# Federal State Budgetary Educational Institution of Higher Education «Stavropol State Agrarian University»

## **Preparatory courses for foreign students**

**Stavropol State Agrarian University** is a leading Russian center of higher education, culture and science, which is carrying out educational, scientific research, consulting and methodical activity. It is a state institution of higher education under federal jurisdiction, which is located in the North Caucasus Federal District, Stavropol, the Russian Federation. It was established in 1930.

Nowadays there are 9 faculties, 41 academic departments, 83 innovative laboratories and centers, Scientific library, institute of additional professional education (IAPE), 5 dormitories, 2 sports complexes, horse-riding school, 3 plant houses, 2 vivaria.

Property of the university includes 119 objects of real estate with total area of 158.3 thousand square meters, 18 land plots with total area of 9609.6 hectares as part of educational and experimental farm, which is equipped with modern agricultural machinery.

It is a temporary home for more then 15 500 enrolled students (37 nationalities), who are taught in 104 higher education programs (undergraduate, graduate, specialties, post-graduate). 91.3% of staff members have an academic degree, including 21.6% doctors of sciences.

41 scientific schools under 11 departments are making enquiry at university research teams, which include 56 complex issues.

The university has 66 partner countries, 136 strategic partners. Stavropol State Agrarian University is a member of the Great Charter of Universities, a member of the European Association of Natural Sciences Universities, AGRIMBA member of the European Association of Natural Sciences Universities (ICA).

Since 2005 the Stavropol State Agrarian University has been taking the top three places of the annual ranking among leading agricultural universities, organized by the Ministry of Agriculture of the Russian Federation. In 2016 according to one of the largest international news agencies MIA "Russia Today" Stavropol SAU is in the ranking of the most in-demand Russian higher educational institutions, it is steadily taking the 1st place in the category "Agricultural universities." More over on the results of the annual ranking of universities of Russian and International rating agency RAEX ("Expert RA") Stavropol State Agrarian University is one and only agricultural university in Russia and the only institution of higher education in the

North Caucasian Federal District which was in the top 100 in the prestigious national ranking.

Stavropol State Agrarian University is holder of prestigious awards in the field of quality:

Three times winner of the European competition of EFQM Award Excellence (2016, 2013, 2010),

Twice laureate of the RF Government Prize in the field of quality (2011, 2005) The winner of the 3 rd. and 7 th International tournament on Central and

Eastern Europe countries quality level (2011, 2007.).

Winner of CIS competition in the field of product and service quality (2007).

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## **About preparatory courses for foreigners**

One of the advantages of getting higher education at the Stavropol State Agrarian University is that You can study at the university without knowing Russian language at first time. To do this, before the main course of undergraduate or graduate study, one should go through an annual program of study at the preparatory department for foreigners.

Here you can study Russian preparatory intensive program in order to study in Russian later on.

In addition, students of the preparatory department study some general subjects (mathematics, physics, biology, etc.), which they need to pass exams for the chosen specialty.

The purpose of the preparatory department for foreign citizens is to promote the University's integration into the educational world community.

## Aims of Preparatory department for foreigners:

Ensuring the foreign listeners' compliance with the level of knowledge and skills needed for further development of vocational training programs in Russian.

At the end of the training, there is a realization of final test in accordance with the relevant regulatory content with issuing the document of completion (certificate).

Control over the studying fulfilment in the framework of the Russian Federation legislation and acts of the Stavropol State Agrarian University.

Helping foreigners to adapt to the new linguistic and cultural environment.

Introduction to the national customs, traditions and everyday life realities in Russia as well as promoting their adequate understanding and perception.

Thus, studying at the preparatory department will help to

-study language in the scope which is accepted as providing evidence of Russian language proficiency for entry to our university or any other educational institutions;

- obtain a certificate confirming proficiency in Russian language;
- receive training in main subjects;
- be acquainted with Russian traditions, adapt to new conditions of life.

On completion of the course, exams and tests "Russian as a foreign language" are conducted. The state certificate about the level of proficiency in Russian (at least B1) and the certificate of preliminary training completion are issued according to the results.

## **Support of international students**

The University provides a programme of international student orientation, which allow their smooth adaptation in the city and at the University.

All the incoming students are met at the city airport or the railway station, offered assistance in settling into the dormitories, obtaining an insurance and all the necessary migration documents as well as in getting access to internet connection, purchasing SIM, opening a bank account, etc.

Students are supervised by their tutors, managers and representatives from the student counselling in wide range of questions. The University organizes tours around the city and the region.

## **Campus life**

International students are accommodated in double rooms at the new dormitory in the city center. All rooms are equipped with all the staff necessary for comfort living (beds, desks, wardrobes, fridges, TV sets). There is a kitchen on each floor.

The dormitories also host different student clubs, gyms, canteens and cafes. All the buildings at the University campus are under twenty-four-hour guarding.

## Leisure and sports activities

All the students can do sport in the gyms, sport grounds and at the stadium in the campus.

Each month several sport events (football, volleyball, basketball, darts, badminton, chess, etc.) are held at the University.

