



**National Research University -  
Higher School of Economics**

**LEARNING FOR LIFE**



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NATIONAL RESEARCH  
UNIVERSITY

**The spirit of freedom is strong in our university.  
We feel the need for permanent growth.  
There are no ceilings to our success.  
It's the path we have chosen.**

*Yaroslav Kuzminov, Rector*

# GENERAL INFORMATION AND KEY FACTS

**National Research University - Higher School of Economics (HSE) is the largest center for socioeconomic research and education in Eastern Europe aiming to become a world-class research university.**

Having started as the school of economics, HSE gradually expanded education and research into the areas of sociology, business, philosophy, political science and international relations, mathematics, Asian studies, journalism, engineering, and others, that are all guided by the principles of economic science.

Operates in **Moscow** (main campus), **Nizhny Novgorod**,  
**Perm**, and **Saint Petersburg**

**50**

faculties and schools

**4,100**

teachers and researchers

**14**

international laboratories

**49**

research centers

Over **17,000** full-time students

International students

from more than **50** countries

Around **€ 300 million**  
in annual revenue



**I support all our values. We live not for study but for life, and our mission is to transmit the best knowledge to our students.**

**We want to join the group of top international universities and offer Russian citizens an excellent education.**

*Evgeniy Yasin, HSE Academic Supervisor*



HSE first came into being in September 1992 in response to the challenges of the new political and economic situation in Russia. In its first 20 years, the spirit of Liberty, Transparency and Innovation has guided the university in pursuing its mission to promote the country's economic and social reforms through:

Education of the new generation of researchers and professionals;

Production and dissemination of modern economic knowledge among government, business community and the public.

## Why choose HSE:

- liberal, innovative, dynamic and transparent
- high standards of education and world class research
- a national intellectual and innovation hub
- leading socioeconomic think tank

## Rated among the best in Russia:

- highest average score of the entrance exam
- largest master's enrollment
- graduates' employability
- international faculty engagement

## Highly valued:

- Internet access
- electronic library resources
- residence halls
- international environment

# HSE LEADERSHIP



**Yaroslav I. Kuzminov,**  
*Rector of HSE*



**Evgeniy G. Yasin,**  
*Academic Supervisor of HSE,  
Minister of Economy of the Russian  
Federation (1994 - 1997)*



**Alexander N. Shokhin,**  
*President of HSE,  
President of the Russian Union of Industrialists  
and Entrepreneurs, Vice-Prime Minister of the  
Russian Federation (1991 - 1994)*



**Alexander D. Zhukov,**  
*Chairman of the HSE Supervisory  
Council, First Deputy Chairman  
of the State Duma*



**German Gref,**  
*Chairman of the HSE Board of Trustees,  
President and Chairman of the Board  
of Sberbank of Russia*



**Sergey S. Sobyenin,**  
*Chairman of the HSE Program of  
Development Supervisory Council,  
Mayor of the City of Moscow*



**Eric S. Maskin,**  
*Chairman of the HSE International Advisory  
Council, Adams University Professor at Harvard,  
Nobel Memorial Prize in Economics (2007)*



# EDUCATION

Higher School of Economics provides an enabling and inspiring environment to students with different academic aspirations. An HSE degree is a guarantee of a world-class education and outstanding learning outcomes. HSE students are confident they have in-depth theoretical background and practical knowledge that will make them successful professionals and responsible global citizens.

Leading economists and politicians from the government are invited to teach at the university. All ministers of economy and finance were professors at HSE bringing the vision of real-world problems into the classrooms and research groups.

