



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT HANDBOOK

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Welcome to Ural Federal University!

Dear students,

It is a great pleasure to welcome you at Ural Federal University, one of the topten Russian universities with a history of almost one hundred years. UrFU is a comprehensive institution offering nearly 400 Bachelor, Master and Doctoral programs in Natural Sciences, IT, Economics and Management, Humanities, Engineering and Social Sciences taught in Russian and English. It provides educational services for more than 35000 students from 80 countries of the world and employs over 4000 faculty members, including globally renowned experts in Physics, Meteorite Research, Engineering, Social Science and Political Studies.

Since 2013, Ural Federal University has been participating in the Russian Academic Excellence Project 5-100: after a competitive selection, it became one of the 21 Russian universities that won the right to receive a special governmental subsidy targeted at enhancing the global competitiveness of the university and increasing its positions in the international rankings.

At this point, you probably have many questions about coming to study in a new country. This practical guide has been specially designed to answer your questions and help you prepare for your journey to Ural Federal University. Please rest assured that both the university staff and students will always be there to assist you.

Good luck!

UrFU International Team



Before Arrival

Application

Your application process starts at UrFU website (urfu.ru/en), where you should fill and submit the Online Application Form:

For degree programs and Russian Language School courses: urfu. ru/en – Prospective Students – How to Apply – Online Application Form (or use the QR code)

For exchange programs: urfu.ru/en – Prospective Students – Inbound Mobility – Online Application Form (or use the QR code)

After you have submitted the application, our managers will contact you within several days and guide you through the further steps.

Visa

The second very important step to becoming a Ural Federal University student is to receive your Russian visa. A single-entry Russian visa is issued by the Russian Embassy/Consulate in your home country after you have submitted all necessary documents (please inquire at your visa application center).

For degree programs:

 First page of passport (or another identification document – the pages with photograph, document number and the date of expiration). Please note that your passport must be valid for at least 18 months after the visa issuance date and have at least two blank pages!





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- Notarized Russian translation of passport/ID done by a certified translator
- Filled visa application form available at UrFU website (urfu.ru/en)
 Prospective students How to apply (or use the QR code)
- Previous education certificates (secondary school/college diploma, Bachelor's degree diploma) legalized in accordance with the procedure established by law
- Russian language course completion certificate received at UrFU or another authorized institution of higher or postsecondary education (for Russian-taught programs)
- Bank statement confirming that the applicant possesses a monetary instrument sufficient to purchase a round-trip ticket to Ekaterinburg (for fee-paying students)

For Russian Language School courses:

- First page of passport (or another identification document the pages with photograph, document number and the date of expiration). Please note that your passport must be valid for at least 18 months after the visa issuance date and have at least two blank pages!
- Russian translation of passport/ID done by a certified translator and notarized
- Filled visa application form available at UrFU website (urfu.ru/en)
 Prospective students How to apply (or use the QR code)
- Stamp duty payment receipt (800 RUB)*
- Bank statement confirming that the applicant possesses a monetary instrument sufficient to purchase a round-trip ticket to Ekaterinburg (for fee-paying students)

*IMPORTANT! According to the Russian legislation, the stamp duty payment receipt must be submitted in paper form. Please contact the Admissions Office (admission@urfu.ru) for details.

For exchange programs:

- First page of passport (or another identification document the pages with photograph, document number and the date of expiration). Please note that your passport must be valid for at least 18 months after the visa issuance date and have at least two blank pages!
- Notarized Russian translation of passport/ID done by a certified translator or Russian language professor from home university





- Nomination letter from home university
- Enrolment letter from home university
- Transcript of records for the last semester
- Learning agreement (please contact your exchange coordinator for details)
- Filled visa application form available at UrFU website (urfu. ru/en) – Prospective Students – Inbound Mobility – Exchange information sheet (or use the QR code)

IMPORTANT! The process of invitation issuance takes some time. which depends on a number of factors beyond UrFU's jurisdiction. Therefore, we strongly recommend that you should submit the



documents well in advance, at least two months prior to the date of your arrival. After you have submitted the scans, please allow at least one month for the invitation to be prepared. As soon as it is ready, your manager will contact you via e-mail.

After your arrival in Ekaterinburg, you will need to extend your visa (see the "Visa Extension" section).

Medical insurance

All foreign citizens staving in the Russian Federation are required to have a medical insurance certificate. You can acquire your certificate at the Admissions Office (Mira str., 19, office GUK-109) or any insurance company in Ekaterinburg or your home country (the certificate must be valid on the territory of Russian Federation). Approximate cost of medical insurance in Russia is 3500 RUB per year.

In case of an insurance event, please contact your insurance company call center on the telephone number stated in your insurance contract. You can also receive paid medical service at UrFU Hospital (Komsomolskava str., 596) or any other city hospital.

