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Click on the section ‘Admissions’ on the front page of HSE website for more information on enrollment for full degree programmes and further steps

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https://istudents.hse.ru/
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Dear international student,

Thank you for choosing our university for your international study experience! It is a great pleasure to welcome you into the HSE family. This handbook is intended to serve as a quick reference for whatever questions may arise during your study at HSE.

All international students are recommended to take part in the orientation session in the beginning of the semester. The orientation activities are intended to help you learn about HSE and its facilities, better adapt to living in Moscow, the capital and largest city in Russia, and make your visit as productive and enjoyable as possible.

HSE wishes you success and many wonderful discoveries!

Ivan Prostakov
HSE Vice-Rector
International Student Mobility
(for exchange and visiting students)

Address: 11 Myasnitskaya Ulitsa, office 301 (metro Lubyanka, Turgenevskaya)
Visiting hours: Monday - Wednesday, 10 AM - 1 PM
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Phone: +7 (495) 772 9590, ext. (*) 12464, 12466, 12467

International Admissions
(for full-degree programmes newcomers)

Address: 13/4 Myasnitskaya Ulitsa, office 112 (metro Lubyanka, Turgenevskaya)
Visiting hours: Monday – Friday, 9:30 AM – 6 PM
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Website: https://www.hse.ru/admissions/
Phone: +7 (495) 531 0059

Psychological Counseling

Address: 7 Vavilova Ulitsa, office 1005 (metro Leninskiy Prospect)
Office hours: Monday – Friday, 9 AM – 9 PM;
E-mail: cpkhse@yandex.ru
Website: hse.ru/en/cpc
Visa and Registration

Address: 20 Myasnitskaya Ulitsa, office 538 (metro Lubyanka, Turgenevskaya)

Document submission
   Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 3 PM – 7 PM
   Wednesday, 10 AM – 7 PM

E-mail: visa-registration@hse.ru

Website: visa.hse.ru

Phone: +7 (495) 531 0063

Russian as a Foreign Language

Address: 21/4 Staraya Basmannaya Ulitsa, office 514 (metro Kurskaya, Krasnye Vorota)

Office hours:
   Monday, Thursday 3 – 6 PM
   Wednesday, 10 AM – 5 PM

E-mail: oeremina@hse.ru

Website: https://www.hse.ru/en/rfl/

Student Development
(Career Development, Student Initiative Support)

Address: 18 Myasnitskaya Ulitsa, office 18-309 (metro Lubyanka, Turgenevskaya)

E-mail: https://sdo.hse.ru/en/

Website: studsupport@hse.ru

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Pre-Departure Checklist

Steps to take before you leave your country

☐ Apply for and receive a student visa at a Russian consulate or visa center in your home country (single entry visa; 90 days duration) (more details on p. 13)

☐ Enroll for a health insurance plan valid in Russia or decide which medical insurance to apply for in Russia (more details on p. 23)

☐ Check in your application whether you need dormitory accommodation

☐ Get an HSE health certificate signed and stamped by your physician in order to check into the dormitory (more details on p. 19)

☐ Get acquainted with the Dormitory Internal Rules and Tenancy Agreement (more details on p. 19-20)

☐ Request a buddy and get in contact with him/her (more details on p. 39)

☐ Join our Facebook Group: HSE International Students

☐ Check the Life in Moscow website (can be found at Campus Life section at International Student Support website) for useful tips

☐ Plan to arrive in Moscow in time for the orientation session and the start of the semester

☐ Check that the date of your arrival does not precede the start date of your visa

☐ Check the Russian customs regulations and your airline luggage regulations

☐ Check with your bank the maximum cash amount you can withdraw in Russia

☐ Check how to get to the city from the airport (Aeroexpress trains, taxi) (more details on p. 38)

☐ Check directions to your HSE dormitory or any other place of accommodation

☐ Check the location of your faculty and other HSE buildings (more details on p. 39)

☐ Make sure to have enough battery power on all your devices upon arrival to Moscow
What to take with you

- Valid passport with visa
- Medical insurance and HSE health certificate signed and stamped by a physician to check into the dormitory
- Photocopies to have in your carry-on luggage: passport ID page, passport visa page.
- 4 passport-size (3cm x 4cm) photos on a mat paper
- Contacts of your buddy
- Contacts of SIMO-Student International Mobility Office or your study office
- Contact details for your embassy/consulate/diplomatic mission in Russia
- HSE Acceptance Letter or any other document provided to you by HSE confirming your student status

