

Sechenov University, Moscow *A fully English-language program!*

NEW! Master's Degree Program in Linguistics

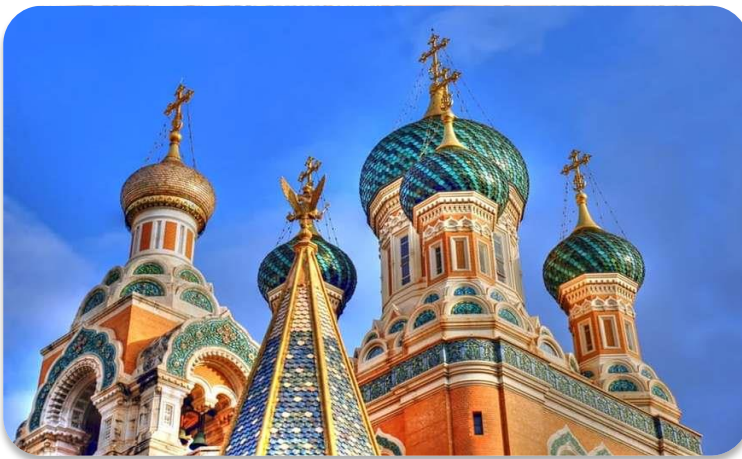
PSYCHOLINGUISTICS OF INTERCULTURAL COMMUNICATION

Program Overview

Combining the international tradition of intercultural communication research with the achievements and methods of Russian Ethnopsycholinguistics, this master's program provides knowledge and skills for successful participation in a dialogue with people from different cultural backgrounds. Students will gain practical experience in applying various techniques and tools to identify, analyse and successfully solve intercultural communication problems in a multicultural setting.

OUR MISSION

This innovative master's program will enable students to better understand, communicate and build relationships with people from different cultures. The program draws upon the experience of experts from several fields, will improve students' interactions in different countries, societies, and professional fields.



The core subjects include:

- ❖ *Theory of Intercultural Communication*
- ❖ *Ethnopsycholinguistics*
- ❖ *Cross-Cultural Psychology*
- ❖ *Intercultural Business and Management*
- ❖ *Mass Media and Cross-Cultural PR*
- ❖ *Academic Writing*
- ❖ *Russian Culture*
- ❖ *Russian as a Foreign Language*
- ❖ *Elective course: German/French*

Russian Ethnopsycholinguistics

All linguists know how different the world may look through the prism of different languages. This difference sometimes makes us curious and attracted to an unknown culture, or may give ground to intercultural misunderstandings and miscommunication, or even complete failure. The cause of misunderstanding is the dissimilar cultural or ethnic-specific images of the world investigated by Russian Ethnopsycholinguistics since the early 1970s.

The program is implemented **in cooperation with the Institute of Linguistics of the Russian Academy of Science, Department of Psycholinguistics**. Students have the unique opportunity to gain **first-hand information** from founding Russian scholars in the field.

The curriculum heavily relies on the works of leading Russian psycholinguists: Aleksei Leont'ev, Juriy Sorokin, Evgeniy Tarasov, Natalia Ufimtseva, Irina Markovina and fellow researchers.



Based on the *Theory of Linguistic Image of the World* and the *Lacuna Theory*, students **will develop their own effective communication strategies** to overcome barriers in the path of mutual understanding and

cooperation. They will investigate cases from varying cross-cultural settings including professional fields such as business, medicine, law, mass media, and so on.

Fast facts

Entry term: Autumn 2017

Number of courses: 12

Number of semesters: 4

Typical course load:

- 1st & 2nd semester: 4-4 courses
- 3rd semester: 1 course and internship/or 2 courses
- 4th semester: 1 practical course and writing & defence of thesis

Career opportunities

The program aims to train professionals to operate in an international context, in any field where intercultural skills are in demand. Graduates will be qualified for employment in the *international job market in both public and private sector*, including working for:



- ✓ *international organizations*
- ✓ *public administration*
- ✓ *education*
- ✓ *multinational companies*
- ✓ *trade*
- ✓ *tourism*
- ✓ *local and national governments*
- ✓ *international research projects*
- ✓ *other fields where intercultural sensitivity is a key requirement.*

Gaining the Master's Degree that focuses on Psycholinguistics of Intercultural Communication from Sechenov University may also serve as a springboard into further studies of Intercultural Communication and obtaining a Ph.D. degree (Candidate of Science in Linguistics) from the Institute of Linguistics of the Russian Academy of Sciences, opening an academic carrier for graduates.

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