# VITEBSK STATE ORDER OF PEOPLES' FRIENDSHIP MEDICAL UNIVERSITY

ВИТЕБСКИЙ ГОСУДАРСТВЕННЫЙ МЕДИЦИНСКИЙ УНИВЕРСИТЕТ

## ABOUT VSMU

FOUNDED IN 1934, VITEBSK STATE MEDICAL UNIVERSITY IS ONE OF THE MOST DISTINGUISHED HIGHER MEDICAL EDUCATIONAL ESTABLISHMENTS IN THE REPUBLIC OF BELARUS.

TRAINING OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS HAS BEEN CARRIED OUT IN THE UNIVERSITY SINCE 1981. OUR ALUMNI WORK SUCCESSFULLY IN MORE THAN 100 COUNTRIES AROUND THE WORLD, INCLUDING USA, CANADA, GERMANY, FRANCE, UK, AUSTRALIA, ETC. CURRENTLY, MORE THAN 6000 STUDENTS AND LISTENERS ARE TRAINED AT THE UNIVERSITY, INCLUDING MORE THAN 1700 FOREIGN CITIZENS FROM 46 COUNTRIES ALL OVER THE WORLD STUDYING AT THE OVERSEAS STUDENTS TRAINING FACULTY.

FOREIGN STUDENTS ARE OFFERED TWO LANGUAGES OF TRAINING – RUSSIAN AND ENGLISH MEDIUM. FURTHERMORE, FOREIGN SPECIALISTS CAN GET POSTGRADUATE TRAINING THROUGH MASTER COURSES, INTERNSHIP, CLINICAL RESIDENCY, AND RESEARCH POSTGRADUATE COURSES.

VSMU IS ANNUALLY INCLUDED IN THE GENERAL RELEASE OF INTERNATIONAL RATING SYSTEM. IT HAS A LEADING POSITION AMONGST THE UNIVERSITIES OF THE REPUBLIC OF BELARUS IN THE GENERAL RELEASE OF THE INTERNATIONAL RATING TIMES HIGHER EDUCATION UNIVERSITY IMPACT RANKINGS 2023 HAVING TAKEN 1501+ POSITION.

| 46+ | 1700+ | 1501+ |
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| COUNTRIES REPRESENTED AT VSMU | INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS | IMPACT RANKINGS 2023 |

## PROCESS OF TRAINING

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ARE OFFERED TWO LANGUAGES OF TRAINING – RUSSIAN AND ENGLISH MEDIUM.
STUDYING OF CLINICAL SUBJECTS IS PROVIDED IN THE FORM OF CYCLES (1-3 WEEKS EACH)

| STUDY PROGRAMME | DURATION OF TRAINING | AWARDED QUALIFICATION |
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| PREPARATORY TRAINING COURSE (ON-CAMPUS) | 8-10 MONTHS | CERTIFICATE |
| PREPARATORY TRAINING COURSE (ONLINE) | 8-10 MONTHS | CERTIFICATE |
| GENERAL MEDICINE | 6 YEARS | PHYSICIAN, MASTER OF MEDICINE |
| PEDIATRICS | 6 YEARS | PEDIATRICIAN, MASTER OF PEDIATRICS |
| STOMATOLOGY | 5 YEARS | DENTIST, MASTER OF DENTISTRY |
| PHARMACY | 5 YEARS | PHARMACEUTIST, MASTER OF PHARMACY |

### POSTGRADUATE TRAINING

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| CLINICAL RESIDENCY | 2-5 YEARS | CERTIFICATE ON SPECIALIZED TRAINING IN MEDICINE |
| MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME | 1 YEAR | MASTER OF MEDICINE |
| POSTGRADUATE STUDY | 3 YEARS | CERTIFICATE |

## TUITION FEES AND LIVING EXPENSES

**TUITION FEE AT VSMU COVERS TRAINING COSTS – LECTURES, PRACTICAL COURSES, EXAMINATIONS. TUITION FEE DOES NOT INCLUDE EXPENSES ON HOSTEL, MEDICAL POLICY AND REGISTRATION.**

| STUDY PROGRAMME | TUITION FEE |
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| PREPARATORY TRAINING COURSE (ON-CAMPUS) | 2,200 $ |
| PREPARATORY TRAINING COURSE (ONLINE) | 1,550 $ |
| GENERAL MEDICINE | 5,050 $ |
| PEDIATRICS | 4,950 $ |
| STOMATOLOGY | 4,950 $ |
| PHARMACY | 4,000 $ |

| EXPENSE | COST |
|---|---|
| ACCOMMODATION | 800 $ (per year) |
| MEDICAL CHECK-UP | 50-100 $ |
| MEDICAL INSURANCE | 200 $ (per year) |
| VISA | 140 $ |
| REGISTRATION | 50 $ |
| OTHER EXPENSES | 200-400 $ |

## OUR STUDENTS

**OUR STUDENTS COME FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD, WHICH MAKES STUDYING AT VSMU SUPER DIVERSE AND CROSS-CULTURAL**