Arrange your airport/station pick-up

The airport or railway station pick-up service is available to international students, including exchange students, starting their first semester at Ural Federal University. To book your pick-up service, please inform us at least 3 days prior to your arrival by filling in the special form at UrFU website (urfu.ru/en) -Prospective Students – First Steps upon Arrival in Ekaterinburg (or use the QR code).







DEGREE PROGRAMS ENROLMENT CHECKLIST

For students awarded the scholarship from the Ministry of Education and Science and exchange students

Submit the following set of documents to the Admissions Office (Mira str., 19, office GUK 109)

- a. Passport
- b. Photocopy of the first page of passport
- c. Russian translation of the first page of passport done by a certified translator and notarized (if necessary)
- d. Previous education certificates (secondary school/college diploma, Bachelor's diploma) legalized in accordance with the procedure established by law (if necessary)
- e. Russian translations of the previous education certificates done by a certified translator and notarized (if necessary)
- f. 4 photographs 3×4 cm
- g. Medical insurance certificate valid on the territory of the Russian Federation (if you don't have one, you can acquire your certificate at the Admissions Office).

Register on the territory of the Russian Federation (GUK-109). The required documents include:

- a. Passport (+3 photocopies of first page)
- b. Migration card (+3 photocopies)

- c. Visa (+3 photocopies)
- d. 1 photocopy of all passport pages (including blank pages)
- e. 3 photocopies of stamp confirming crossing the border
- Receive your dormitory voucher (GUK-109)

Pay accommodation fee (SKB-Bank, Sberbank, payment kiosk machines). Please make sure to take the payment receipt. You will need:

- a. Passport
- b. Dormitory voucher
- 5 Undergo medical examination at UrFU Hospital (Komsomolskaya str., 59b). Please bring your recent photofluorogram, vaccination certificates, a description of your general state of health from your physician and other medical certificates that might be necessary.

Receive your room key and bed linen (see the dormitory address in your dormitory voucher). Please provide:

- a. Dormitory voucher
- b. Accommodation fee payment receipt
- c. Medical examination certificate
- d. 4 photographs 3×4 cm

For fee-paying students

Submit the following set of documents to the Admissions Office (Mira str., 19, office GUK-109)

- a. Passport
- b. Photocopy of the first page of passport
- c. Russian translation of the first page of passport done by a certified translator and notarized (if necessary)
- Previous education certificates (secondary school/college diploma, Bachelor's degree diploma) legalized in accordance with the procedure established by law (if necessary)
- e. Russian translations of the previous education certificates done by a certified translator and notarized (if necessary)

f. 4 photographs 3×4 cm

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- g. Medical insurance certificate valid on the territory of the Russian Federation (if you don't have one, you can acquire your certificate at the Admissions Office).
- Pass your entrance exams (please inquire at the Admissions Office, GUK-109)
- Receive your Educational Contract (GUK-110). Please provide:
 - a. Notarized Russian translation of passport
 - b. Contract issuance application (GUK-109)
- 4 Pay tuition fee (SKB-Bank, Sberbank). Please make sure to take the payment receipt.
- 5 Receive your dormitory voucher (GUK-109). Please provide the tuition fee payment receipt
 - 6 Register on the territory of the Russian Federation (GUK-109). The required documents include:
 - a. Passport (+3 photocopies of first page)
 - b. Migration card (+3 photocopies)
 - c. Visa (+3 photocopies)
 - d. 1 photocopy of all passport pages (including blank pages)
 - e. 3 photocopies of stamp confirming crossing the border
 - 7 Pay accommodation fee (SKB-Bank, Sberbank, payment kiosk machines). You will need your passport and dormitory voucher
- 8 Undergo medical examination at UrFU Hospital (Komsomolskaya str., 595). Please bring your recent photofluorogram, vaccination certificates, a description of your general state of health from your physician and other medical certificates that might be necessary.
- 9 Receive your room key and bed linen (see the dormitory address in your dormitory voucher). Please provide:
 - a. Dormitory voucher
 - b. Accommodation fee payment receipt
 - c. Medical examination certificate
 - d. 4 photographs 3×4 cm

RUSSIAN LANGUAGE SCHOOL ENROLMENT CHECKLIST

For students awarded the scholarship from the Ministry of Education and Science

Submit the following set of documents to the Admissions Office (Mira str., 19, office GUK 109)

