



Dear prospective students,

This information letter contains some useful information about the procedure of application to MiBA program at Saint Petersburg State University of Economics (UNECON).

List of available courses

The list of available courses will be provided by coordinator later via e-mail

Deadlines and application package

Application deadline for spring semester is November, 15

Application deadline for fall semester is May, 15

Application documents are the following:

- Scanned copy of your international passport (ID page)

For Russian visa processing, your passport should be valid within at least 18 months after semester starts, e. g. for fall semester 2021-2022 it should be valid until 01.02.2023! See details here https://russia-visacentre.com/de/visa/germany/russia/visa-types/student-visa#erforderliche-unterlagen

- Scanned copy of your bachelor's degree certificate
- Motivation letter
- CV
- Transcript of Records

Application package is to be sent via e-mail miba@unecon.ru.

Apart from sending the application package by e-mail we kindly ask you to fill out the online application and learning agreement here https://en.unecon.ru/admission/exchange

<u>Semester dates</u>

Fall Semester: 01.09.2021-31.01.2022

Spring Semester: 01.02.2022-30.06.2022

Visa and migration issues

Please refer to the Embassy or Consulate of Russian Federation in Germany to find out the updates regarding re-opening of the Russian border and visa application issues. See details here https://russische-botschaft.ru/de/







International students outside CIS countries, wishing to come to Russia to study need a "Study Visa" – an entry visa that states "education" as the purpose of entry and specifies the institution of study.

As soon as UNECON coordinator (miba@unecon.ru) receive all the documents they initiate an Invitation application procedure. This may take up to 6 weeks. When invitations are issued by the Ministry of Internal Affairs (Migration Office), students will be sent a scanned copy via e-mail and the hard copy by post. After that students may start applying for a study visa. Please refer to the local Russian Embassy (Consulate) for the documents requirements.

Students should apply for a study visa in the Russian Embassy (Consulates) or authorized visa centers only. Thus to apply for a visa it's necessary to find the nearest city with one of these institutions and make an appointment there.

Visa extension

Invitations are going to be proceeded for a single entry visa. When arrived to Saint-Petersburg coordinators of UNECON will collect the necessary documents within 2 months after arrival and apply for a multiple entry visa valid throughout the entire study period. Thus, after arriving to SPb students won't have an opportunity to leave the country during some time until they get the multiple visa. Multiple visa issuing may take up to 5 weeks.

Application package for visa extension is the following:

- 1. Original international passport
- 2. Migration card
- 3. Registration voucher
- 4. 2 photos 3*4cm
- 5. 2400 RUR
- 6. HIV-test certificate (valid within 3 months)
- 7. Insurance policy covering the entire period of study

Registration rules

Registration is obligatory in Russia for every person. Coordinator of UNECON (miba@unecon.ru) and the International Department assist students with registration.

Accommodation

While applying students have to inform UNECON coordinator (miba@unecon.ru) about accommodation preferences. All information is available here http://en.unecon.ru/accommodation/exchange-students-freemovers







COVID-2019

According to St. Petersburg government's official corona measures everyone is required to use masks in public places. Masks are required when visiting shops and markets, museums, railway stations, airports, public transport stations, as well as in all types of public transport, including taxis. The administrative fine for not wearing a mask is 4000 RUR.

<u>Flight</u>

When buying an airplane ticket it is important to buy <u>a direct flight</u>, without layovers in any other countries. The country of departure must be the same as the citizenship or the residence permit (e.g. If you have Finnish citizenship you must take a flight to Russia in Finland). It is allowed to cross Russian border only at the airports.

PCR-tests

Before coming to Russia all foreign students must be <u>tested for COVID-19 (PCR-test)</u>. The test must be taken no earlier than 3 days before the flight. There is a possibility that your country customs or Russian customs will ask for the certificate with a negative Covid-19 result. The certificate should be issued in English or Russian.

Within 3 days after arriving in Russia foreign students have to take <u>another PCR test.</u> They can do it in the Pulkovo airport or at Helix clinic. https://helix.ru

Dormitory

All foreign students <u>need to quarantine in the dorm</u> till they receive the negative result of the test. Students will stay at the campus, in the dormitory, in single rooms with separated bathrooms.

If one of the students living in the university's dormitory gets COVID-19, the entire dormitory will be automatically quarantined for two weeks without the right to leave the premises.

Illness

In case of any health problems a student has to contact International Department of UNECON or International School of Economics and Politics.

A student can call Euromed clinic.

This is a medical service with English-speaking staff: 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. https://euromed.clinic/ Tel. number: +7-812-327-03-01

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact miba@unecon.ru.

We are looking forward to see you in St. Petersburg!

