

# Norwegian-Russian Scholarship

## Scheme 2018-19

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### Introduction

This announcement of scholarships is based on the Agreement between the Norwegian Ministry of Education and Research and the Russian Ministry of Education and Science, 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.

The total amount of available student grants annually is 30: 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. Admission of a student for a two-year programme implies that the student is counted as grant recipient for two years, reducing the number of available grants the following year<sup>1</sup>.

As acceptance of individual students cannot be guaranteed, it is suggested that the Russian Ministry of Education and Science recommends at least 20 students for language studies and 20 students for other studies, from which the grant recipients can be selected.

Grants are offered at the following institutions:

- [Oslo and Akershus University College of Applied Sciences](#)
- [UiT The Arctic University of Norway](#)
- [University of Bergen](#)
- [Nord University](#)
- [University of Oslo](#)
- [Norwegian University of Science and Technology](#)

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<sup>1</sup> Please note that this scholarship is granted to Russian students for the purpose of studying in Norway. The scholarship cannot fund exchange stays to other countries. This regulation also applies to students enrolled in full degree studies.

Please note that students should be enrolled in courses equivalent to 30 ECTS each semester (this does not apply to the summer schools).

## Norwegian language and literature

The Kingdom of Norway will offer up to 15 grants annually. Depending on the number of qualified applicants, some flexibility can be shown in the distribution of language student grants, within the total of 15. The grants can also be awarded to lecturers of Norwegian language and literature at Russian institutions of higher education.

## University of Oslo

Levels II, III and IV at the International Summer School, 23 June – 3 August 2018.

More information: [www.uio.no/summerschool](http://www.uio.no/summerschool)

### Academic requirements:

- Applicants must document they meet the basic admission requirements to higher education in Norway, including minimum 1 year of studies in academic subjects at university level and English proficiency.
- All students must meet the English language requirement, with one of the following:
  - TOEFL: 60 IBT or 500 PBT
  - IELTS: 5.0
  - Exemptions from English test – see the ISS website
- For levels II, III and IV, applicants must document their Norwegian language proficiency, with one of the following:
  - Certified university transcripts of Norwegian language courses
  - Test scores for Språkprøven or Test i norsk høyere nivå (Bergenstest)
  - Signed and stamped statement from a current employer or Norwegian professor indicating the applicant's proficiency in Norwegian.

Applicants to Norwegian language levels III and IV must also write their statement of purpose in Norwegian.

For more details: <http://www.uio.no/english/studies/summerschool/admission/>

## UiT – The Arctic University of Norway

UiT is a multi-campus university, which offers English taught courses in Alta, Harstad, Tromsø and Narvik. The applicants must identify relevant courses from the UiT course catalogue

<https://en.uit.no/education/courses> and check at which campus they are taught. The distances

among the campuses make studying at more than one campus impossible unless the course(s) are virtual.

**NOR-0100 Norwegian language, literature and culture for international students- 30 ECTS** (full-time study, one semester at campus Tromsø)

**Academic requirements:**

- Upper Secondary/High School Certificate and transcript of records
- Minimum 1 year of completed studies in academic subjects at university level.
- Documentation of English language proficiency
  - TOEFL: minimum score of 500 (paper-based)/ 170 (computer-based)/ 60 (Internet-based).
  - IELTS: Academic with a minimum of 5.0 points
  - APIEL : Advanced Placement International English Language Examination (APIEL) with a minimum of 3 points
  - MELAB: Michigan English Language Assessment Battery (MELAB) with a minimum of 85 points
  - University of Cambridge Exams: First Certificate English, Certificate in Advanced English, Certificate of Proficiency in English
- Documented level of Norwegian equivalent to level III.
  - The students must have studied Norwegian full time for at least one year before they may attend the course.
- Accepted documentation of level of knowledge is:
  - Examination in Norwegian from upper secondary school on the “Vg3-level” (“Knowledge Promotion” (Kunnskapsløftet) / Norwegian as a second language from upper secondary school on the “VKII-level” (“Reform 94”)
  - Level 3 examination in Norwegian for foreign students at Norwegian universities
  - Examination from the 1-year university college course in Norwegian language and culture for foreign students
  - Test of Norwegian, advanced level (known as “Bergenstesten”) with a score of at least 450,
  - or with “Pass” mark after the introduction of the new scoring system beginning fall 2009.

- or documentation of other proof of Norwegian language skills on a similar level.

**For Russian specialists in Norwegian language/literature:**

Norwegian language and literature courses at bachelor's and master's level – taught in Norwegian

<https://uit.no/utdanning/emner>

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](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](https://uit.no/utdanning/program?p_document_id=279770)).

