

Dear colleagues!

From 01.08.2012 till 21.08.2012 the faculty for foreign students training of Volgograd state technical university organizes a summer language school for foreign students «Volga-Don region: ecology and natural management (traditions, modernity and prospects of development)». The program of school is focused on the students, who wish to study Russian and are interested in history, nature and ecology of the region.

The faculty for foreign students training is famous for its traditions in teaching Russian as foreign (almost 50-years experience of teaching), by only the highly skilled specialists who have the experience of teaching not only in Russia, but also in other countries (Europe, Asia, America and Africa).

Volgograd and Volgograd region are traditionally of great attention among Russian, and foreign tourists. The summer language school suggests learning natural resources of the region along with studying Russian.



The panorama-museum «Stalingrad Battle». A view from Volga



The statue Mother-Russia calls!
The Mamayev Hill



Building of Volgograd state technical university

At class and out-of-class lessons students of the summer school will learn natural aspects of the region, historical experience of reclaiming of this territory by peoples, living on this territory at various times.

The program provides the following fields of training:

Russian grammar ¹ and phonetics	4 ECTS;
Practical course of Russian (conversational practice) + excursions	4 ECTS;
Lectures on ecology and natural management	} 1 ECTS
Excursions (educational)	

The subjects of the Russian practical course (conversational practice) except traditional themes includes those, typical for Volgograd region:

- The Volga - blue road of Russia;
- The history of reclaiming of Volga region steppes (Tsaritsyn – Stalingrad – Volgograd);
- The history and traditions of peoples of Volga region;
- "Sarepta" - the historical center of residence of Volga region Germans;
- The Great Patriotic War (1941-1945) as viewed by Russian and German soldier.

At the Volgograd state technical university there was *a school* of teaching of subjects of an *ecological cycle*. In drawing up of the program of summer school, namely, - in development of employments on ecology and natural management, - the leading scientists of university participating in the project 159 305-TEMPUS-1-2009-DE-TEMPUS-IPCR (2009-4660/001-001) took part. Students of the summer school will get acquainted:

- With environmental problems of the industry and agriculture of Volgograd region;

1. The list of grammatical themes on Russian is formed according to the language level of summer school students. Definition test of the level of mastery of the language is carried out after the arrival.

- With features of ecological tourism in Volgograd region;

- With rare and disappearing kinds of animals and plants of Volgograd region.

The following educational excursions are on schedule:

- Excursion across the river Volga with visiting waste plant and a picnic on the fresh air;
- Excursion to the affiliate of the Federal State institution «the Center of the laboratory analysis and technical measurements» of Southern federal district of the RF;
- Excursion to the state institution «Volgograd botanic garden».



Nature park «Scherbakovsky»
museum Foto near the century oaks
In the halls of museum.



Bogdinsko-Baskunchakskiy reserve
In the salt lake Baskunchak



The historical-ethnographic reserve-
«Cossack-Kuren».

In order to strengthen the knowledge got at class hours, one can use various educational excursions ²:

- Excursion to the Historical-ethnographic reserve museum «Old Sarepta»;
- Excursion to Volga-Don canal, visiting of the museum;
- Excursion to salty lake Baskunchak (Russian national «saltcellar»)³;
- Visiting nature park «Scherbakovsky» (so-called «the Volga Switzerland»)³.



nature park
«Volga-Akhtubinskaya flood-plain»



nature park
«Scherbakovsky»



nature park
«Scherbakovsky»

Students of summer school will take part in 10 bus and walking tours across Volgograd and Volgograd region, including two-day tourist routes. They will get a unique opportunity to bathe in the most salty lake of the European part of Russia (lake Baskunchak) to eat the well-known Bikovo's water-melons to take part in the folklore program, to visit:

- Cathedral of four religions;
- A Russian - German memorial cemetery in the settlement Rossoshki;
- The most ancient archeological complex of an epoch of paleolith,
- Unique nature sanctuaries of Volgograd region (chalk mountains, nature parks: «Volga-Akhtubinskaya flood-plain», «Scherbakovsky»).

²Cost of educational excursions is included in cost of the program of summer school.

³The given excursion is long (about two days). Students of summer school have an opportunity to choose from the offered list of long excursions the most interesting for them (1 - 3 excursions).



Chalk mountain
in nature park «Donskoy»



nature park
«Volga-Akhtubinskaya flood-plain»

The schedule of the summer language school:

Monday - Friday:

8.30-10.00 -

10.10-11.40

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Class hours:

- grammar, conversational practice

- a history of the region;

- classes on speciality;

12.00-13.00

- dinner;

13.00-18.00

- educational excursions.

Saturday, Sunday

- long educational excursions.

Cost of the summer school - 800 euros

Accommodation:

1) Student's hostel: one place in a double room (cost of accommodation is included in cost of the summer school.)

2) Hotel (from 2000 roubles for 1 place in double room)

Group size: Min 10 persons; Max 20 persons.

The candidates who are interested in the summer school, should submit till **01.05.2012** THE APPLICATION FORM FOR PARTICIPATION and send a copy of the passport directly to organizers on e-mail: forstud@vstu.ru

Surname (english). _____ (russian). _____

Name (english). _____ (russian). _____

Sex (m/fm) _____

Date of birth: _____

Passport number _____

Passport issue date _____

Passport is valid through _____

Place of birth: city _____ country _____

Place of residence: city _____ country _____

Place of getting visa: city _____ country _____

It is necessary to note in the APPLICATION:

- Brief information about yourself (faculty of training, hobby, the level of knowledge of Russian, motivation of studying Russian, why this summer school interested you);

- The post address for reception of the Invitation (the Invitation is made up for 1 month);

- The client number in post service FedEx (for sending the invitation by mail) or payment of postal services - 70 euro (after arriving).

Yours faithfully, the head of school **Elena Tjumentseva.**