A few general tips

- Bring enough cash for the first few days. Not all taxis take credit cards; card readers and ATMs may not always work when you need them.
- Before the flight, charge your mobile devices and refill your mobile and Internet accounts in case urgent communication will be needed.
- Bring an adapter if needed: Russian electric outlets take round 2-pin Euro plugs with 220V current.
- If you take any prescription medication, be sure to bring enough of it for the entire duration of your trip, as some medications may be unavailable in Russia, as such or without a local doctor’s prescription.
- Warm clothes and boots, gloves and scarves are always a must. Moscow autumns and winters are often cold and humid.
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Arrival
- Be sure to receive your migration card at the passport control
- Get in touch with your buddy and confirm he/she is meeting you
- Take the Aeroexpress/taxi to the city centre, meet your buddy
  (more details on p.p. 38, 39)
- Take a ride on the Moscow metro and reach your accommodation

At the dormitory
- Check into dormitory, receive your key and a temporary pass card*
- Submit copies of your passport, visa and migration card to the passport
  specialist within 3 days after arrival (more details on p. 14)
- Read the Dormitory Internal Rules (more details on p. 20)
- Sign the Tenancy Agreement

At another accommodation
- Make sure that the apartment owner applies for your registration to a
  local territorial body of the Russian Ministry of Internal Affairs upon HSE’s
  request within 7 days after arrival (more details on p. 14)

At HSE
- Complete all necessary admission procedures, get enrolled
- Attend the Orientation session (more details on p. 39)
- Meet your programme coordinator (full-degree students)
  or mobility coordinator (exchange and visiting students)
- Manage the schedule of your classes
- Get familiar with the location of HSE buildings (more details on p. 39)
- Get familiar with HSE campus life (more details on p. 39)
- Pick up your registration
- Receive your student ID from your coordinator (more details on p. 24)
- Apply for a permanent pass card at the Pass Desk (more details on p. 24)
- Apply for the multiple-entry visa at the Visa and Registration Centre
  (more details on p. 17)

In the city
- Buy a SIM card for your phone (only after obtaining the registration)
  (more details on p. 35)
- Open a bank account (if necessary)
- Apply for a social (transport) card at one of the Multifunctional Centres
  (more details on p. 25)

*Exchange students can get a pass card from coordinator’s office
if they don’t stay at HSE dorm.
Single-entry visa

The visa is initially given to you by a Russian embassy/consulate in your country of residence.

The visa is valid for 90 days only. It lets you enter Russia only once.

To continue your stay in Russia you will have to apply for multiple-entry visa (for more information please see p. 17)

If you leave the country before getting a multiple-entry visa you will not be allowed to enter Russia until you receive another single-entry visa.

**IMPORTANT!** Be prepared to stay in Russia without leaving for the first 3 months after your arrival, until you receive your multiple-entry visa.

Migration card

Keep the migration card that you receive at the passport control on your entrance to Russia. This document has to be presented at the passport control when you leave.

If you lose the card, immediately address the Visa & Registration Centre for instructions on how to receive a new card.

**REMINDER** Every time you enter Russia you will be given a new migration card and you will have to re-apply for registration in the dormitory to a passport officer or to the landlord of the rented apartment. For more information please visit the website of Visa and Registration Centre
Registration

Every international passport holder must be registered within 7 working days after arrival to Russia.

Every time you cross the Russian border you must be registered and get the registration notice:

Registration steps:

If you are staying at a dormitory, after you check in, the passport specialist will make photocopies of your passport (all pages) and migration card and email the scans to the Visa and Registration Centre. If staying in a rented apartment, ask the apartment owner to apply for your registration at a local territorial body of the Russian Ministry of Internal Affairs upon HSE’s request. The list of necessary documents can be found at Visa and Registration Centre website.

1. Your documents are submitted to a local body of the Russian Ministry of Internal Affairs.

2. You pick up your registration in the dormitory or at the landlord of the rented apartment.
**Travelling in Russia**

If you travel in Russia and stay in another city for more than 7 working days, you will need to receive a new registration. The hotel/hostel or a friend you will stay at will have to register you at their address.

After you return to Moscow, you must apply for a new registration again.

