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MASTER PROGRAMS



41.04.01 FOREIGN REGIONAL STUDIES

Languages of instruction: English + Chinese

Specialization: Asian Pacific Regional Studies

Countries of study: Russia, China, the USA, Korea, Japan in the Asia-Pacific

Languages studied: English, Spanish, Chinese, Korean, Japanese (to be chosen)

Regional Studies is a new and demanded field aimed at the training of analysts who can negotiate in foreign languages, coordinate international programs and supervise projects, accompany delegations abroad and carry out consulting in different areas of domestic and foreign affairs.

Regional Studies analysts to be receive training in a number of fields. Concerning the theory and practice of Regional Studies, they study history and methodology of region research, methods of teaching Regional Studies and Linguocultural Studies, current issues of Regional Studies. Concerning intercultural communication, the students learn foreign languages in professional activity, the basics of journalism and media management, Asian Pacific ethnology. Concerning the social and political spheres, the students explore the political and cultural systems of the countries in Asian Pacific, social processes management as well as safety issues and conflicts in Asian Pacific Area. Concerning economics, the students learn about the processes of modernization, transformation and economic integration in Asian Pacific.

The students take part in the research projects of the Department of Asian Pacific Regional Studies and acquire skills in managing projects and research activity. The knowledge and the skills of an expert in Regional Studies are required in administrative bodies, academic institutions, archives, museums, international organizations related to exchange programs between funds and universities, in foreign companies, joint enterprises and travel agencies.

The program offers:

- studying languages of Asian Pacific countries (Chinese, Korean, Japanese, English and Spanish) from zero to advanced level;
- being taught by high-class specialists and native speakers;
- meetings, trainings, lectures of representatives of consulates and diplomatic service, heads of enterprises and leading experts in Asian Pacific;
- assistance in employment, including during studies.

A successful career as a:

- specialist in business, cultural and other contacts with Asian Pacific countries;
- expert-analyst in Asian Pacific;
- manager in foreign trade;
- university lecturer.

Entrance exams:

A test in Regional Studies (topics are offered depending on the choice of the country of study – China, Korea, Japan, the USA).

Topics:

1. Geographical location of the country of study
2. Outstanding historical figures of the country of study
3. Administrative division of the country of study
4. Ethnicities and languages of the country of study
5. Political system of the country of study
6. The flag, the coat of arms and the anthem of the country of study
7. Main literary works of the country of study
8. Economic development of the country of study

This course is for you if:

- you need profound knowledge of Chinese/Japanese/Korean, English and Spanish;
- you want to make a career in business, administrative or academic sphere as an analyst of economic, political, demographic, social, cultural processes in Asian Pacific countries;
- you want to carry out organizational, communicative, informational, analytical, publicist activity related to establishing contacts with Asian Pacific countries.