and the number of credits they wish to earn. Special modules are offered at HSE’s St. Petersburg and Nizhny Novgorod campuses, so that international students can experience three unique Russian cities in one summer.

Dates:
June 20 – August 20
Fee: 150 USD per 1 ECTS
Credits: 4-16 ECTS
Contact: summer-hse@hse.ru | hse.ru/summer

Doing Business in Russia

Designed for students interested in careers involving Russia, this programme provides both valuable practical experience through internships and theoretical knowledge through classroom instruction. Students are placed in Global and German companies operating in Russia, where they learn first-hand about the inner working of businesses in Russia. Courses focus on entrepreneurship, business environment, cross-cultural negotiations, multicultural teamwork, and marketing. The programme culminates with company-based projects and experience-sharing seminar.

Dates:
Fall semester: October - March
Spring semester: April - September
Fee: 1500 EUR
Credits: 12-30 ECTS
Contact: natguseva@hse.ru | hse.ru/doingbusiness

Russian Language Courses

Throughout the year, Russian language courses are offered at all levels, from beginner to advanced. Studying in small groups, students develop their reading, writing, and speaking skills through classroom instruction and conversational practice with native speakers. Standard courses and thematic electives are held during the academic year. In the summer, an intensive module and a special programme for heritage speakers are offered. Through extracurricular activities, HSE language tutors introduce students to life and culture in Moscow.

Dates:
Fall semester: September – December
Spring semester: January – May
Fee: 1125 USD*
Credits: 12-13 ECTS
Contact: oeremina@hse.ru | hse.ru/en/rfl