
INSTITUTIONAL DETAILS

Name SOUTHERN FEDERAL UNIVERSITY (SFedU)

City, Country Rostov-on-Don, Russia

Website https://www.sfedu.ru/index_eng.php

**About the university
(2014-2015 data)**

Southern Federal University (SFedU) was founded in 1915. The University's position in the national university rankings provides persuasive evidence to its achievements, a positive image and a passion for excellence: was awarded the 5th place in the Annual Independent National University Rankings. (http://sfedu.ru/index_eng.php)

SFedU offers Bachelor, Master and Doctoral programmes Bachelor programmes – 82; Master programmes – 53; Doctoral programmes – 25. More than 30 000 students including 1 315 foreign students are taught by over 1,500 academic staff, including 501 Professors, DSc, and 1 834 Associate professors, PhD.

The University is one of the leading research centers in Russia. It creates the right conditions for research, both applied and basic, supports all disciplines, from the humanities to sciences and natural sciences.

The development of scientific and innovative potential of the university is carried out in 74 research areas within 36 subject areas, which correspond to 8 priority trends in science and technology, as well as 27 critical technologies.

SFedU stands out from among Russian higher education institutions also due to the highest number of grants awarded: 700 grants of the Russian research funds.

SFedU conducts breakthrough research in the following fields: artificial intelligence, smart control systems, neuromorphic technologies, biomedicine; photonic, quantum, and molecular computing; additive manufacturing; radio physics, space physics.

The University carries out fundamental and applied research in five broad research areas:

- Robotics, control systems, navigation and communications;
- Information Technologies. Nanotechnologies, Smart Materials;
- Medicine of the Future, Biotechnologies;
- Innovation Ecosystem of Azov and Black Sea Basin;
- Geopolitics, Geoeconomics and Social and Economic Development Projects of the South of Russia, Caucasus.

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ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Academic calendar

It is divided in two semesters:

- September – December
- January – June

Orientation days are planned to welcome exchange students at the beginning of each term. Attendance to these sessions is compulsory.

Course offer for Bachelor, Master and PhD students

http://sfedu.ru/www/stat_pages22.show?p=INR/N12344/P

Credit system

ECTS.

European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) credits are a standard means for comparing the volume of learning based on the defined learning outcomes and their associated workload for higher education across the European Union and other collaborating European countries. For successfully completed studies, ECTS credits are awarded. One academic year corresponds to 60 ECTS credits that are normally equivalent to 1500–1800 hours of total workload, irrespective of standard or qualification type.

http://ec.europa.eu/education/resources/european-credit-transfer-accumulation-system_en

Usual work load

60 ECTS per year - 30 ECTS per semester

Grading system

Grading system in use at Southern Federal University

Russian grading system	ECTS
5 = excellent	A
4 = good	B
3 = satisfactory	C
2 = failed	F (Failed or discontinued courses do not appear in the transcript)

- ECTS (European Credit Transfer System) is used at SFedU; 1 ECTS credit represents the workload of 27 working hours including lessons, assignments, exam and homework. It is possible to study approximately 30 ECTS credits per one semester. Course catalogue with further information:

Deadlines for registration

Students coming to SFedU for:
First semester: 15th May | Second semester: 15th October

Enrolment

Students are requested to send the completed application form and scan-copy of passport with a list of chosen courses before the deadline. SFedU recommends a maximum of 30 ECTS per semester. Courses from other faculties are upon availability.

Language of teaching

Courses are taught in English and Russian.

Recommended language skills

B1 - B2 level of English

Language learning

There are specific courses targeting SFedU exchange students free of charge.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Visa

EU students will have to apply for a student visa. Please note that a tourist visa is not enough to stay in Russia for over three months. More information a student can get upon request (kgubanova@sfedu.ru) or in the International Student Guide: <http://sfedu.ru/pls/rsu/docs/u/U5129/Folders/file/guide-for-Intstudents.pdf>

Housing

The International Office will book a room for an exchange student at the university's hall of residence.

http://sfedu.ru/www/stat_pages22.show?p=INR/N12364/P

Cost of living

Students should plan the following monthly expenses (approximate):

Item	Room in a shared flat	Room in a student residence hall
Housing	15-25 000 roubles per month	1550 roubles per month
Food (consumer basket)	12 000 roubles per month	12 000 roubles per month
Transport	1200-2500 roubles per month	1200-2500 roubles per month
Other expenses	15 000 – 20 000 roubles per month	15 000 – 20 000 roubles per month
Total	59 500 roubles per month (maximum)	36 050 roubles per month (maximum)

Students with disabilities

Information about facilities to welcome students with disabilities available on individual request depending on special needs. Please contact kgubanova@sfedu.ru during the nomination process detailing which disabilities and needs should be covered. Final acceptance will be done on a case-by-case basis.

Integration activities

The buddy-students (tutors) at SFedU organize leisure and cultural activities for exchange students and offer Orientation programme, so an international student can meet a local student and exchange conversation in each other's language.
