

## Description of the educational program

### **MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAM "WORLD POLITICS"**

**(23.03.2026 – 05.07.2026)**

#### **Implementation of the Educational program.**

The educational program is implemented in accordance with the requirements of the Federal State educational standard 41.04.05 "International Relations", approved by Order No. 649 of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation dated July 12, 2017 (registered with the Ministry of Justice of the Russian Federation on August 2, 2017, registration number is 47645).

#### **A professional activity that the graduate will be ready to perform.**

As a result of mastering the educational program, the student will carry out activities in the following areas:

- Education and science (in the fields of vocational training, secondary vocational and higher education, additional education; scientific researches);
- Communication, information and communication technologies (in the fields of organizational and communication activities to ensure diplomatic, foreign economic and other contacts with foreign countries and regions; intercultural communication; translation activities; conducting official and business correspondence in a foreign language(s).

#### **The object of professional activity of graduates are:**

Government departments, federal and regional authorities and administrations;

- International organizations;
- Analytical departments of business community structures and government corporations;
- Commercial, non-profit and public organizations of an international profile engaged in consulting, information, expert-analytical, research and lobbying activities;
- Scientific departmental and non - governmental analytical organizations and structures with international issues;
- Mass media;
- Areas of professional training related to the teaching of international disciplines and foreign languages at all levels of education.

**As a result of mastering the educational program**, the graduate is ready to perform the following professional functions based on a foresight session:

##### **a) in the field of expert and analytical activities:**

- be able to develop strategies for analytical research, long- and medium-term plans for international activities;
- be able to find and summarize factual material, making informed conclusions;
- draft agreements, contracts, event programs, as well as diplomatic documents;
- to carry out analysis, planning and forecasting in the field of international activities, justification and analysis of the implementation of adopted programs;
- to carry out the examination of international projects, international events, agreements;
- possess the skills to present expert opinions on international political issues orally and in writing.

##### **b) in the field of scientific researches:**

- to be guided by modern international processes and trends in global political development, to understand their prospects and possible consequences for the Russian Federation;
- to understand the logic of global processes and the development of the global political system

of international relations, to possess knowledges about the main trends in the development of key integration processes of our time;

- to be able to track the dynamics of the main characteristics of the international security environment in the context of the national interests of the Russian Federation;
- to possess basic skills of applied analysis of international situations;
- to understand the possibilities of trans-regional cooperation and other international relations of the regions, taking into account their political and legal specifics in the conditions of Russia and foreign countries.

**After mastering the educational program**, the student prepares to participate in the following types of professional activities:

- expert and analytical activities;
- research activities.

**The educational program is academic type.**

**Digital skills the graduate will possess:**

- understanding the basics of cybersecurity related to the leakage of personal data and corporate information;
- understanding of digital trends, which lies in the essence of the latest technologies;
- knowledges of application programs, digital equipment and digital information;
- knowledges of tools and programs for internal communications;
- possession of the statistical apparatus necessary for professional activity, namely a computer program for statistical data processing SPSS Statistics;
- ability to use digital resources, make their competent choice, creation and modification, as well as exchange them in accordance with the set goals;
- civic participation through digital technologies: participation in the life of society through the use of public and private digital services.

<b>Courses</b>	<b>Credits</b>
<b>Compulsory Disciplines</b>	
Expertise and forecasting in international relations	3
<b>Elective Disciplines</b>	
Regional subsystems of international relations in the 21st century	2
Foreign policy process and the modern foreign policy strategy of Russia	3
Current trends in international security	3
Principles of working with international legal and diplomatic documentation	3
Digital sovereignty and the institutionalization of digital governance: global practices	3
Global demographic and migration trends	3
<b>Optional Disciplines</b>	
Methodology for the preparation of scientific papers and expert opinions	1
Russia in the XXI century	1

**Total amount of credits:** 22 ECTS

**Duration:** 1 semester

**The form of training and the corresponding duration of the program, opportunities and conditions for reducing the period of study.**

The training program is conducted full-time. The term of education under the educational program is 2 years. When studying according to an individual curriculum, the persons with disabilities can be increased by no more than six months at their request.

### **The uniqueness of the educational program.**

Starting in December 2020, as part of the implementation of the master's program, research seminars on topical issues of modern world politics are being practiced with the participation of lecturers and experts from both foreign universities and leading Russian universities as speakers. Not only undergraduates are invited to participate in research seminars, but also undergraduate students of the NWIM RANEPA and other universities of St. Petersburg.

The head of the master's program – Doctor of Political Sciences, Professor Nikolay A. Baranov – at the end of the 2020-2021 academic year became the winner of the competition "Best lecturer 2020/2021" in the nomination "Best Professor", and at the end of the 2021-2022 academic year – a diploma holder of the same competition. N.A. Baranov is the author of numerous publications, the winner of the All-Russian competition for the best scientific book of 2020.

Undergraduates are provided with ample opportunities to participate in student scientific competitions, conferences, and research seminars.

**The bases of practice of the master's program** are territorial divisions of federal executive authorities; administrations of districts, cities and subjects of the Russian Federation; legislative assemblies of subjects of the Russian Federation; associations of international cooperation; public organizations focused on working with business structures.

### **The content and conditions of the program implementation.**

The program is implemented in Russian. As part of the program, a graduate student can choose a module in English.

Main disciplines: "Analysis of international situations", "Expertise and forecasting in international relations", "Foreign policy process and the modern foreign policy strategy of Russia", "Regional subsystems of international relations in the 21st century", "Principles of working with international legal and diplomatic documentation", "Current trends in international security", "Digital sovereignty and the institutionalization of digital governance: global practices", "Global demographic and migration trends" as well as disciplines of the student's choice.

Not only Russian professors and associate professors, but also foreign teachers with a PhD degree take part in the implementation of the master's program. Digital technologies are a widely demanded tool for the implementation of the program, which is more related to organizational, methodological and scientific events.

The main speakers of the program are: Tolstova Tatyana Nikolaevna - Head of the Department of Interregional, International Cooperation and interaction with Public Organizations of the Apparatus of the Legislative Assembly of the Leningrad Region; Prokhorenko Alexander Vladimirovich is the Deputy General Director of the Hermitage for General Issues.

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