



Norwegian Agency for
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Norwegian-Russian Scholarship Scheme

2019-2020



This announcement of scholarships is based on the Agreement between the Norwegian Ministry of Education and Research and the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation, dated 27th April 2010.

Norwegian scholarship schemes are normally closely tied to institutional collaboration, preferably with strong linkage between cooperation in research and education. Since the Ministry of Education and Research cannot instruct the institutions to accept a candidate within a specific field, this scheme is based on pre-agreements with defined institutions. The institutions retain their right not to accept a specific candidate.

A total of 30 student grants are available annually: 15 within Norwegian language and literature, 15 within other subjects. The grants can be awarded to students and academic staff at Russian institutions of higher education for one or two semesters¹.

The scholarship is granted to Russian students for the purpose of studying in Norway and cannot fund exchange stays to other countries².

Students should be enrolled in courses equivalent to 30 ECTS each semester³.

Please note that it is not possible to extend the duration of the grant once the grant has been awarded.

Grants are offered at the following Norwegian higher education institutions:

- **Oslo Metropolitan University**
- **UiT -The Arctic University of Norway**
- **University of Bergen**
- **Nord University**
- **University of Oslo (International Summer School)**
- **Norwegian University of Science and Technology**

¹ Up to two students may be accepted for the Master's Programme in Nordic Language at UiT -The Arctic University of Norway

² This regulation also applies to students enrolled in full degree studies.

³ This does not apply to the summer schools

Norwegian language and literature

The Kingdom of Norway will offer up to 15 grants annually. The grants can also be awarded to lecturers of Norwegian language and literature at Russian institutions of higher education.

University of Oslo – International Summer School

Norwegian language courses levels II, III and IV at the International Summer School, 22 June – 2 August 2019. More information: www.uio.no/summerschool

Academic requirements:

Upper Secondary/High School Certificate and transcript of records + minimum 1 year of studies in academic subjects at university level.

All students must meet the English language requirement:

- TOEFL: 60 IBT or 500 PBT
- IELTS: 5.0

For levels II, III and IV, applicants must document their Norwegian language proficiency:

- Certified university transcripts of Norwegian language courses
- Test scores for *Norskprøven* or Test i norsk – høyere nivå (*Bergenstesten*)
- Signed and stamped statement from a current employer or Norwegian professor indicating your proficiency in Norwegian
- Applicants to all Norwegian language courses must submit a Statement of Purpose (must be written in Norwegian for applicants to Norwegian level 3-4, and in English for level 2)
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For more details: <http://www.uio.no/english/studies/summerschool/admission/>

UiT – The Arctic University of Norway

Applicants who have studied Norwegian full time for at least one year may apply for the semester course **NOR-0100 Norwegian language, literature and culture for international students- 30 ECTS** (full-time study, one semester at campus Tromsø). The students will need to document their level of Norwegian language proficiency in one of the following ways:

Documented level of Norwegian equivalent to level III.

Accepted documentation of level of knowledge is:

- Examination in Norwegian from upper secondary school on the “Vg3-level”
- Level III examination in Norwegian for foreign students at Norwegian universities
- Test of Norwegian, advanced level (known as “Bergenstesten”) with a score of at least 450
- Documentation of other proof of Norwegian language skills on a similar level.

Academic requirements (obligatory):

- Minimum 1 year of completed studies in academic subjects at university level.
- Admission on the same conditions as for exchange students.

Master’s programme

Up to two degree students may be accepted for the **Master’s Programme in Nordic Language** (https://uit.no/utdanning/program?p_document_id=279771) and **Master’s Programme in Nordic Literature** (https://uit.no/utdanning/program?p_document_id=279770). Both programmes are taught in Norwegian.

Academic requirements for master’s degree applicants:

- Upper Secondary/High School Certificate and transcript of records
- Bachelor’s degree diploma (4 years) with average grade corresponding to the Norwegian C. It is required that at least 80 ECTS are taken within Nordic language/literature field.
- Documentation of Norwegian language proficiency (Bergenstesten or Level III).

Documentation of English language proficiency:

- TOEFL: minimum score of 580 (paper-based)/213 (computer-based)/ 85 (Internet-based).
- IELTS: Academic with a minimum of 6.5 points
- APIEL: Advanced Placement International English Language Examination (APIEL) with a minimum of 3 points
- University of Cambridge Exams: Certificate in Advanced English, Certificate of Proficiency in English

General study grants

A total of 15 grants will be offered annually. The grants include 6 weeks summer school and open studies for 1 or 2 semesters.

Oslo Metropolitan University

- Studies at Oslo Metropolitan University on conditions equal to those of an exchange student.
- Only in the autumn semester (August-December) 2019 and spring semester (January-May/June) 2020.
- Limited to courses at the Faculty of Education and International Studies.

Courses can be found at <http://www.hioa.no/eng/Studies/Search-for-Courses-Taught-in-English> (tick off for Faculty of Education and International Studies).

Academic requirements:

Please see:

<http://www.hioa.no/eng/Studies/Admission/How-to-apply-for-exchange>

Norwegian University of Science and Technology

Students can find courses in English on the following website:

<https://www.ntnu.edu/studies/exchange/courses>

Please note that studies within Architecture, Psychology and Medicine (Medical Doctor Programme) are not available for application.

Please note that all applicants to courses at NTNU must, in addition to the regular application, submit an electronic application at http://www.ntnu.edu/studies/exchange_students/how_to_apply no later than **1 April 2019**. Students are encouraged to apply earlier if possible.

