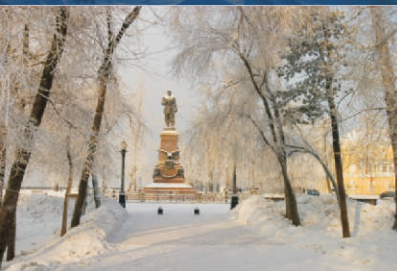
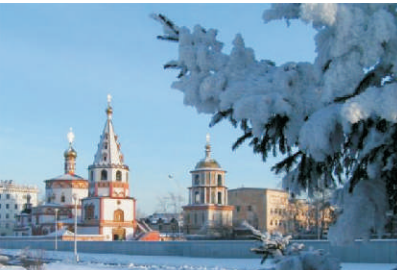




NATIONAL RESEARCH IRKUTSK STATE TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY

International School “EXPLORING SIBERIA '14. Winter edition”

February 08 – 26, 2014
Irkutsk city and Lake Baikal, Russia



About the program

Irkutsk State Technical University (ISTU) offers a high quality academic program in Siberian regional studies and Russian language combined with diverse cultural program. The first “Exploring Siberia” took place in summer 2007 and had 17 participants; in 2010 the winter edition of ES was launched. Since that time we had more than 280 participants from 20 countries of Europe, Asia, North and South America. The School is designed for international individuals with different educational background wishing to get / deepen knowledge about Siberia, understand local life style, open up opportunities for destroying misconceptions about Siberia. The program furthermore provides the participants with supporting course of Russian language. After the program completion students are awarded with certificates of participation issued by ISTU.

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Curriculum*

ES'14 offers lectures about the "Pearl of Siberia", Lake Baikal, its origin, geology, ecosystems, climate, ecology etc; the total amount of academic hours held by distinguished faculty of Irkutsk State University is 30. Supporting course of Russian language is delivered by instructors of ISTU department of Russian language and intercultural communication. Total number of contact hours is 50, classes are held on weekday mornings, 4-5 academic hours per day. Working language of the School is English and German.

Extracurricular activities*

Academic classes are accompanied by the diverse extracurricular activities. School participants are invited to take part in guided tours, to visit museums, theater, Irkutsk hydroelectric power station etc. The highlight of the cultural program is a 4-day trip to the heart of Lake Baikal, Olkhon island.

* for the up-to-date program of the school please visit <http://www.istu.edu/structure/53/13346/3371/>

Application

Application for ES is simple; just send the following documents via e-mail oms@istu.edu before **December 15, 2013**: motivation letter, CV, completed application form, international passport copy for visa support letter.

Course fee

35 000 RUB (academic and cultural program, pick-up service, visa support, 4-day tour to Island Olkhon with full board)

Accommodation options (subject to availability)

- ISTU student hostel (single and double rooms within shared two-room flats with a bathroom; kitchen on the floor; residents are provided with bed-linen and basic utensils) – 250 RUB/day/person;
- Homestay (incl. breakfast) – 600 RUB/day/person;
- Other (Irkutsk hotels, hostels etc)

Facts & Figures IRKUTSK REGION

Area	768 000 sq.km.
Population	2,5 mln.
Urban	80%
Nationalities	~100
Natural resources	water, timber, fish, fur
Mineral resources	coal, oil, gas, iron, gold
Climate	sharp continental
Time zone	GMT + 8

Facts & Figures IRKUTSK CITY

Founded/city status	1661
Area	432 sq.km.
Admin. districts	4
Population /rank in Russia	600 000 /24 th
Monuments of history & culture	1215
Universities	23

Facts & Figures LAKE BAIKAL UNESCO World Heritage Site

Type	continental rift, fresh
Max. length	636 km.
Max. width	80 km.
Surface area	31 722 sq. km.
Max. depth	1 642 m.
Water volume	23 615 cubic km.
Major inflows	Selenga, Barguzin, Upper Angara, Uda etc
Outflow	Angara
Islands (biggest)	27 (Olkhon)

Facts & Figures ISTU

Founded	1930
Students	30 000
Foreign students	1000
Alumni	> 120 000
Teaching staff	1000
Institutes & Faculties	11
Departments	71
Degree programs	230
Library (items)	1,5 mln.