- a. Passport
- b. 2 photographs 3×4 cm
- c. Medical insurance certificate valid on the territory of the Russian Federation (if you don't have one, you can acquire your certificate at the Admissions Office).
- 2 Register on the territory of the Russian Federation (GUK-109). The required documents are:
 - a. Passport (+3 photocopies of first page)
 - b. Migration card (+3 photocopies)
 - c. Visa (+3 photocopies)
 - d. 1 photocopy of all passport pages (including blank pages)
 - e. 3 photocopies of stamp confirming crossing the border
 - Receive your dormitory voucher (GUK-109)
 - Pay accommodation fee (SKB-Bank, Sberbank, payment kiosk machines). Please make sure to take the payment receipt
 - a. Passport
 - b. Dormitory voucher
 - 5 Undergo medical examination at UrFU Hospital (Komsomolskaya str., 596). Please bring your recent photofluorogram, vaccination certificates, a description of your general state of health from your physician and other medical certificates that might be necessary.
- 6 Receive your room key and bed linen (see the dormitory address in your dormitory voucher). Please provide:
 - a. Dormitory voucher
 - b. Accommodation fee payment receipt
 - c. Medical examination certificate
 - d. 4 photographs 3×4 cm
 - Receive your placement confirmation (Chapayeva str., 20)

For fee-paying students

Receive your Educational Contract at Chapayeva str., 20. Please provide:

- a. Passport
- b. 2 photographs 3 × 4cm
- c. Medical insurance certificate. In case you do not have one, you can acquire it at the Admissions Office (GUK-109)
- 2 Pay tuition fee (SKB-Bank, Sberbank). Please make sure to take the payment receipt.
 -) Return the payment receipt to Chapayeva, 20
 - Register on the territory of the Russian Federation (GUK-109). The required documents are:
 - a. Passport (+3 photocopies of first page)
 - b. Migration card (+3 photocopies)
 - c. Visa (+3 photocopies)
 - d. 1 photocopy of all passport pages (including blank pages)
 - e. 3 photocopies of stamp confirming crossing the border
 - Receive your dormitory voucher (GUK-109)
 - Pay accommodation fee (SKB-Bank, Sberbank, payment kiosk machines). Please make sure to take the payment receipt. You will need:
 - a. Passport
 - b. Dormitory voucher
- 7 Undergo medical examination at UrFU Hospital (Komsomolskaya str., 59b). Please bring your recent photofluorogram, vaccination certificates, a description of your general state of health from your physician and other medical certificates that might be necessary.
- 8 Receive your room key and bed linen (see the dormitory address in your dormitory voucher). Please provide:
 - a. Dormitory voucher
 - b. Accommodation fee payment receipt
 - c. Medical examination certificate
 - d. 4 photographs 3×4 cm

VISA EXTENSION

In order to prolong your legal stay on the territory of the Russian Federation, you must extend your visa or receive a multiple entry visa. To do so, please complete the following steps*:

1) Pass the HIV test

You can do the test at Syromolotova str., 19, room 106 (open 9:00 - 13:00). You will need the following documents:

- a. Passport (+ 2 photocopies of the first page)
- b. Registration (+ 2 photocopies of both pages)
- c. Migration card (+ 2 photocopies of both pages)

Please note that the results will be ready in 3 workdays.

2) Pay the visa fee

You can make the payment in Sberbank or SKB-Bank offices. The visa fee is approximately 1 600 RUB.

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Submit the documents

Please submit the following documents to the Admissions Office (Mira str., 19, office GUK-109):

- a. Passport (+ 3 photocopies of the first page)
- b. 2 copies of all filled passport pages
- c. Visa (+ 3 photocopies)
- d. Registration (+ 3 photocopies of both sides)
- e. Migration Card
- f. HIV test results
- g. Photocopy of educational contract
- h. Visa fee payment receipt
- i. Home address in the country of residence (in written form)

*IMPORTANT! Since the visa issuance takes time, make sure you submit the documents for your visa extension **at least one month** before the expiration date of your current visa!

LEAVING THE CITY

Please note that if you intend to visit other cities or countries during your stay in Ekaterinburg, you MUST inform the Admissions Office (GUK-109).

Our mobile app named UrFU Guide will help you go through all the procedures easily by providing a full interactive checklist of things you need to do upon your arrival, including all the lists of necessary documents and many other useful features. Check it out now!





Off-campus Housing

In case you prefer off-campus housing, the "Housing for Rent" project office will help you find commercial accommodation according to your requirements and, if necessary, assist in finding a flatmate.

To contact the office, please call +7 (343) 375-45-18 or visit http://vk.com/rent flats.

Dormitories

UrFU provides its students with accommodation in dormitories. The dormitory buildings are located at:

- 1st student dormitory Bolshakova str., 79 2nd student dormitory – Bolshakova str., 77 3rd student dormitory – Malysheva str., 140 4th student dormitory – Bolshakova str., 71 5th student dormitory – Malysheva str., 144 6th student dormitory – Chapaeva str., 16a 7th student dormitory – Chapaeva str., 16a 7th student dormitory – Kominterna str., 3 8th student dormitory – Komsomolskaya str., 70 9th student dormitory – Lenina av., 66 11th student dormitory – Kominterna str., 5 12th student dormitory – Kominterna str., 66 14th student dormitory – Komsomolskaya str., 66 14th student dormitory – Komsomolskaya str., 10
- 16th student dormitory Malysheva str., 127a



Off-Campus Housing

In case you prefer off-campus housing, the project office "Housing for Rent" will help you to find commercial housing.