Academic requirements:

- For studies at bachelor level, minimum 1 year of studies in relevant academic subjects at university level. Within Engineering, courses on a bachelor's degree level will be mainly instructed in Norwegian and will hence require Norwegian proficiency. Students within engineering on a bachelor level without Norwegian proficiency are not eligible to apply.
- For studies at master level, bachelor's degree or equivalent.
- Additional requirements depending on the courses selected (students must meet with the recommended and required previous knowledge for each course)

All students must meet with our English proficiency requirements:

<http://www.ntnu.edu/studies/langcourses/languagerequirements>

- TOEFL IBT: 90
- IELTS: 6.5

UiT - The Arctic University of Norway

UiT has an extensive number of English taught courses in most subject areas.

The applicants must identify relevant courses from the UiT's course catalogue <https://en.uit.no/education/courses> and check at which campus they are taught. It is possible to apply for one or two semester studies. The distances among the campuses make studying at more than one campus impossible unless the course(s) are virtual.

Academic requirements:

- Minimum 1 year of completed studies in academic subjects at university level.
- Admission on the same conditions as for exchange students.

University of Oslo (International Summer School)

Courses at the master's level at University of Oslo's International Summer school, 24 June – 2 August 2019. Available courses are:

- ISSHF4060 - Gender Equality in the Nordic Countries (15 ECTS)
- ISSJF4711 - Human Rights (15 ECTS)
- ISSMF4205 - International Community Health (15 ECTS)
- ISSSUM4180 - Energy, Environment and Social Change (15 ECTS)
- ISSSV4756 - International Development Studies (15 ECTS)
- ISSSV4854 - Peace Research (15 ECTS)

Academic requirements:

- Minimum 4 year of studies in academic subjects at university level.
- All students must meet our English language requirement:
 - TOEFL: 90 IBT or 550 PBT
 - IELTS: 6.5
- Applicants must have a degree or work experience that is related to the course.

University of Bergen

Applicants can apply for courses listed under “Courses for Exchange Students”: www.uib.no/en/exchange-courses.

Academic requirements:

- Applicants must have completed a minimum of 60 ECTS credits (equivalent to 1 year of full-time studies) at university level by the time they apply.
- Additional requirements may apply, depending on the courses selected. Such requirements will be listed in the course descriptions online.
- English proficiency at level B2 or higher according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR). NB! Students applying for courses in English language and literature (course code ENGxxx) must possess English proficiency at CEFR level C1.

Documentation of English language proficiency:

Category A: Applicants enrolled in partner universities of UiB¹ may normally submit a confirmation issued by their home university as proof of English proficiency. Special requirements apply to students planning to take courses in English language and literature (course code ENGxxx)*

Category B: Applicants who are NOT students at a partner university of UiB may submit one of the following as proof of English proficiency:

- Tests:
 - TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) with a minimum score of 87 for an internet-based test (iBT), IELTS (International English Language Testing Service), academic test with a minimum score of 6.0.
 - Pearson PTE Academic test with a minimum score of 54 points.
- University of Cambridge examinations:
 - First Certificate in English (grade B or C)
 - Certificate in Advanced English (45 to 59)
 - Certificate of Proficiency in English
- Proof of having completed one year of studies in Australia, Canada, Ireland, New Zealand, United Kingdom or USA with English as the language of instruction.
- Proof of enrolment in a university programme in English language and literature
- English (140 hours) from Norwegian upper secondary school: written and oral exam

Special requirements apply to students planning to take courses in English language and literature (course code ENGxxx).

Additional information for applicants:

www.uib.no/russut

Nord University

- Studies at Nord University for 1 or 2 semesters on conditions equal to that of a free mover or exchange student.
- Students may choose from the available courses in the course catalogue www.nord.no/en/studies/programmes-courses/english-study-offers/
- Please note that all applicants to Nord University must, in addition to the regular application, apply directly to Nord University within the deadlines given on the university website. For information see: www.nord.no/en/studies/admission

Academic requirements:

- It is the applicant's responsibility that he/she is qualified for the courses to which he/she applies.
- For studies at bachelor level, the applicant must document minimum 1 year of studies in academic subjects (minimum 60 ECTS credits) at university level at the time he/she applies.
- All applicants must satisfy the requirements for English language proficiency:

Category A: Applicants nominated from institutions that Nord University has an exchange agreement with, can document their English proficiency by a confirmation from the home institution that the student has level B2 or higher in English.

How to proceed?

Application

The application deadline will be announced by the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation.

All applications must be written on the application form of the scholarship scheme. Applications not made on this form, will not be considered.

All applicants must submit a **Statement of Purpose** (motivation letter) in English together with the application which describe the personal motivation for choice of studies.

Eligibility

Students who are currently enrolled at a Russian higher education institution *and* academic staff/teachers at Russian higher education institutions are eligible for grants.

Applicants must fulfil the announced language and educational requirements corresponding to the requirements set by each higher education institution.

Please contact Diku or the contact point at the relevant institution if you have any questions regarding eligibility.

What does the grant cover?

- The students will receive a monthly grant equivalent to the rate for Norwegian students at the Norwegian State Educational Loan Fund (“Lånekassen”). As per January 2019, this is NOK 10 825 per month.
- Travel costs are not covered (ref. Article 6 in the agreement).
- The students will normally be offered student accommodation, for which they pay the rent out of their grant (usually NOK 2 500 – 4 500 monthly).
- The students will not pay tuition fees (except a semester fee of approximately NOK 600 per semester).
- For summer school participants there are special rates, where accommodation, meals, and book support are included.

For further information, please contact:

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