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## INSTITUTIONAL DETAILS

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**Name** SOUTHERN FEDERAL UNIVERSITY (SFedU)

**City, Country** Rostov-on-Don, Russia

**Website** [https://www.sfedu.ru/index\\_eng.php](https://www.sfedu.ru/index_eng.php)

### About the university (2019-2020 data)



With its origin dating back to 1915, the Southern Federal University (SFedU) has evolved into Russia's leading institution of learning, discovery and knowledge creation.

SFedU offers Bachelor, Master and Doctoral programmes Bachelor programmes – 86; Master programmes – 126; Doctoral programmes – 26. More than 25 000 students, including 2 545 foreign students are taught by over 2,169 academic staff, including 55 international staff members.

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.

- *300 joint projects with world class universities*
- *Marine research expeditions*
- *Regional Center for Innovative Technological and Social Development*

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.

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

- *Nanotechnologies, IT, AI Smart Materials*
- *Geopolitics and Geo-economics of the South of Russia*
- *Biotechnology, Medicine of the Future, Prospects of the Azov-Black Sea Region Development*
- *Robotics, Control, Navigation and Communication Systems*

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## INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS SERVICE

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**Website** [https://www.sfedu.ru/www/stat\\_pages22.show?p=INR/main/M](https://www.sfedu.ru/www/stat_pages22.show?p=INR/main/M)

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## ACADEMIC INFORMATION

### Academic calendar

It is divided in two semesters:

- September – January
- February – 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](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](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: 15<sup>th</sup> June | Second semester: 15<sup>th</sup> November*

**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.

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**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 ([nklyuchko@sfedu.ru](mailto:nklyuchko@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](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	≈ 1800 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
<b>Total</b>	<b>59 500 roubles per month (maximum)</b>	<b>36 300 roubles per month (maximum)</b>

**Students with disabilities**

Information about facilities to welcome students with disabilities available on individual request depending on special needs. Please, contact [nklyuchko@sfedu.ru](mailto:nklyuchko@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.