## HSE Innovative curricula and pedagogical features

- **extended fundamental teaching of mathematics, philosophy, economics, sociology, and law**
- **a system of research and study laboratories to help students develop practical skills needed for productive research and analytical work**
- **monitoring of students' work on the basis of written tests and utilization of anti plagiarism system to ensure academic integrity**



## FIELDS OF STUDY

### Economics and Management

- Economics and Finance
- Statistics, Data Analysis and Demography
- Management
- Logistics
- Urban Studies and Spatial Planning
- Public Administration
- World Economy

### Social Sciences and Humanities

- Sociology
- Law
- Psychology
- Philology
- Political Science and International Affairs
- History
- Media and Communications
- Philosophy
- Asian Studies
- Cultural Studies
- Design

### Mathematics, Informatics, Engineering

- Business Informatics
- Applied Mathematics
- Software Engineering
- Computing Science
- Electronics and Telecommunications
- Mathematics





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# EDUCATION

## Bachelor's degree programs

A four-year bachelor's degree program equips all students with strong background in economics and management notwithstanding the specialization. A student of any discipline will obtain analytical and research competence and can choose optional courses from a variety of social sciences and humanities.

## Master's degree programs

HSE offers two-year master's programs across all areas of studies. Students pursue this academic degree with an individual study plan and extensive support from tutors.

## Doctoral programs

Highly competitive HSE doctoral programs conform to international standards providing tailor-made training and wide-ranging research opportunities including long-term internships with foreign partner institutions. Joint PhD programs and Cotutelle are available for outstanding doctoral students.

## Continuing education

There is a whole world of continuing education courses and programs offered at HSE to professionals. These courses are tailored to career aspirations and strategic human resources development goals of client organizations. HSE serves as a knowledge and resource hub for other Russian universities and for many businesses organizing a range of short-term courses and running a number of MBA, DBA, EMBA, MPA programs in management, finance, marketing, journalism, law, communications, and business informatics.

## Summer schools

HSE is renowned for having a long list of thought-provoking and inspiring international and Russia-wide summer programs led by distinguished scholars and practitioners. Undergraduate, graduate and postgraduate students get together to discuss the issues of entrepreneurship, emerging markets, innovation management, institutional economics, labor economics, social networks, intellectual capital, medieval history, human rights, Russian studies, and many other exciting themes.

## MBA programs

- Strategic Management
- Fashion Industry Strategic Management
- Pharmaceutical Management
- Real Estate Management and Development
- Logistics and Supply Chain Management
- Project Management
- Finances and Banks
- Investment Management
- Finances
- Business Informatics
- Political and Business Communications
- Sales and Marketing

## DOUBLE DEGREE PROGRAMS

HSE provides 30 double degree programs with 23 leading universities across the globe. These programs are highly selective but rewarding. They are the result of a long-term academic collaboration between HSE and partner institution faculty members.

USA



**George Mason University**  
Master's Programs in Economics and  
Philosophy

LUXEMBOURG



**University of Luxembourg**  
Master's program in Law

ITALY



**University of Bologna**  
Master's program in Economics

CANADA



**Laval University**  
Master's program in Management

CHINA

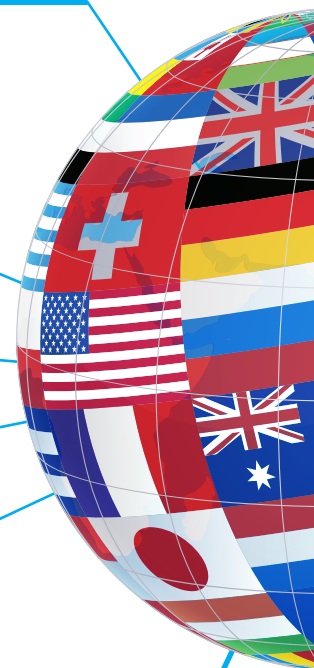


**City University of Hong Kong**  
Master's program in Sociopolitical  
Development and Challenges  
of Modern East Asia

GERMANY



**Humboldt University of Berlin**  
Master's program in Economics  
**Westphalian Wilhelms-University Muenster**  
Master's program in Information Systems





## FRANCE



**Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne University**  
Master's programs in Finance, Law and Economics;  
PhD program in Economics

**Paris Ouest University Nanterre La Défense**  
Master's programs in Economics and Sociology

**Paris XII Val de Marne University**  
Master's program in Management

**Paul Cézanne University Aix-Marseille III**  
Master's programs in Public Administration and Management,  
and Economics and Health Care