**IMPORTANT!** HSE does not sponsor visas for family members or friends. If you intend to have guests visiting you in Russia, their visa and registration arrangements will have to be taken care of independently.

Keep your registration and your migration card with you at all times. Also, carry photocopies of these documents with you just in case.

You can **request to get a copy of your passport** authorized and stamped by the Visa & Registration Centre in order to carry it with you instead of the original. Keep the original passport in a safe place. Address the Head of the Visa & Registration Centre to authorize your copy.

All questions must be addressed to
Visa & Registration Centre
20 Myasnitskaya Ul., office 538
+7 (495) 531 0063
visa-registration@hse.ru
visa.hse.ru/en
Multiple-entry visa

The visa replaces the single entry visa and is issued for the whole period of your studies. It allows you to leave and re-enter Russia as many times as necessary for the duration of your studies.

Multiple-entry visa will be valid straight after the day your single-entry visa expired. Thus, if there is a necessity for you to leave Russia before your single-entry visa expires, you can return to Russia only via obtaining a new invitation and applying for a new single-entry visa in your country of residence.

Apply for a multiple-entry visa no later than 45 days before the single-entry visa expires. If a student submits documents for the multiple-entry visa later than 30 days until the expiry of the current visa, the Visa & Registration Centre will not accept them.

Steps to apply for a multiple-entry visa:

1. Prepare the following documents:
   - passport (+ copy)
   - migration card (+ copy)
   - registration (+ copy)
   - 1 photo 3x4 (against white background)
   - visa extension fee payment (pick up at the Visa & Registration Centre)
   - certificate of enrollment (given by your programme coordinator)
   - copy of your contract (for contract students)
   - letter of referral from the Ministry of education and science (for quota degree students)
   - copy of enrollment order (exchange students)
   - visa application form
2. Submit the documents to the Visa & Registration Centre (Myasnitskaya Ul. 20, office 538) and leave your contacts for future reference.
3. Visa & Registration Centre submits the documents to the Migration Office. Issuance of a multiple-entry visa usually takes 30-45 days.
4. Visa & Registration Centre contacts you by email or phone when your multiple-entry visa is issued.
5. Bring your passport to the Visa & Registration Centre. It will be taken to the Migration Office for the visa to be stamped into the passport.
6. Pick up your passport with the new multiple-entry visa at Visa & Registration Centre.
Dormitory
All international students in need of housing support from HSE are guaranteed a dormitory place for the duration of their study.

Upon check-in you need to submit to the dormitory administration the health certificate signed and stamped by a physician in your country of residence before your departure to Russia. The form can be downloaded on HSE website.

Tenants have 24/7 access to the dormitory. For safety reasons, however, the security usually closes the doors during the night hours, so students need to ring the bell in order to be let in.

Guests are allowed to stay in the dorm until 11 PM only. Visiting relatives and friends are not permitted to reside in the dormitory.

If you reside in the dormitory there are a few simple rules that will help you:

- Carefully read and sign the dormitory Internal Regulations and the Tenancy Agreement
- Pay your rent in time
- Dormitory staff does not speak English so if you need to communicate with the dormitory administration it is recommended doing that through a Russian-speaking friend or buddy

Payment

Rent payment must be made after you check into the dormitory, no later than before the 5th of every month. If you arrive in August, the first payment will also include paying for the remaining days of August.

Check the dormitory fees on HSE website.

Payment steps

- Pick up a payment form at the dormitory administration.
- Fill in your name and pay the amount at a local bank or ask your buddy to help you.
- Submit the payment receipt to the dormitory administration.
Internal regulations

Students read and sign the dormitory internal regulations upon check-in and are required to follow them at all times.

☐ Respect other residents and dormitory staff.
☐ Keep your room neat and clean.
☐ Dispose of your trash in designated areas.
☐ Cook only in designated kitchens on the floors.
☐ Follow the fire safety rules.
☐ Avoid using electrical appliances (stoves, boilers, irons, etc.) in your room.
☐ Avoid loud noises and keep your music to a moderate volume at all times.
☐ Receive authorization from the dormitory administration before arranging parties and gatherings.
☐ Smoking, alcohol, drugs are not permitted on the premises.
☐ Do not bring pets into the dormitory.
☐ Noise is not allowed from 11 PM to 7 AM.

Rooms

Students’ bedrooms are shared, arranged on the basis of double occupancy.