A bachelor's degree or equivalent is required in addition to the above mentioned general academic admission requirements. Other requirements may apply depending on the courses selected.

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## General study grants

A total of 15 grants will be offered annually. The grants include 6 weeks summer school, open studies for 1 or 2 semesters, and Master degree studies. Depending on the number of qualified applicants, some flexibility can be shown in the distribution of grants, within the total of 15.

## Oslo and Akershus University College of Applied Sciences

Studies at Oslo and Akershus University College of Applied Sciences, on conditions equal to those of an exchange student. Only in the autumn semester 2018 and spring semester 2019, 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).

**Procedures, application deadlines and 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:

<http://www.ntnu.edu/studies/coursesearch>

**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](http://www.ntnu.edu/studies/exchange_students/how_to_apply) no later than 1 May 2018. 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 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: 60
- IELTS: 6.5

## **UiT - The Arctic University of Norway**

UiT is a multi-campus university, which offers English taught courses in Alta, Harstad, Tromsø and Narvik. 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. The distances among the campuses make studying at more than one campus impossible unless the course(s) are virtual.

Campus Narvik offers up to 4 annual grants. The grants are also eligible for the 2-year Master Programmes in Satellite Engineering, Engineering Design, Industrial Engineering, Computer Science or Electrical Engineering (<https://en.uit.no/education?studtype=4&sted=201567>).

**Academic requirements:**

- Upper Secondary/High School Certificate and transcript of records

- For studies at bachelor level, minimum 1 year of studies in relevant academic subjects at university level.
- For studies at master level, a bachelor's degree or equivalent is required.
- Additional requirements may apply depending on the courses selected.
- Documentation of English language proficiency
  - •TOEFL: minimum score of 500 (paper-based)/ 170 (computer-based)/ 60 (Internet-based).
  - •IELTS: Academic with a minimum of 5.0 points
  - •APIEL : Advanced Placement International English Language Examination (APIEL) with a minimum of 3 points
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## University of Bergen (UiB)

**Courses:** Applicants can apply for courses listed under “Courses for Exchange Students”:

[www.uib.no/en/exchange-courses](http://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 UiB ( Perm State University, Saint Petersburg State University, National Research University Higher School of Economics, Moscow State

Institute of International Relations or any of the Russian universities in the UArctic network (list available here: <https://education.uarctic.org/mobility/where-can-i-go/> ) may normally submit a confirmation issued by their home university as proof of English proficiency. Special requirements apply to students willing 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 enrollment 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 willing to take courses in English language and literature (course code ENGxxx)\*

\*Student applying for courses in English language and literature (course code ENGxxx) at UiB must submit one of the following as proof of English proficiency:

- IELTS: minimum 7
- TOEFL (iBT) with a minimum score of 90
- University of Cambridge examinations:
  - First Certificate in English: Grade A
  - Certificate in Advanced English: Grade C
  - Certificate of Proficiency in English: Level C1
- ETS - TOEIC Listening and Reading Test:
  - TOEIC Listening: 490
  - TOEIC Reading: 455

**Additional information for applicants:**

[www.uib.no/russut](http://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/](http://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 our website. For information see:

[www.nord.no/en/studies/admission](http://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.

**Category B:**

Applicants who are *not* students at an institution that Nord University has an exchange agreement with must document their English language proficiency according to the requirements on our website: [www.nord.no/en/studies/admission/](http://www.nord.no/en/studies/admission/)

**University of Oslo**

Courses at the Master's level at University of Oslo's International Summer school, 23 June – 3 August 2018. Available courses are:

- ISSHF4060 - Gender Equality in the Nordic Countries (15 ECTS)
- ISSMN4030 - A Changing Arctic (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.

For more details: <http://www.uio.no/english/studies/summerschool/admission/>

## **How to proceed:**

### **Application**

All applications are written on a special form developed for the scholarship scheme. Applications not made on this form, will not be considered. The application deadline, as well as contact information, will be announced by the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation.

### **Eligibility**

Only students who are currently enrolled at a regular university study programme or academic staff/teachers at universities or similar institutions are eligible for grants to summer courses. Other grants are available to applicants who fulfil the announced language and educational requirements.

### **What does the grant cover?**

The students will not pay study fees (except a semester fee of approximately NOK 600 per semester). 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 2018, this is NOK 10 634 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).

For summer school participants there are special rates, where accommodation, meals, book support and pocket money is included.

For further information, please contact:

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