**ESCP Europe, Paris**  
Master's program in Management

## THE NETHERLANDS



**Duisenberg School of Finance**  
Master's Program in Law and Finance

**Eindhoven University of Technology**  
Master's program in Computer Science and Engineering

**Erasmus University Rotterdam**  
Master's program in Economics

## GREAT BRITAIN



**London School of Economics  
and Political Science**  
Bachelor's program in Economics

**Lancaster University  
Management School**  
Master's Programs in E-Business  
& Innovation, and Management

**University of Leeds**  
Master's program in Management

**University of Kent**  
Master's program in International  
Relations

**London Metropolitan University**  
Master's program in Public  
Administration

**University of Birmingham**  
Master's program in Public  
Administration

**Warwick Business School ,  
University of Warwick**  
Master's program in Management

**University College London**  
International Master's program  
in Economy, State and Society

## Key research areas

Economic policy monitoring, modeling and tools • Institutional analysis and modeling of reforms • Economic and sociological analysis of enterprises and markets • Socioeconomic statistics • Research on science, technology and innovation; technology and innovation policy • Forecasting technical, innovative and socioeconomic development (Foresight) • Building technological platforms and programs to develop innovation • Demographics, labor market and social processes • Economics and education administration • Regulation of natural monopolies • Economics and management of energy industry and public utilities • Transport and logistics • Regional studies • Urban studies • Management of natural resources and environmental policy • Institutional design of executive government agencies and electronic government • Development of civil service • Development of local self-governance and organization of municipal government • Public-private partnership • Network forms of business organization • Social organization and corporate management of human resources • Managing innovation in companies, research and education institutions, and regional administration • Economic sociology • Socio-cultural studies • Information services in economics and management • Software engineering • Semantic technologies in socioeconomic processes • Literary studies • Linguistics • Philosophy • History • Political process research • Climate policy: international and national aspects • Actuary studies

## RESEARCH

HSE's institutional priorities include the development and support of fundamental and applied research and making the university a global leader among research universities. On the Russian landscape, the Higher School of Economics is the only national research university specializing in social and economic science.

In economics and sociology, and all other areas, HSE research is interdisciplinary by nature. HSE is continuously investing its own resources in large-scale integrated studies and individual research projects.

These efforts resulted in sustaining operation of 14 international laboratories and 49 research centers. Research provides the academic programs with the latest data to deliver excellence in HSE education.

## Research fields

- Economics
- Public Administration
- Management
- Sociology
- Law
- Mathematics
- Computer Science
- Engineering
- Humanities

# HSE international research partners

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**World Bank**

**European Commission**

**Eurostat**

**United Nations**

**UNESCO**

**UNIDO**

**OECD**

**Stanford University**

**Harriman Institute of Columbia  
University**

**U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum**

**Woodrow Wilson Center**

**IC<sup>2</sup> Institute at the University of  
Texas at Austin**

**University of North Carolina  
at Chapel Hill**

**Manchester University**

**European Research Center  
for Information Systems**

**World Wide Web  
Consortium**



Beyond carrying out integrated applied and fundamental research, HSE has developed and introduced a system of innovative monitoring studies. Over 10 large-scale monitoring studies are conducted annually including household surveys, monitoring of enterprises and innovative activities, economic trends in healthcare and education, and empirical studies of civil society development.

**HSE regularly provides a platform for open and unbiased discussion of economic, social, and political issues.**



HSE's annual international conference on modernizing the economy (known as the April Conference) is the largest economic conference in Russia attended by over 1,500 scholars from around the world. Top officials from the Russian government and Presidential administration, World Bank, International Monetary Fund, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, and major Russian and international companies participate in the conference. It demonstrates new achievements of the Russian scientists and continuing process of their integration into the international scientific community.

In the rating of the European University Association and the American Consortium of Universities, the HSE Publishing House was the only Eastern European publisher that ranked in the top ten international university publishers along with Oxford University Press, Yale University Press, Columbia, Princeton, Cambridge and Sorbonne.