Each room is equipped with:

• free Internet access
• desks
• bookshelves
• a closet
• single beds
• mattresses, blankets and pillows
• bed linen and towels

Residents are asked to purchase their own cutlery and kitchen utensils, laundry detergents, shampoo, and shower gels.

Everything provided in the room is the property of the University, and students will have to pay if damage and loss occur.

Non-residents are not permitted to stay in the dormitory past 11 PM.
Facilities

- Shower rooms and bathrooms (men’s and women's) are located on each floor. The dormitory staff cleans them every day.
- Laundry rooms can be used 24/7.
- Ironing equipment can be requested at the floor administrator’s.
- Kitchens are located on each floor and are open 24/7. In some dormitories there are also dining rooms.
- Study rooms and gyms are also available.

Medical Emergency

If you have a medical emergency – immediately address the dormitory administration to call “112” (mobile) or “103” (landline) for the ambulance. Emergency medical assistance is free for everyone in Russia.
Medical Insurance
All international students are recommended to purchase health insurance before arriving in Russia. The insurance plan must be valid in Russia. You may require medical treatment and doctor’s appointments, tests and diagnostic procedures, even a simple health certificate to be allowed to a swimming pool – for all that medical insurance is mandatory.

**Check that your insurance plans contains:**

- Insurance card
- Insurance plan details (medical services to which you are entitled)
- Payment or reimbursement details
- Emergency contacts
- List of hospitals or medical centres where you can get medical assistance in Russia

Students can also purchase medical insurance in Russia, from an HSE partner insurance companies. Check **Office of Staff and Student Benefits** website for more information.

Keep in mind that American Medical Center and European Medical Center in Moscow cooperate with many international insurance companies, including BUPA International, Allianz WorldWide Care, and CIGNA International. They can also provide treatment by English-speaking personnel.

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**American Medical Center**

**Address:**

129090 Moscow
Prospekt Mira 26, build. 6 (entrance from Grokholsky Pereulok)

**Phone:** +7 (495) 933-77-00

**E-mail:** reception.amc@medsigroup.ru

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**European Medical Center**

**Address:**

123104, Moscow, Russia
Spiridonievsky pereulok 5, bld.1

**Phone:**

+7 (495) 933-66-55 - multiline
+7 (495) 933-66-45 - emergency

**E-mail:** emcinfo@emcmos.ru
Students Documents and Cards
A Student ID card is an official document certifying that you are an HSE student. Exchange and visiting students receive their student ID from SIMO-Student International Mobility Office after receiving a notification via email. Full-degree students receive their student ID from their programme manager after they are officially enrolled.

A student ID allows students to apply for a student social (transport) card which offers a significant discount on public transport in Moscow. A student ID card offers discounted admission into some museums, theatres, cinemas, clubs, exhibition centres, and zoos. The student ID also allows for seasonal discounted purchase of railway tickets. On special occasions, some shops and cafes also offer certain discounts to students.

A pass card allows entry into all HSE buildings. All international students who live in a dormitory get a temporary pass card upon check in.

Exchange and visiting students who rent an apartment can receive their temporary pass card at SIMO-Student International Mobility Office. Full-degree students who live in a private accommodation do not receive a temporary pass card, only the permanent one.

All enrolled international students must apply for a permanent student pass card after they receive their student ID. It can be done at the Pass Desk. Have your passport and Student ID with you.
Social card (transport card)

Student Social Card is used as a transport card and allows students to take public transport in Moscow (metro, buses, trams, trolleybuses) at a lower price.

Enrolled students can start applying for the social card after receiving an email notification from their programme coordinators. Check HSE website to learn about the social card application procedure.

**Be aware that after you submit your social card application you will have to wait for at least 1 month until the card is issued.**

The social card must be activated and then refilled every month, separately for the metro (at a metro cashier’s) and the ground public transport (in grey transport tickets kiosks or self-service ticket machines at the bus stops).
Library

HSE library comprises over 700,000 items on Economics and Management, Social and Political Science, etc., most of which are recent works by Russian and foreign scholars. The Library’s eight branches in different parts of Moscow are open to international students.

The main library branch is located at 3a Krivokolenny pereulok (metro stations Lubyanka, Chistiye Prudy, Turgenevskaya).

**Library hours (reading halls and delivery desks)**

- **Monday-Friday:** 10 AM - 9 PM
- **Saturday:** 10 AM - 6 PM
- **Sunday:** closed

**Library card**

Exchange and visiting students: you can receive your library card during the library tours organized during the orientation session.