Specialists will pick up your accommodation according to your requirements and, if necessary, help to find a neighbor.

To contact the project office:

- leave a request in the group https://vk.com/rent_flats
- or call +7 (901) 950-93-06 (Sergei)

Important rules and regulations

Residence rules and regulations

for foreign citizens on the territory of the Russian Federation

- On the first working day after arrival in Ekaterinburg, a foreign student must provide his or her passport, migration card and visa to UrFU Visa Support Office (Lenina av., 51, office 246) for migration registration.
- Before leaving Ekaterinburg for other cities or countries, a foreign student must inform the Visa Support Office about their departure at least 3 working days prior to the departure date.
- In case of staying in another Russian city for more than 7 days, a foreign student must register at the local office of the Migration Service and provide the registration information to the Visa Support Office after returning to Ekaterinburg.
- In case a foreign student changes their address of residence, they must inform the Visa Support Office.
- Since 2014, international students in Russia have a right to work. Details are provided by the Visa Support Office.

Campus rules

Dormitory residents have a right to:

- use the room allocated for their accommodation during the period of stay specified in the decision of the Accommodation Committee and accommodation agreement provided that the campus rules and regulations, internal dormitory rules, fire safety rules and sanitary norms are observed
- use shared educational, cultural and social facilities of the dormitory, furniture, bedclothes, and other facilities and services available at the dormitory
- with the permission of the University administration, use personal electrical appliances and equipment provided that all additional electricity costs are covered
- request prompt redecoration and replacement of furniture, equipment, bedclothes and other facilities if they fall into disrepair or wear out not through residents' fault
- request measures to be taken to eliminate any accommodation maintenance faults or faults in the provision of housing and communal services.

Dormitory residents are obliged to:

 follow the campus rules and regulations, internal dormitory rules, health and safety rules, fire safety rules and sanitary norms

- act in a way to prevent any damage to the dormitory's property, use water, gas, electricity and heating energy efficiently, keep rooms and shared spaces clean and tidy, carry out daily cleaning in the rooms, blocks, sections
- fulfil the conditions specified in the accommodation agreement (mutual responsibility agreement)
- pay accommodation fees, make utility and other payments in due time
- act in a way to prevent any excessive noise and vibration that may disturb other residents of the dormitory
- use television, radio, CD-players and other loudspeaker systems at a low volume in order not to disturb other dormitory residents. Silence should be strictly observed in the dormitory from 23:00 to 7:00
- in case any material damage is done, compensate it in accordance with the current legislation and mutual responsibility agreement
- compensate for any missing or damaged property when checking out of the dormitory.

The following actions are forbidden in the dormitories:

- exchanging, dividing, letting, booking, buying or making disposition of the rooms allocated at the University dormitory
- moving to another room or dormitory without due permission of the dormitory administration
- moving furniture or equipment from one room to another
- relocating furniture, equipment, bedclothes and other dormitory property without due permission of the dormitory administration
- making any replanning, rearrangement, reconstruction or refurbishment in the dormitories and shared spaces without due permission
- conducting any redecoration works and tampering with the wiring
- using kerosene stoves or any other similar equipment
- smoking
- drinking alcohol
- being under the influence of alcohol, toxic or narcotic substances
- keeping, selling, or taking narcotic substances and their analogues
- having overnight guests without the administration's permission.

Other rules and regulations

- The pass system and the internal rules and regulations of the campus are aimed at securing safety, maintaining public order and preserving the University's property.
- Residents must produce their entrance pass when entering the dormitory.
- It is prohibited to use somebody else's entrance pass.
- The dormitory opening hours for residents are 06:00 01:00. If a dormitory resident is going to arrive on campus late, they are obliged to get an entrance permission from the dormitory administration specifying the reason for their late arrival.
- Visiting hours at the dormitory are **08:00 23:00**.
- Dormitory residents' close relatives and other guests may temporarily stay at the dormitory with the administration's written permission and agreement of roommates. The duration of their stay is to be determined by the administration safety, maintaining public order and preserving the University's property.
- To enter the dormitory, a guest should produce an ID document in the presence of the resident host.
- In specific cases, the University or campus administration has a right to limit or forbid guests' access to the dormitories.
- Disciplinary action up to expulsion will be applied to those residents who fail to observe the campus policy rules, internal dormitory rules and regulations, fire safety rules and sanitary norms.

Residents will be asked to leave the dormitory in the following cases*:

- expiry of their residence period as specified in the decision of the Accommodation Committee
- expiry of the accommodation agreement term
- resident's withdrawal from the accommodation agreement, including cases of residents' failure to pay accommodation fees and make utility payments for more than 3 months
- destruction or damage done to the living accommodation
- persistent disturbance and violation of roommates' rights, which makes it impossible to continue sharing the same room
- if students misuse the allocated dormitory rooms

- non-compliance with the dormitory rules and regulations, fire safety rules and sanitary norms
- if students drop out of the University
- if students take an academic leave and there are no vacant places within the quota
 of the relevant department
- any other cases as required by the current legislation.

