

Announcement for academic year 2020-2021 and accommodation process

When will the academic year start?

For the majority of international students the academic year will start as usual on September 1, 2020. However, the first-year students admitted in September and October will respectively begin their studies on October, 1 and November, 1. At the same time, until the restrictions imposed to confront the spread of the novel coronavirus infection are lifted, all international students continuing their studies or newly enrolled in 2020 and **remaining outside the Russian Federation at the beginning of the academic year on September 1, 2020**, possess the opportunity to master educational programs exclusively with the use of e-learning outside the premises of the educational institution without entering the territory of the Russian Federation.

For such students traditional lectures and seminars will be held at the Microsoft Teams system in accordance with the schedule. Moreover, digital educational resources –video lessons and all the necessary academic materials - will be available online.

Please, follow these steps to apply for distance studies:

Step 1: Open your user account. Address the dean's office (academic office) of the institute/higher school/faculty you are enrolled in. Contacts can be found on the institutes' pages.

Step 2: Get to know the class schedule. Class timetable can be found in your personal profile and at the web page of your institute/higher school/faculty. To enter your personal profile, use your account data (see Step 1). There are links to Microsoft Teams and other digital resources (platforms) for your classes in the timetable. Online interaction with teachers is organized in Microsoft Teams. You can talk to your teacher online or ask any questions arising during the classes.

All up-to-date information can be found on the [Students website](#).

When will it be possible to enter the territory of the Russian Federation?

Entry to the territory of the Russian Federation will be possible only after the restrictions are lifted. Naturally, the corresponding decision to lift the restrictions will be made taking into account the development of the epidemic situation in Russia and abroad.

If currently you remain outside the territory of the Russian Federation and you need visa to enter the Russian Federation, you will be issued a visa invitation as soon as the restrictions on the issuance of invitations and visas introduced by the government of the Russian Federation due to the pandemic situation are lifted. Information about this will be posted on the KFU website. After obtaining your visa, you will be able to enter the territory of the Russian Federation.

If you do not require visa to enter the Russian Federation, you will need to wait until the restrictions on the entry of foreign citizens into the Russian Federation imposed by the Order of the Russian Government are lifted and then enter the territory of the Russian Federation in accordance with the established procedure.

Highly important information!

[According to the decision of the state authorities of the Russian Federation](#), starting from August 1, 2020, **additional rules and measures** for all foreign citizens arriving in Russia are introduced to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

They are:

1. Obligatory COVID-19 testing before arrival in the Russian Federation

All foreign citizens must take a COVID-19 test before travelling to Russia. The test must be taken within 72 hours before arrival in the Russian Federation

A certificate that indicates negative for a COVID-19 test may be required to be demonstrated when leaving your home country or at the border control in Russia.

A medical document that indicates negative for a COVID-19 PCR (Polymerase chain reaction) test, taken within 72 hours before arrival in the Russian Federation, can be presented in Russian or English. If it is impossible to submit such document in Russian or English, it is allowed to submit it in the official language of the state of registration of the organization that issued such medical document together with its translation into Russian, certified by a consular officer of the Russian Federation

In order to ensure sanitary and quarantine control at checkpoints across the state border of the Russian Federation you are to fill in a form for new arrivals before entering the territory of the Russian Federation.

2. Mandatory self-isolation and repeated COVID-19 testing upon arrival in the Russian Federation

14-day self-isolation period is required for all international students from the day of entering the territory of the Russian Federation. For those international students who have entered the territory of Russia and live in the dormitories of KFU, isolation will be arranged in places of living.

You will not be allowed to attend classes in the academic buildings of the university within the isolation period and will pursue your studies via digital learning resources and technologies. In compliance with the current requirements of Rospotrebnadzor (Federal Service for Surveillance on Consumer Rights Protection and Human Wellbeing) students can join the classes after 14-day self-isolation with COVID-19 test taken on the 10-12 day of isolation. You can take the test at UNIVERSITY CLINIC OF KFU, 2A Vishnevskogo Str.

3. Obligatory using of the protection masks in the buildings of KFU

Information on further steps upon arrival in Kazan Federal University is [here](#)

- *Detailed information for 1st year students* [here](#)
- *Detailed information for senior students* [here](#)

**Helpline for international students on the start of the studies
(from Monday to Friday from 08:00 to 17:00, Moscow time)**

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We are looking forward to meeting you at Kazan Federal University!