

Frequently Asked Questions

1. What are the requirements to join the university?

Before you start any degree program you must complete the Russian language pre-university program (Exception: [Master programs in English](#)). This program lasts for 10 months and usually starts in September-November.

To receive an official invitation to study at TSTU, an applicant should submit the following documents (to e-mail address tstu04@yahoo.com):

scanned copy of international passport , which should be valid for at least 1.5 year (18 months) since the intended date of entry to Russia;

scanned copy of education certificate;

completed application form (http://www.tstu.ru/en/education/inst/doc/mo/appl_form_05.02.16.doc)

scanned copy of medical certificate, including chest X-ray results, HIV-test results.

As soon as we receive all your documents we will review them and if everything is according to our requirements we will submit your documents to get the official invitation for studying (usually it takes 1 month for Migration Department to issue the invitation). According to the received invitation you will be able to get the visa for studying in our University.

As for the payments we have the following procedure (the prices are stated for the current academic year):

1. you should transfer the following payments to the University official bank account (you should transfer those payments before we send to you the original invitation): Accommodation Fee- approximately 300 USD for 1 year stay in a shared room. Tuition Fee - about 1500 USD for Pre-University Russian Language program.

2. you should pay the following payments upon your arrival to Tambov:

Medical Insurance fee - about 100 USD per 1 year

Multiple visa fee - about 30 USD.

2. What are the tuition fees for bachelor and master programs for international students?

All the prices for the academic year 2018- 2019 you can find on the following web-page [Faculty of International Education](#) (<http://www.tstu.ru/en/r.php?r=education.inst&id=18>)

3. What Russian language programs are offered at your university?

Our University offers Pre-University Russian language program (10 months or 14 months) and Intensive Russian language courses (from 3 months).

Information about the Pre-University Russian language program

http://www.tstu.ru/en/education/inst/pdf/mo/fmo_pre-18.pdf

Information about the Intensive Russian language courses

<http://www.tstu.ru/en/r.php?r=education.inst&id=18&f=fmo2>

4. Why we get only 3 months visa from our country, if we want to do master in TSTU. Is there any producer of getting 2 years visa directly or university will extend our visa?

University will extend your visa.

5. What if after payment (tuition fee and accommodation as you specify) the accepted candidate is refused or denied visa in his country, what happen to the transferred money?

In case the Consulate of the Russian Federation refuses to issue the Russian visa to an applicant, the applicant submits the rejected original invitation or another official document from the Consulate of Russia. According to the presented documents TSTU transfers back payment to the applicant's bank account. All the bank fees on such transfers are to be paid by the applicant.

6. Why does university collect the fees before the arrival of the candidate, can't it be paid in person after arrival? There are so many websites which do things like this and at the end it turns out to a fraud, how do we know that we are paying into the university account and not a staff of the university account. I mean one have to be careful please I need help on this.

Our University is a Federal State Budgetary Educational Institution. Applicants transfer payments to the official account of our University. Before sending the payments applicant signs an official Contract with our University which is proved by the rector's signature and stamp of our university. A fraud is absolutely impossible at our university if you apply directly to our office of the Faculty of International Education (tstu04@yahoo.com).

7. Can I study on scholarship?

In order to get a scholarship to study in Russia you should apply to the Ministry of Education of your country or to the Embassy of the Russian Federation in your country.

8. Please what is the monthly cost of student life in Tambov.

The average monthly cost of life for students is 300-400 US Dollars

9. Can I apply for general medicine?

Unfortunately we don't have any general medicine programs at our university. We have a technical program "Biotechnical Systems and Technologies" with a profile "Engineering in Medicobiologic Practice".

10. Do you allow students to work while studying?

From year 2014 all foreign students studying on basic academic programs in the Russian universities (not pre-university program students) can get legal employment on the basis of their student visa. But, please note, that job market for foreign students is not very organized yet.

11. Do you like Tambov?

Of course, we like Tambov.

Tambov is a quiet and very beautiful modern city, it has all conditions for quality education.

According to the official government statement Tambov is the most secure city in the Russian Federation. Also, according to the rating of the Year 2017 Tambov is recognized as the most ecologically clean city in Russia.