#### **Course duration**

The Preparatory course is organized according to a classical (8-month) academic programme. The main goal of the programme is to use the University's educational resources in a best way.

The studies start on November 1st; in January there is a week of vacation.

Students are enrolled throughout the year.

The greater part of the course is given over to a Russian language with a particular focus on scientific style. The rest studies are offered according to an educational profile chosen.

The studies last for 4-8 academic hours per day, 5-6 days per week (1 academic hour is equal to 45 minutes). Russian language is taught in groups for 8-10 persons, groups for basic subjects comprise 16-20 persons.

The tuition fee for 2016/2017 academic year is 75 thousand rubles. The fee is to be paid entirely before the start of the course. In special circumstances term payment may be allowed.

Please note that the tuition fee includes only educational services. Other services such as insurance, accommodation, etc. are paid additionally.

# **Additional charges**

Medical insurance – 5 000 rubles

Costs for document legalization – up to 12 000 rubles

Costs for document translation and notarial services ~ 5 000 rubles

Study materials ~ 5 000 rubles.

#### **Enrollment Requirements**

#### **Invitation letter**

- 1. In order to apply for an invitation letter an international prospective student should send a filled in application form, a scanned copy of his passport (a front page with a photo and information on the date of the issue and the date of expiry), a scanned copy of the last diploma for preliminary assessment.
- 2. Upon receiving a reply informing that an invitation letter is processed it is necessary to legalize diploma (nostrification/apostilization) according to established procedure.
- 3. Upon receiving an invitation letter an applicant should turn to an Embassy of the Russian Federation for visa procedure.
  - 4. Required documents:
  - passport and its copy
- original diploma and its verified copy (the document should be legalized if necessary)
  - -migration card and its copy;
  - medical certificate (HIV, blood microrecipitation reaction MP, chest X-ray);
  - 6 '3/4' matte photos.

## Learning agreement

Following documents are needed for learning agreement:

- -passport and its copy;
- -original educational certificate and its attested copy (documents are to be legalized if needed);
- -medical certificate (HIV, blood microprecipitation reaction (MP), chest X-ray);
  - -a letter of acceptance;
  - -assignment application.

## **Migration registration**

According to the current migration legislation, on arrival to the Russian Federation every foreign citizen or person out of citizenship is obliged to register within three days at the place of residence. To do this, one should come to a preparatory department.

For arrival registration, one should have:

- -passport and its copy;
- -migration card and its copy;
- –copy of educational contract;

## Obtaining of medical clearance of access

After the conclusion of the educational contract, foreign students should obtain medical clearance.

In order to do this one should:

Have medical certificate (HIV, blood micro precipitation reaction (MP), chest X-ray);

Sign a voluntary health insurance contract for full medical examination within 5-7 days in accordance with the requirements of the law

## **Program**

- **35.03.06 Agroengineering**, Bachelor degree, profile "Technical systems in agribusiness", "Technical service in agribusiness", "Technical equipment for storage and processing of agricultural products", "Electrical equipment and electrical technologies in agriculture". Mode of study: intramural, extramural.
- **35.03.04 Agronomy**, Bachelor degree, profiles "Agronomy", "Plant Protection", "Horticulture". Mode of study: intramural, extramural.
- **38.03.05 Business informatics**, Bachelor degree, profile: "Enterprise architecture". Mode of study: intramural, part-time, extramural.
- **36.03.01 Veterinary and sanitary expertise**, Bachelor degree, profile "Veterinary and sanitary expertise of food products"
- **36.05.01 Veterinary medicine**, Specialist degree, "Veterinary surgeon" profile "Biotechnology of veterinary preparations", "Diseases in small domestic and exotic animals". Mode of study: intramural, part-time, extramural.
- **38.03.04 State and municipal management**, Bachelor degree. Mode of study: intramural, extramural.
- **21.03.02 Land management and cadasters**, Bachelor degree, profiles "Land management", "Urban cadaster", "Land assessment and monitoring", "Real estate cadaster". Mode of study: intramural, part-time, extramural.
- **36.03.02 Animal husbandry**, Bachelor degree. Mode of study: intramural, extramural.
- **09.03.02 Information systems and technologies**. Bachelor degree. Mode of study: intramural, part-time, extramural.
- **35.03.10 Landscape architecture**. Bachelor degree. Profile "Landscape gardening". Mode of study: intramural, extramural.
- **38.03.02 Management**. Bachelor degree. profiles: "Production management", "Human resource management", "Small business management". Mode of study: intramural, extramural.

- **43.03.01 Hospitality**. Bachelor degree. "Hospitality in hotel, restaurant and entertainment industries". Mode of study: intramural, extramural.
- **19.03.04 Catering practice and provision**. Bachelor degree. Mode of study: extramural.
- **35.03.07 Processing and production technology of agricultural products**. Bachelor degree. Mode of study: intramural, extramural.
- **38.03.06 Trade Science**. Bachelor degree. profile "Commerce". Mode of study: intramural, extramural.
- **43.03.02 Tourism**. Bachelor degree. Profile "Tour operator and tour agency activities". Mode of study: intramural, part-time, extramural.

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