*IMPORTANT! Your accommodation contract is valid until 1 July. During the summer period (July and August), students are not allowed to stay in the dormitory. The exception is only for students passing through their practical term (internship).



Buddy

UrFU Buddy System gives you a great opportunity to get a personal assistant – a current UrFU student who will help you settle in the new environment. Buddy is a friend who will make your arrival and first days in Ekaterinburg and UrFU easy and smooth, and who will be there to help you during an entire semester. At the same time, you will be their Buddy too!

The Buddy System holds various events for international students including excursions, festivals and volunteering projects. But the main idea of the program is that you can find a local student, your buddy, who will help you to get used to the new way of life, give some useful advice and introduce you to other students.

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The Russian Federation is known for having a great history and rich cultural heritage, and we are delighted that you have decided to explore it. Russia is, indeed, a unique country, which occupies a vast territory populated by millions of people. The lifestyle in Russia is different from that in Europe or America, so we have a lot to surprise you with! Russia might seem a very cold place where you always have to wear a fur hat not to get frozen. Well, yes – winters are cold here, but the warmth of the Russian hospitality makes up for the low temperatures outside. Besides, it's not always winter – summers in the Urals are as warm as anywhere else in Europe.

Russia is the largest country in the world, covering 17.1 m sq.km, which is more than one-eighth of the Earth's inhabited land area. It is considered a European country, although two-thirds of Russia's territory are located in Asia. Extending from west to east, Russia spans 10 time zones. The climate is characterized by a clear distinction of two seasons – cold and warm. Most of the country's territory lies within the zone of temperate climate.

Currency (coins and banknotes)

The Russian Ruble (RUB, RUR) is the national currency of the Russian Federation. There are banknotes of 10, 50, 100, 200, 500, 1000, 2000 and 5000 rubles and 1, 2, 5 and 10-ruble coins.

One ruble equals 100 kopecks. There are also coins worth 1, 5, 10 and 50 kopecks.







Banknotes





Voltage

The standard voltage in Russia is 220 V, 50 Hz frequency, plug (socket) type F or C. Voltage converters and plug adapters are available in any electronics shop.



Dear friends,

Welcome to Ekaterinburg, the city named after Ekaterina I – the wife of the greatest Russian tsar Peter I.

The two founders of the city were Vasily Tatishchev, a Russian statesman and historian, and Georg Villim de Gennin (originally, Wilhelm de Hennin), a military officer and engineer, who was, according to different sources, either German or Dutch. Ekaterinburg's official birthday is 18 November 1723, but for convenience, the city residents celebrate it in summer – in August.

Ekaterinburg is one of the major transportation and logistic hubs of the country, an important industrial center and, of course, the main administrative, cultural, research and educational center of the whole Ural region. The city's most interesting feature is that, geographically, it is the westernmost city in Asia and the easternmost one in Europe – so we live in the place where East meets West.

While ranking fourth in Russia in terms of population, Ekaterinburg is also the largest city in the Urals. The permanent population of the "Ekaterinburg City" municipal unit is 1,429,433 people (as of 2013). Local mass media unofficially refer to Ekaterinburg as "Russia's third capital".

Ekaterinburg is located in the zone of moderate-continental climate characterized by the variability of weather conditions and distinct seasons of the year, which explains sharp temperature fluctuations and weather anomalies: in winter, the weather may vary from hard frosts to thaws and rains, in summer – from scorching heat above 35 °C to chills.

Ekaterinburg hosts many large-scale international events, including the annual international industrial fair INNOPROM, Vienna Music Film Festival, numerous industrial, business and scientific conferences and forums. In June 2018, the city hosted four group stage games of the 2018 FIFA World Cup, becoming the easternmost Russian World Cup host city. Now Ekaterinburg is a candidate city for the right to host World Expo 2025, and the city's bid has made it to the finals.

Sightseeing spots to visit in Ekaterinburg

Ekaterinburg is often referred to as "The Capital of Constructivism". Constructivism is a style in architecture that was popular in the Soviet Union during the 1920s-1930s. This is why in Ekaterinburg you can find buildings that look like a tractor, a ship, or the hammer and sickle – the famous communist symbol.

Monument to the founders of Ekaterinburg

The inscription on the monument says, "To the glorious sons of Russia V. N. Tatishev and V. I. de Gennin. From grateful Ekaterinburg, 1998". Among the city youth, it is commonly referred to as "Beavis and Butt-head". This place is extremely popular with skaters, BMXers, rollers and other sport-loving youngsters who often practice here and show various tricks.