## International laboratories

- **Decision of Choice and Analysis** -  
Prof. Eric Maskin, Harvard University,  
New Jersey, USA
- **Economics of Innovation** -  
Prof. Ian Miles, University of Manchester, UK
- **Institutional Analysis of Economic Reforms** -  
Prof. John Nye, George Mason University, USA
- **Financial Economics** -  
Dr. Christian Julliard, London School of Economics  
and Political Science, UK
- **Theory of Markets and Spatial Economics** -  
Prof. Jacques-François Thisse,  
Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium
- **Algebraic Geometry and its Application** -  
Prof. Fedor Bogomolov, New York University, USA
- **Algorithms and Technologies  
for Network Analysis** -  
Prof. Panayote (Panos) M. Pardalos,  
University of Florida, USA
- **Science and Technology Studies** -  
Prof. Jean Guinet, OECD, Paris, France
- **Comparative Social Studies** -  
Prof. Ronald Inglehart, University of Michigan, USA
- **Educational Policy Analysis** -  
Prof. Martin Carnoy, Stanford University, USA
- **Study of Institutions and Development** -  
Prof. Timothy Frye, Columbia University, USA
- **Strategic Behavior and Institutional Design** -  
Prof. Maarten Janssen,  
University of Vienna, Austria
- **Socio-Cultural Research** -  
Prof. Shalom Schwartz,  
Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel
- **Space Research, Technologies,  
Systems and Processes** -  
David Waring Dunham,  
KinetX Company, USA

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With 21 academic journals,  
Higher School of Economics  
is one of the most trusted  
Russian sources for  
academic content.

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HSE research  
institutes, faculties and  
departments publish 18  
series of preprints and  
working papers.

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HSE supports Russian  
biggest educational  
web portal  
“Economics, Sociology,  
Management”.

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Since the first day, we had the idea of creating a powerful expert community that could consult the government on traditional economic science. From the start, the research university model was implemented as an international standard in university academics.

*Alexander Shokhin, HSE President*

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# THINK TANK

Since inception, HSE has been one of the country's key centers of expertise. HSE specialists have helped shape the history of Russia participating in elaborating Russia's most significant economic and social reforms, government programs and federal laws. University researchers provided critical input into policy development in different areas: modernizing education and health care, advancing public administration and civil service reform, boosting competitiveness of Russia's economy and advancing the tools for a dynamic industry policy, reviewing prospects for effective policy making in innovations, improving government statistics, and other issues.


HSE combines rigorous and in-depth research with providing wide and unbiased platform for the discussion of essential issues facing the Russian economy and society.

## **The scale and scope of university's expert analysis has grown substantially since HSE became a think tank for the Russian government.**



HSE's expertise is grounded on the results of its fundamental research, and in turn, gives the latter unique empirical material. The close connection with fundamental research explains the attractiveness of analytical work for leading researchers, research centers and departments. The university collaborates with private expert organizations and strives to develop the country's expert community. HSE expertise is highly demanded by the Russian government agencies and commercial organizations to create enabling technology platforms, elaborate innovative urban strategies, and develop foresight initiatives that promote sustainable and innovative development, foster economic, environmental and social benefits, and encourage competitiveness and industrial growth at national and regional levels.




Our university was selected to chair the development of Russia's "Strategy 2020" and to provide expert recommendations across 18 key areas of social and economic development in the country's long-term strategic plan. HSE engaged leading international experts to take an active role in working groups and provide an expert analysis of the plan.



HSE is an exemplary model of interaction between research, business and society. This approach ensures the dissemination of progressive know-how and best practices advancing the Russia's national innovation system and contributing to the development of the knowledge-based economy. HSE's applied research serves about 100 corporate clients and partners from different sectors of the economy.



Valorization of higher education, research and innovation activities forced HSE to develop itself as an entrepreneurial university with strong and centralized management, diversification of financing sources, and a complex system of academic incentives. It became an interesting hybrid of models of both a research and an entrepreneurial university. Income from external contracts constitutes not less than 20 percent of HSE's total revenues.