## A DIVERSE, INTERNATIONAL STUDENT COMMUNITY

- Azerbaijan
- Bangladesh
- Brazil
- Great Britain
- Ghana
- Germany
- Egypt
- Zimbabwe
- Yemen
- Israel
- India
- Jordan
- Iraq
- Iran
- Ethiopia
- Ireland
- Spain
- Italy
- Kazakhstan
- Cameroon
- Canada
- Congo
- Côte d'Ivoire
- Kenya
- Lebanon
- Libya
- Lithuania
- Malaysia
- Maldives
- Morocco
- Nigeria
- Pakistan
- Palestine
- Poland
- Russia
- Syria
- Sudan
- Tanzania
- Turkmenistan
- Turkey
- Uzbekistan
- Ukraine
- France
- Sri Lanka
- Ecuador

## WHAT OUR STUDENTS SAY

**SASANKA DASANAYAKE**

*Sri Lanka*

Vitebsk State Medical University is one of the most famous universities in my country for overseas students to study. Futhermore, the success rate of the graduates of VSMU working in Sri Lanka is also higher compared to the other options I had. Besides, I've been wanting to study in a country with proper seasonal changes, so I chose VSMU as the best options among the others.

**SANDRA AKPEVWE EGBEGBEDIA**

*Nigeria*

VSMU had and still does have a fantastic reputation for its academics. Alongside the incredible cultural variety, I believed it was the best place for me to develop academically and as a young adult. This university gave me lasting friendships, and the strength and knowledge that I am able to achieve my goals no matter the obstacles faced.

**BOOLAD MOHAMAD**

*Lebanon*

I chose VSMU knowingly because here, at the university, a good training base has been created and the educational process for training of foreign citizens has been competently arranged. At first, I had certain difficulties: I didn't know the Russian language, and I did't have any acquaintances in Belarus. In addition to my studies, I'm fond of music, hunting, fishing, doing active sports, which helped me find many friends and learn Russian well.

# HOW TO APPLY TO VSMU

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## STEP ONE: ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS.

To sit for entrance tests, the applicant should send to the Admission Committee of VSMU the following documents via email (admission@vsmu.by):

- Application addressed to the Vice-Rector of the University;
- Valid passport with period of validity no less than 1 year;
- Document of complete secondary education with above-average results in Biology and Chemistry;
- The Admission Committee may also request a bank statement or a guarantee letter from a parent/sponsor indicating that the applicant's education will be paid for.

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## STEP TWO: INVITATION FOR ADMISSION TESTS.

**The Admission Committee** checks the documents and ensures that the applicant fulfills the admission criteria. If they do, the applicant will recieve Confirmation of Admission allowing them to take entrance exams.

**Admission tests** will comprise of an interview in the language of instruction of the program (Russian or English) and online tests in two profession-oriented subjects (Biology and Chemistry). Examinations will be held online starting from the middle of July.

**The decision for admission** into the university will be made within 5 days of the entrance exams being taken. If the applicant passes exams well, there will be no need for a Preparatory Course.

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## STEP THREE: INVITATION FOR EDUCATION.

The citizens from countries of visa regime must get an invitation for education to apply for the Belarusian visa.
We will be able to provide the applicant with an invitation letter only after they are officially enrolled at the university.
**Note!** The invitation issued by the university is the ground for visa processing.

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## STEP FOUR: ARRIVAL FOR EDUCATION.

The citizens who will receive a visa at the Consular Department of the Minsk National Airport are required to notify the university about the date of arrival and itinerary of travel **15 days prior** to their arrival.
Visas will ONLY be issued to those who provide all the required documents.
Upon arrival in Belarus, an applicant must hand in their passport to the Admission Committee for registration within 3 working days.

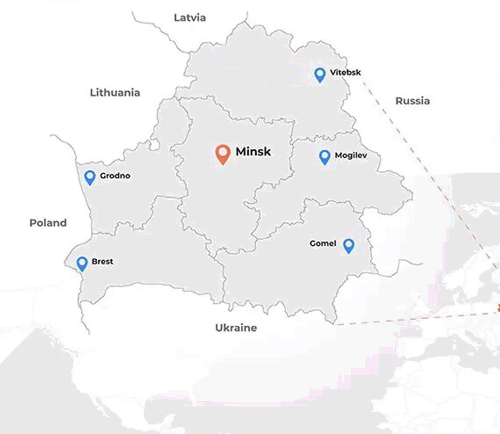
## REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR ADMISSION

- Application for admission in the chosen specialty;
- Valid passport with period of validity no less than 1 year;
- Legalized secondary school certificate
- Medical certificate and the certificate with HIV negative test;
- Notarized copy of birth certificate;
- 6 photos (3x4)

**All these documents must be with official translations into Russian, the translations of the passport and school certificate must be notarized.**

# USEFUL INFORMATION

## Republic of Belarus



**Population**
9,5 mil.

**Capital city**
Minsk

**National currency**
Belarusian ruble (BYN)

**Time zone**
GMT+3

**Official languages**
Belarusian
Russian

**Weather in Belarus**

| Season | Temperature |
|---|---|
| Autumn | 0° — +12° |
| Winter | -25° — -5° |
| Spring | +5° — +15° |
| Summer | +15° — +30° |

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