The Square of 1905 ("Ploshchad 1905 goda")

The Square of 1905 is the main square in the heart of Ekaterinburg. It acquired its modern look in 1930, when two smaller squares merged into one after the demolition of Bogoyavlensky Cathedral.







Yeltsin-Center

Boris Yeltsin Presidential Center is a social, cultural and educational center dedicated to modern political history of Russia and the personality of the first President of Russia B. N. Yeltsin.

Sevastyanov's House

The house was built in the early 19th century on the bank of the Iset river. It is a unique architectural monument combining Moresque and Gothic styles. Sevastyanov's House is included into the national cultural heritage list.

Academic Theatre of Opera and Ballet

Opened in 1912, Ekaterinburg's Theatre of Opera and Ballet is one of the oldest in Russia.

Rastorguyev-Kharitonov Palace

Famous 18th century landmark on Voznesenskaya Gorka (Ascension Hill). There are numerous legends associated with this palace.









Cathedral-on-the-Blood

Cathedral-on-the-Blood is one of the largest Orthodox cathedrals in Russia. It was constructed in 2000-2003 on the spot where, on the night of 16-17 June 1918, the last Russian Emperor Nikolai II and his family were murdered.

The Keyboard Monument

The Keyboard Monument was officially unveiled in 2005 on the embankment of the Iset river. It is a gigantic QWERTY keyboard with 86 concrete keys in 30:1 scale. Each key weighs about 80 kg.

Red Line

The fastest and easiest way to see the most popular sightseeing spots in Ekaterinburg is to follow the Red Line – the main touristic route of the city. The route starts at the Square of 1905 – look for the red line on the sidewalk!









Transport

Airport

Website: www.koltsovo.ru

The airport of Ekaterinburg, Koltsovo, is the largest regional airport in Russia. Over 40 Russian and international airlines connect Ekaterinburg with more than 100 cities of the world, and practically any place on the planet can be reached via international hubs.

Public Transport

The public transport system in Ekaterinburg includes buses, trams, trolley buses and underground.

The fare for one ride in the public transport is 28 rubles.

There are many mobile apps that can help you get around in Ekaterinburg. The most popular ones are **2GIS**, **Yandex.Transport**, and **Hubb**.

Taxi

The most convenient way to order a taxi in Ekaterinburg is to use the mobile apps such as **Uber**, **Yandex Taxi**, **Gett** and **Wheely**.

Banks

There are many various banks in Ekaterinburg. The official partners of the University are Sberbank and SKB-Bank.

If you are entitled to a scholarship, it might be a good idea to get an SKB-Bank card.

All information about SKB-Bank cards is available here: http://www.skbbank.ru/ personal/cards

You can find the locations of SKB-Bank offices in our UrFU Guide mobile application (available at Google Play and AppStore).

Mobile Phone Companies

There are five large mobile phone companies operating in Ekaterinburg: MTS, Beeline, Megafon, Motiv, and Tele2.

To buy a SIM card, you must provide passport/ID. SIM cards are available at the companies' offices and mobile phone retailer shops.

Shopping Centers and Malls

Ekaterinburg has plenty of shopping centers and malls where you can buy everything from food to manufactured goods and clothes. These shopping malls usually have food courts with various cuisine including international fast food chains such as McDonalds, KFC, Starbucks, etc. In many shopping centers, there are also a lot of entertainment facilities: bowling centers, cinemas, theme parks.

Here is a list of the most popular shopping malls:

- Greenwich (Гринвич) 8 Marta str., 46
- Passage (Пассаж) Vaynera str., 9
- Uspensky (Успенский)
 Vainera str., 10
- Europe (Европа)
 Lenina av., 25
- Hermes-Plaza (Гермес-Плаза) Malysheva str., 16

- Botanica Mall (Ботаника Молл) Akademika Shvartsa str., 1
- Dirigible (Дирижабль) Akademika Shvartsa str., 17
- Carnival (Карнавал) Khalturina str., 55
- IKEA, Mega, Auchan (ИКЕА, Mera, Ашан) Metallurgov str., 87

- Megapolis (Мегаполис)
 8 Marta str, 149
- Park House (Парк Хаус) Sulimova str., 50
- Raduga-Park (Радуга-Парк) Repina str, 94
- Fun-Fun (Фан-Фан) Yasnaya str., 2

Studies

Academic calendar

The following dates are approximate and subject to change according to yearly orders issued by the University administration. Please inquire at your Institute's directorate for the exact dates.

Autumn semester: Sept 1 – end of December

Exam session: Jan 10 – end of January

Winter breaks: Jan 1 – Jan 8, end of January – Feb 15

Spring semester: Feb 15 – end of May

Exam session: June 1 - end of June

Exchange semester application deadlines:

Application deadline for the spring semester is 15 November of the preceding year.

Application deadline for the autumn semester is 1 July of the current year.