# INTERNATIONALIZATION

Knowledge has no boundaries. HSE is active on the international market of educational services. We expand and deepen our collaboration with foreign universities and research organizations committed to high standards of excellence, engage in international networks and projects, and incorporate international dimension in our programs. We participate in joint international initiatives with private and governmental organizations as well as diplomatic missions in Russia, serving a major gateway for international cultural, social and intellectual exchanges in the country.

The university has over 130 partnerships with international universities and research organizations, and is participating in several international comparative studies. HSE is moving to developing strategic partnerships with the goal to have strategic university alliances in each region across the globe. HSE faculties and academic groups engage foreign partners to enhance teaching, learning outcomes, and research profiles of partners involved.

More than **130** partnerships  
with international universities and research organizations

More than **30** student  
exchange programs

More than **80**  
international faculty members

**11** international summer schools

**30** double degree programs  
with **23** leading foreign universities

**RUSSIAN** as a Foreign Language

in **MOSCOW**  
and **NIZHNY NOVGOROD**

HSE supports student and academic mobility, internships, joint research, international conferences, seminars and summer schools. An international advisory committee was created to attract faculty, staff and experts from the global labor market, promote the university's achievements in the global community, and develop cooperation with the world's leading educational and research centers. By attracting genuine talent, irrespective of the country of origin, we ensure the quality of teaching and research.

Every year, an increasing number of international students come to HSE from more than 50 countries. English-taught degree programs are an integral part of the HSE high quality curriculum. Offering these programs to national and international students, HSE creates a unique international atmosphere and learning environment. International students can take clusters of English-taught courses in Economics and Finance, Management, International Affairs, Sociology, Mathematics, Computational Science and Engineering, Political Science, and in other areas. Every international student has an HSE student mentor (student buddy). International students receive personal and professional support from the central International Office and international coordinators at the faculty. The university offers a possibility to study the Russian language at different levels.





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# STUDENT LIFE AND SERVICES

**Higher School of Economics provides a unique and vibrant student experience that adds significant value to an individual's personal development. HSE graduates are known to be innovators in their fields, leaders in their communities and ambassadors of excellence. Student life at HSE provides young people with many ways to develop essential academic related and job skills to ensure that the students are successful in communicating their ideas, planning and managing time.**

Participation in student associations and clubs make the student experience at HSE more complete, enjoyable and comprehensive. Students may choose from a debate club and a center of business research to a wide range of sports, music, arts and other creative activities. HSE students volunteer for many causes at hospitals and orphanages, and in rural areas. For students and faculty, HSE offers psychological support, trainings and counseling service.



HSE's Alumni Association encourages alumni to participate actively in the life of their faculty and the university. Alumni serve as experts for different HSE projects from launching new educational programs to assessing the outcomes.



# STUDENT LIFE AND SERVICES

**HSE has traditionally been one of the leading Russian universities in the share of graduates who find jobs in their fields of study and in the average salary of graduates on the professional job market.**

Every year, employers from a diverse range of companies are hunting for HSE graduates. Our alumni have an excellent reputation and make rapid careers in business, government and public organizations.

HSE Career Development Center organizes employment fairs with the leading Russian and international companies, conducts international career days, provides individual job placement consultations, a series of seminars on career development, and an online service to identify internship and employment opportunities.

HSE students use online educational services (LMS) and have open access to computer rooms and an online library that includes one million full text dissertations, numerous science abstracts and databases, citation indices, marketing and business resources. All students at HSE enjoy free wireless Internet in all buildings and dormitories.

**HSE{Inc}**

There are centers for entrepreneurship and business incubators at HSE Moscow and regional campuses that provide entrepreneurial training and support student start-ups in IT and mobile applications, e-commerce, creative industries, social entrepreneurship, consultancy and analysis.

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**This university produces three types  
of specialists:  
professors, millionaires, and ministers.  
The choice is yours...  
Think big!**

*Evgeniy Yasin, HSE Academic Supervisor*



## Internet links



[youtube.com/user/hse](https://youtube.com/user/hse)



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