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Ural Federal University (Ekaterinburg, Russia) is pleased to present two new Summer School programs in Russian Studies which are aimed at receiving new knowledge in the academic field, mastering Russian language and getting acquainted with the Russian lifestyle and unique culture.

"The Demidov Express"

Within the framework of The Global Education Initiative BRICS Ural Federal University (Ekaterinburg, Russia) and the Higher School of Economics (Saint-Petersburg, Russia) invite foreign students to join **the Summer School program "The Demidov Express".**

"The Demidov Express" is the first Summer School held in two Russia's leading universities: Ural Federal University and the Higher School of Economics.

The three-week Summer School - from July, 6 until July, 26, 2015 - provides its participants with a unique combination of following opportunities:

- exploring the political, economic, social, cultural and civilizational and other features of the Member States of the BRICS, analyzing their interaction in a globalizing world;
- improving the level of Russian language (different levels from A1 to C1);
- visiting two significant cities of Russia: Ekaterinburg and Saint-Petersburg (10 days in each spot);
- having unforgettable guided train-"training" on the board of the "Demidov Express" train;
- joining cultural program with the huge variety of extracurricular activities.

The application deadline is May, 1st, 2015. The course fee is 500 euro. Upon completion UrFU's and HSE's certificates with 4 credits are given.

"The Russian Studies in Real Russia: Talents for Talents"

The Summer School 'Talents for Talents' provided by Ural Federal University (Ekaterinburg, Russia)-**July, 26 -August, 16-** makes the emphasis on the individual basic human, academic and business needs of the learners, the opportunities to make a quick language progress and get an unforgettable cultural experience.

- **1. The Intensive Course of Russian as a Foreign Language:** The new program includes: more hours on Russian as a foreign language (60 hours per three weeks); the Outdoor practical seminars; opportunities to have extra classes with leading UrFU tutors; individual learning materials.
- **2. Workshops and Practical Seminars**: During the summer program students are free to choose one of the specialized Workshops: 1)Business and Economics of Russia; 2)Russian Culture and Literature; 3)History and Sociology of Russia; 4)Russian Media and Politics and have practical seminars with the leading professors of UrFU, achieve a deep understanding of social and cultural context of Russia.
- **3.** Cultural program and extracurricular activities: the course will be presented in the local social and cultural context. It gives a chance to discuss some topics on the spot, to visit the best places of interest both in Ekaterinburg and the Ural region, practicing Russian language in academic and informal environment.

The application deadline is June, 1st, 2015. The course fee is 20200 rubles. Upon completion UrFU's certificate with 4 credits is given.