UrFU Grading System

1 ECTS (credit) equals 36 academic hours.

UrFU employs a **grade-rating system** ("6PC", Eng. "BRS"), where a student's final grade for a course is calculated based on the following:

- Attendance
- In-class performance
- Homework grades

- Test grades
- Final exam performance

The weight of each component in the final grade is determined by the specifications stated in the educational plan. The final grade is then converted into one of the following according to the traditional Russian four-point grading system:

- 5 "Excellent" (the highest grade)
- 4 "Good"
- 3 "Satisfactory"
- 2 "Unsatisfactory" (failed).



Digital and mobile services for students

Student's Personal Account

UrFU students can use the Student's Personal Account to check their classes schedule and grade points, access various electronic learning resources, research news, electronic library systems, templates of documents and other useful content.

To register in the system, please visit id.urfu.ru. In case you have any problems with the registration, please consult the technical support office (S. Kovalevskoy str., 5, office T-310).

UrFU Guide Mobile App

With the view to make your first days at Ural Federal University easier and smoother, UrFU International Cooperation Division developed a mobile app named UrFU Guide, which comprises all information you will need during your adaptation period, such as maps and navigation, lists of institutes, dormitories, libraries, etc. with contact details. It also features a full interactive check list of things you should do as soon as you arrive in Ekaterinburg to finish the enrolment procedure, so you won't get lost or forget anything.



Libraries

Services provided by the University Library:

- Borrowing
- Reading rooms
- Online resources at information centers
- Search assistance
- Training courses on using library resources

| Services | Library at Mira str., 19 | Library at Turgeneva str., 4; Kuybysheva str., 48. |
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| Working Hours | Mon 09.00 - 19.00 | Mon 09.00 - 19.00 |
| | Tue 09.00 - 19.00 | Tue 09.00 - 19.00 |
| | Wed 13.00 - 19.00 | Wed 09.00 - 19.00 |
| | Thu 09.00 - 19.00 | Thu 09.00 - 19.00 |
| | Fri 09.00 - 19.00 | Fri 09.00 - 19.00 |
| | Sat 09.00 - 16.00 | Sat 09.00 - 16.00 |
| | The library is closed on the last Wednesday of the month (except for exam session periods) In summer, the library is open until 17.00. | |

| Library card issuance To submit your application on- line, please scan QR-code or visit http://lib.urfu.ru/ (How to - Obtain a Library Card) | Russian language students receive their library cards at the Library Department of Technical Literature. Address: Mira str., 19, room Б-201 Required documents: passport with visa university pass 1 photo 3x4 cm Students majoring in technical sciences receive their library cards at the Library Department of Technical Literature. Address: Mira str., 34Γ. Required documents: passport with visa university pass 1 photo 3x4 cm | Students majoring in the humanities receive their library cards at the Library Department of Humanities. Address: Turgeneva str., 4, room 258. Required documents: passport with visa university pass 1 photo 3x4 cm Students majoring in the natural sciences receive their library cards at the Library Department of Natural Sciences Literature. Address: Kuybysheva str., 48A, room 254 Required documents: passport with visa university pass 1 photo 3x4 cm |
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| Books for the students studying the Russian language as a foreign language | Library Department of Social Studies and Economics Address: Mira str., 21, room Φτ-411 | Library Department of Humanities Address: Turgeneva str., 4, room 258 |

| Books and | Technical Literature: | Literature in the humanities: |
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| periodicals in foreign languages | Library Department of Technical Literature | Library Department of Foreign Literature |
| (books can be borrowed for a | Address: Mira str., 19, room Б-201 | Address: Turgeneva str., 4, room 356 |
| period of 1 month, books | Technical Literature Reading room | Literature in the natural sciences: |
| and periodicals available in reading rooms | Address: Mira str., 19, room Б-202 | Library Department of Natural Sciences |
| cannot be borrowed) | | Address: Kuybysheva str., 48A, room 253 |
| | | Natural Sciences Information Center |
| | | Address: Kuybysheva str., 48A, room 450 |
| Online library catalogue | Scan QR-code or visit http://lib.urfu.ru/ | Scan QR-code or visit http://opac.usu.ru/usu/ |
| (currently available in Russian only) | | |

IMPORTANT! Before using the library services, make sure to read the library rules and regulations.

In case you have any questions concerning the libraries, the website also provides an "Ask a Librarian" online support service.