Full degree students: after you receive your student ID, you can pick up your library card at the main HSE library within the designated visiting hours.

**Access to remote e-resources**

You may receive access to remote HSE electronic resources by following the General Procedures for Obtaining Remote Access on the library website.

**Library etiquette**

- Leave your bags in the checkroom
- Keep quiet
- Do not talk on the cell phone in the reading halls, switch the sound off
- No food or drinks are allowed in the library

For more information, please check HSE Library website.
Russian as a foreign language

International students can attend classes in Russian as a foreign language at all levels during their studies at HSE, for free or for a fee. Before the classes all international students are required to take an entrance test and get enrolled into courses according to their test results.

Language courses are offered to the whole set of levels - from Beginner to Advanced, along with a wide selection of elective courses. Studying in small groups, students will develop their reading, writing, and speaking skills through a unique combination of academic instruction, conversational practice with native speakers, and the latest technologies in language instruction.

A standard intensive course lasts one semester (two modules): it is comprised of 9 academic hours each week and is worth a total of 6 ECTS credits. Students can opt to complete only one module to earn 3 ECTS credits. Other options are also available.

Contacts

E-mail: oeremina@hse.ru
Olga Eremina, Director of the Centre

Address: 21/4 Staraya Basmannaya, office 514
(metro Kurskaya, Krasnye Vorota)

Office hours: Monday: 3 PM – 6 PM
Wednesday: 10 AM – 5 PM
Thursday: 3 PM – 6 PM

Website: hse.ru/en/rfl
Career guidance

International full-degree students holding a student visa are allowed to work part-time in Russia, on and off campus.

A student interested in getting a part-time job off campus during their studies must first apply for a work permit.

Note: if you work in Russia, a 30% tax will be applied to your salary until you stay for a total of 183 days within the last 12 months. After your stay in Russia exceeds 183 days, the tax rate will decrease to 13%.

For advice on career and job opportunities at the HSE and beyond, check HSE Career Development Centre website.

Address: Myasnitskaya Ul., 18, office 310 (metro Lubyanka, Chistye Prudy, Turgenevskaya)

Phone: +7 (495) 621-77-92

Office hours: Monday to Friday: 10 AM – 6 PM
Psychological counselling

International students often encounter difficulties while adapting to the new environment and having to deal with culture shock, language barriers, and homesickness all at once. HSE Psychological Counseling Centre is always there to provide the students with professional help: anonymously, individually or in groups.

Consultations for students are free of charge.

Check the Centre’s website for more details.

Contacts:

Address: Vavilova 7, room 1005 (metro Leninsky Prospekt)

Office hours: Monday – Friday, 9 AM – 9 PM

E-mail: cpkhse@yandex.ru

Website: hse.ru/en/cpc
**Safety**

HSE is focused on providing for a safe and secure living and studying environment to its students. Students are required to follow the safety procedures and abide by the code of conduct.

We recommend getting a closer look at Safety and Code of Conduct section at HSE website to check the existing safety and security regulations, internal rules and guidelines.

**On campus**

During office hours, any emergency can be directed to the SIMO-Student International Mobility Office:

Myasnitskaya Ul., 11, office 301

Phone: +7 (495) 772 9590, ext. 12464, 12466, 12467, 12774

All HSE buildings are equipped with:

- security guard posts (so remember to carry your e-pass and student ID with you at all times)
- first aid medical kits (check the list of their locations on Safety and Code of Conduct section at HSE website)
Off campus

- Off the International SIMO-Student International Mobility Office hours, in case of emergency either address the dormitory administration or the police directly.

Follow basic precautions that would apply to living in any big city:

- Always have a copy of your passport with visa, and the original registration on you
- Watch out for pickpockets in crowded places
- Keep an eye on your luggage while travelling
- Store your valuables (money, credit cards) in a wallet in zipped pockets (on clothes or in a bag)
- Always know how you will get home late at night (the time of the last train/bus or the telephone number of a reputable taxi service)
- Do not react to verbal abuse/invitations
- Do not stay late at night in an isolated place with people you do not know

UNIVERSAL EMERGENCY NUMBER FOR MOBILE PHONES – 112
Communications
Mobile

You can use your own mobile phone number if your provider has a roaming agreement with a Russian mobile company. However, to avoid roaming charges, you can purchase a Russian SIM card from one of the stores operated by the top three nationwide mobile phone service providers in Russia:

Beeline
www.beeline.ru

MegaFon
english.megafon.ru

MTS Mobile
en.mts.ru

All of them offer reasonably priced plans for the customer’s needs and convenience.

