EXCHANGE FACTSHEET
2020-2021

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Nomination and Application Process

Nomination deadlines

- Fall semester – April 15
- Spring semester – September 30

Nomination process

Official nominations should be made through the Online Nomination form by the coordinator of a partner university. Each nomination should be submitted separately.

NOTE:

a) A nominated student’s passport must be valid for at least 18 months from the proposed start date of the visa:

- Fall semester 2020 – February 27, 2022
  (1-3 days difference is allowed)
- Spring semester 2021 – July 15, 2022
  (1-3 days difference is allowed)

Otherwise, the student may be required to apply for a new passport.

b) Students who are citizens of migration-risk countries are required to have a notarized translation of their passport for visa application
Application deadline

Fall semester – May 15
Spring semester – October 15

Application process

After you have been nominated by your university, you will receive a welcome e-mail from us with an invitation to fill out a student account and attach scans of the following documents:

- Passport: must be valid for at least 18 months from the start date of your planned student visa
- University/college transcripts/records of current studies (in .pdf/ Original + certified translation in English)
- Motivation letter (300-500 words/in English)
- Photo

Application shall be done online - all nominated students receive login details and are required to fill in online HSE University profiles.
Academic Information 2020-2021

Academic calendar

- Fall semester*:
  Module 1: September 1 – October 20, exams: October 21 – 27
  Module 2: October 28 – December 22, exams: December 23 – 31

- Spring semester*:
  Module 3: January 9 – March 24, exams: March 25 – March 31
  Module 4: April 1 – June 16, exams: June 17 – 30

- Summer break:
  July 1 – August 31

*Dates are subject to change. Please check on the website closer to the dates of your application.

Course offer

Course catalogues:
- HSE University Course Guide
- GSB Course offer
Language of instruction

- **English**
  For courses taught in English, minimum requirement of language proficiency – B2

- **Russian**
  For courses taught in Russian, minimum requirement of language proficiency – C1

Credit system

- HSE University relies on the ECTS system
  1 ECTS = 38 academic hours = 24 astronomical hours
  1 academic hour = 40 minutes / 1 astronomical hour = 60 minutes

Standard workload

- 30 ECTS per semester
- 60 ECTS per year
Grading system and transcripts

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Exams

At the end of each Module there is an examination week. In Fall semester exams are in late October and late December; in Spring semester – late March and late June. Exams dates may vary by course.

Transcripts

Digital transcripts of records are sent to students and to International Offices of students’ Home Universities. Hardcopies may be sent to International Office of Home University upon request.
Living in Moscow

Visa

We provide visa support for international students. Formal visa invitations are ordered through the Russian Ministry of Internal Affairs for every student. A visa invitation is required to acquire a student visa. The first visa issued is, initially, a single-entry visa. It is then extended to a multiple-entry visa, which shall be valid for the entire period of a student’s exchange.

NOTE: Be prepared to stay in Russia without leaving for a 90-day period after your initial arrival until you receive a multiple-entry visa.

Housing

HSE University offers dormitory accommodation. Bookings shall be made during your application process.
Health insurance

Exchange students at HSE University are required to have a medical insurance. It has to cover the whole period of stay in Russia at HSE University. The medical insurance must include tests, basic diagnostics, medical certificates, dental procedures, trauma assistance and repatriation.

Costs of living

- Official requirement
  - Visa prolongation: 1 600 rubles

- Cost per month
  - Housing: 1 200 rubles (dormitory)
  - 20 000–40 000 rubles (private housing)
  - Food: 15 000 rubles
  - Transportation: 400-650 rubles
  - Phone bills: 600-800 rubles
  - Leisure: 5 000 rubles

Russian language learning

Exchange students can attend a course of Russian as a Foreign Language (6 ECTS) during their studies at HSE University free of charge. The course is offered to students with different levels of Russian proficiency (levels 1-6).

Social life

Student life at HSE University is lots of fun. Different student organizations such as Erasmus Student Network and Student Initiative Support Centre will help you socialize in Moscow, make new friends, integrate into a university life and immerse into the Russian and HSE University culture.

Life in Moscow

http://www.hse.ru/recommends
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