Library rules: scan QR-code or visit http://lib.urfu.ru/ (About us - General Rules)



"Ask a Librarian" online support service

scan QR-code or visit http://lib.urfu.ru/ (About us - Ask a Librarian)



Canteens

Students of Ural Federal University can always enjoy a nice meal in one of our canteens offering Russian and European cuisine.

| Mira str., 28 | Mon-Fri 9.00-16.00 |
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| Mira str., 19 | Mon-Sat 9.00-20.00 |
| S. Kovalevskoy str., 5A | Mon-Sat 10.00-18.00 |
| Lenina av., 51 | Mon-Fri 10.00-18.00 |
| Mira str., 19 | Mon-Fri 9.00-18.00 |
| Mira str., 32 | Mon-Fri 9.00-16.00 |
| Mira str., 17 | Mon-Fri 9.00-16.00 |
| Mira str., 21 | Mon-Fri 10.00-16.00 |
| Mira str., 19 | Mon-Fri 10.00-20.00 |
| Turgeneva str., 4 | Mon-Fri 9.00-16.00 |
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| Kuybysheva str., 48 | Mon-Fri 9.00-16.00 |
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| Kuybysheva str., 48 | Mon-Fri 9.00-17.00 |
| Kuybysheva str., 48 | Mon-Fri 10.00-17.00 |
| Lenina av., 51 | Mon-Fri 9.00-16.00 |
| Chapaeva str., 20 | Mon-Fri 10.00-16.00 |
| Mira str., 28 | Mon-Fri 10.00-18.00 |
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| Mira str., 32 | Mon-Fri 10.00-18.00 |
| Mira str., 19 | Mon-Fri 10.00-18.00 |
| S. Kovalevskoy str., 5a | Mon-Fri 10.00-18.00 |
| Chapaeva str., 16 | Mon-Fri 9.00-17.00 |
| Mira str., 19 | Mon-Fri 10:00-17:30 |
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Sports

UrFU sport infrastructure provides various opportunities to exercise and perform. The sport departments offer wide range of training programs, such as:

- Athletics
- Cross-country skiing
- Overall physical training
- Basketball
- Women's handball
- Football
- Volleyball
- Rock-climbing
- Orienteering and sports tourism
- Fitness-aerobics
- Boxing
- Powerlifting
- Judo and sambo

UrFU students, faculty and staff are welcome to use the University swimming pool (25m, 6-lane pool).

Services: swimming (50 % discount for UrFU students, faculty and staff), swimming instructors, water aerobics.

Working hours: 6:30-22:00. The first session starts at 6:30, the last one starts at 20:45.

The schedule of training programs and sessions is available at Kominterna str., 14A.

All information about sport at UrFU is available at UrFU website: www.urfu.ru/en/sport/



Ural Federal University organizes more than 200 sports, social and cultural events and actively supports international events organized by various organizations of the city and the region. International students can become members of 23 student organizations, including such organizations as BEST (Board of European Students of Technology), AIESEC, Erasmus Student Network (ESN), etc. They can also develop their talents in performing groups of UrFU.

For more information and contacts, please visit: http://urfu.ru/en/activities/social-life/



Institutes

Graduate Engineering School

Mira str., 21, office Φτ-214 http://hse.urfu.ru/

Graduate School of Economics and Management

Mira str., 19, 4th floor, office И-405 http://gsem.urfu.ru/en/

Institute of Chemical Engineering

Mira str., 28, office X-327a

Institute of Civil Engineering

Mira str., 17, office C-319 http://sti.urfu.ru/

Institute of Fundamental Education

S. Kovalevskoy str., 5 office T-512 http://info.urfu.ru/

Institute of Natural Sciences and Mathematics

Kuybysheva str., 48 http://insma.urfu.ru/en/

Institute of New Materials and Technologies

Mira str., 28 http://inmt.urfu.ru/ru/

Institute of Open Educational Technologies

Mira str., 19, office И-201 http://itoo.urfu.ru/

Institute of Physical Education, Sport and Youth Policy Kominterna str., 14, office CK-408

http://ifksimp.urfu.ru/

Institute of Physics and Technology

Mira str., 21, office Φτ-207 http://fizteh.urfu.ru/

Institute of Public Administration and Entrepreneurship Lenina av, 136, office 201 http://igup.urfu.ru/

Institute of Radioelectronics and Information Technologies Mira str., 32, office P-332 http://rtf.urfu.ru/

Ural Institute of Humanities Lenina av, 51, office 240 http://urgi.urfu.ru/en/

Ural Power Engineering Institute

S. Kovalevskoy str., 5, office T-227 http://enin.urfu.ru/

Contacts

UrFU Contact Center

+7 (343) 375-44-44

Center for International Student Mobility and Recruitment

Mira str., 19, office GUK 209 Tel.: +7 (343) 375-46-27 admission@urfu.ru

Admissions, Visa, Adaptation

Mira str., 19, office GUK-109 Tel.: +7 (343) 375-45-18

International Student UrFU on VK: https://vk.com/international_student_urfu

International Student UrFU on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/internationalstudenturfu/

Russian language school of UrFU

Chapaeva str., 20, office 208 Ms. Elena Essyak (Admissions manager) e.s.essiak@urfu.ru Website: http://rfl.urfu.ru Russian language school on VK: https://vk.com/rls_urfu Instagram: @russianlanguageurfu



UrFU Guide - Mobile app for international students!









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