You will need to bring your passport to the store to register your local SIM card. If you are accompanied by a buddy it would be easier to explain yourself at the store.

Internet

Nearly all HSE buildings offer free WiFi access.

login: hseguest password: hsepassword

Dormitories also have either free WiFi and/or wired internet access.
Public Transport
Metro

The Moscow metro is efficient, fast and easy to use. However, only few stations still have signs translated to English and/or wheelchair accessible. All metro lines have their own colour. All radial lines intersect the brown ring line. Metro entrances are marked with a large red letter “M”.

Students can use their social (transport) card to use the metro at a lower price. Other fares and tickets are also available at metro cashiers.

The metro is open from 6 AM to 1 AM.

Be sure to follow the metro safety guidelines:

• Do keep an eye on your belongings and pockets, especially in crowded areas.

• On escalators: stand on the right side, pass up or down on the left side holding the handrail; stand behind the protective strip. Never sit or place objects on the stairs of escalators, do not run along them or enter an idle escalator.

• On platforms: stand away from the platform edge until the train stops completely, and after it stops, clear the space at the coach doors to let passengers depart. Never descend onto the metro tracks or put items on them.

• In coaches: do not lean against the doors, or open them while moving, allow passengers to enter and exit the train. Do not use the “passenger – driver” intercom system unless necessary. Never place luggage on seats. Always hold the handrail while in a moving train coach.

For further information (including fares), please visit mosmetro.ru
Ground public transport

Moscow’s public ground transportation includes buses, trolley buses, and trams. Students can use their transport card on all types of public transport. If needed, you can also purchase tickets from drivers or in kiosks near the stops. Uniform passes are also available for purchase in metro stations.

Ground transport operates from 5.30 AM until 1 AM. There are a few night routes. Always enter the bus, trolleybus or tram through the front door near the driver. Validate your ticket or card at the automatic pass control validator and proceed inside.

Bus stops are marked by yellow plates marked with “A” signs, trolley stops – white plates with “T”, and tram stops – white plates with “Tp”.

For further information (including fares) check mosgortrans.ru.

Taxi

We highly recommend that you use official registered taxi services. While there are illegal taxis in Moscow that offer a cheaper alternative, we strongly advise against using them, as they may be unsafe. Hitchhiking is not recommended either.

Uber is also available in Moscow. Another useful apps are Gett Taxi and Yandex.Taxi.

Aeroexpress Trains

Aeroexpress provides rail services between the capital and all of the major Moscow airports:

- Vnukovo (via the Kiyevsky railway station)
- Domodedovo (via the Paveletsky railway station)
- Sheremetyevo (via the Belorussky railway station)

Aeroexpress is a quick and safe way to reach the airport without having to deal with traffic jams.

Tickets are available at the stations as well as on the Aeroexpress website: aeroexpress.ru/en
ERASMUS STUDENT NETWORK

ESN buddies are Russian-speaking HSE students that are happy to offer assistance to all non-Russian-speaking international students at HSE. A buddy can give you advice about student life, help with language barriers around the city, as well as become a good friend you may want to stay in touch with long after you finish your studies at HSE.

If you need buddy support you can request a buddy at International Student Support website.

ORIENTATION

All international students are recommended to attend the Orientation session in order to learn a lot of vital information about living and studying in Russia and better integrate into the HSE student life.

Check International Student Support website for the schedule and events of the Orientation.

CAMPUS

We recommend checking the HSE buildings website in order to get familiar with the map and locations of the campus buildings, dormitories, canteens and other facilities.
Congratulations on your acceptance to the Higher School of Economics!

The International Students Support and the whole Office of Internationalization, within which it operates, wish you many engaging experiences and fruitful discoveries alongside your professional path in HSE and also on your cultural journey around Moscow and Russia.

In order to learn more about the HSE facilities and services, as well as the student life and events, we recommend exploring our online resources:

Websites
- istudents.hse.ru
- hse.ru/en
- iai.hse.ru

Facebook
- facebook.com/groups/hse.international.students

Email
- international.study@hse.ru

Welcome to the HSE Family!