

EXCHANGE FACTSHEET 2019-2020

Name of university	National Research University Higher School of Economics (HSE)
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INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS SUPPORT

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What we do	Administer exchange nominations; provide invitations for visas and acceptance letters; send out pre-departure information letters; consult on preliminary individual study plans, housing, and health insurance options; organize orientation and adaptation sessions; administer the issue of student documents; inform students about events and activities; issue and send out final transcripts, etc.
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NOMINATION AND APPLICATION PROCESS

Nomination deadlines	Fall semester dates (second half of year) – April, 15 Spring semester dates (first half of year) – September, 30
Nomination process	<p>Official nominations should be made through our Online Nomination form by the coordinator of a partner university. Each nomination should be submitted separately.</p> <p>NOTE:</p> <p>a) A nominated student's passport must be valid for at least 18 months from the proposed start date of the visa:</p> <p>Fall semester 2018 – by January 20, 2020 (1-3 days' difference is allowed); Spring semester 2019 – July 10, 2020 (1-3 days' difference is allowed).</p> <p>Fall semester 2019 – February 27, 2021 (1-3 days' difference is allowed); Spring semester 2020 – July 15, 2021 (1-3 days' difference is allowed).</p> <p>Otherwise, the student may be required to apply for a new passport.</p> <p>b) Students who are citizens of migration-risk countries are required to have a notarized translation of their passport for visa application.¹</p>
Application deadlines	Fall semester dates (second half of year) – May, 15 Spring semester dates (first half of year) – October, 15
Application process	<p>After nomination deadline students will receive a welcome letter from international.study@hse.ru with an invitation to fill out an online student account and attach scans of the following documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Passport: must be valid for at least 18 months from the start date of the planned visa; <p>Fall semester 2018 – January 20, 2020 (1-3 days' difference is allowed); Spring semester 2019 – July 10, 2020 (1-3 days' difference is allowed).</p> <p>Fall semester 2019 – February 27, 2021 (1-3 days' difference is allowed); Spring semester 2020 – July 15, 2021 (1-3 days' difference is allowed).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ University/college transcripts/records of current studies (if available) (in .pdf/ Original + certified translation in English); ✓ Academic reference (at least one/in English); ✓ Motivation letter (300-500 words/in English); ✓ Photo (3x4 cm, passport format). <p><i>After all documents are submitted, students will receive HSE Letter of Acceptance and Invitation Letter issued by the Migration Authority (if applicable).</i></p>
Visa (if necessary)	<p>HSE provides 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 of the entire period of the student's exchange.</p> <p>NOTE: Be prepared to stay in Russia without leaving for a 90-day period after your initial arrival until you receive your multiple-entry visa.</p>
Orientation sessions	https://istudents.hse.ru/orientation/

¹ Please check the list of migration-risk countries at the Russian Embassy/Consulate/Visa Centre.

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Academic calendar	http://istudents.hse.ru/year
Courses offered	Courses available in Russian: http://www.hse.ru/edu/courses/ Courses available in English: http://www.hse.ru/en/edu/study/?year=2018
Is it possible for exchange students to enrol for courses from different faculties?	Yes. Exchange students may enrol in any course offered by the host institution for which they are qualified.
Course / department restrictions (if any)	Acceptance to certain courses may be subject to the given department's approval.
Language of teaching	Russian and English
Recommended language level	For courses taught in English – no less than an English level of B2 (TOEFL iBT 75/IELTS 6.5) For courses taught in Russian – no less than a Russian level of B2 (C1) (based on the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages levels)
Credit system (ECTS or any other)	HSE relies on the ECTS system 1 ECTS = 38 academic hours = 24 astronomical hours 1 academic hour = 40 minutes / 1 astronomical hour = 60 minutes
Usual work load	30 ECTS per semester, 60 ECTS per year
Grading system	http://istudents.hse.ru/credit
Transcripts	Transcripts in pdf are sent to students <u>within 5 weeks after the official end of the semester</u> . Hard copies are sent upon the home university coordinator's request to the institution's address. https://istudents.hse.ru/transcript

LIVING ABROAD

Housing on campus	HSE offers dormitory accommodation. Bookings shall be made through students' online profiles. http://www.hse.ru/en/dormitory/
Organizations/ activities	http://istudents.hse.ru/active/
Pre-departure checklist	http://istudents.hse.ru/checklist/
Local language learning	Russian as a Foreign Language (optional)-72 classes per semester (6 ECTS).
Life in Moscow	http://www.hse.ru/recommends/
Health insurance	http://istudents.hse.ru/medical/