

2. St Petersburg University

History of Foundation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1724 foundation of the St. Petersburg Academy • 1804 -1819 officially disbanded as the new St Petersburg Academy Charter stipulated no educational institutions affiliated with it • 1819 reorganization of the Main Pedagogical Institute with its Twelve Collegia building into Saint Petersburg University (three faculties: Faculty of Philosophy and Law, Faculty of History and Philology and Faculty of Physics and Mathematics) • 1821 – 1917 St Petersburg Imperial University • 1824 - the first charter of the Saint Petersburg Imperial University (a modified version of the charter of Moscow University) • 1918 – 1939 Petrograd University • 1948 Soviet Period – Leningrad State University • 1992 St Petersburg University
Present-day Situation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • leading research university in Russia, known for its strong academic programs in various fields (natural sciences, social sciences, humanities, and engineering) • 24 specialized faculties (departments) and institutes, the Academic Gymnasium, the Medical College, the College of Physical Culture and Sports, Economics and Technology • 13,000 Administrative staff; 26,872 undergraduates, 5,566 postgraduates • a global leader in science and innovation • a wide range of undergraduate and graduate programs in various fields (natural sciences, engineering, social sciences, humanities, and business) • Notable Alumni: 9 Nobel laureates, Chess Champion, famous writers
Location and Campus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St. Petersburg • 2 primary campuses (urban) on Vasilievsky Island in the historic city center and in Peterhof (1996 - new southwestern suburban campus) • Main Building (Twelve Collegia): the Library, the Faculty of Biology, the Institute of Earth Sciences • Park area Sergievka in the Peterhof Campus – Faculty of Biology • The new suburban campus in Peterhof: Faculty of Applied Mathematics and Control Processes, Institute of Chemistry, Faculty of Mathematics and Mechanics, and Faculty of Physics
Projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • access to cultural events, internships and job opportunities • big annual projects on Mega-grants from Russian Government projects for high-technology production • various international events: conferences, seminars, research initiatives • collaboration with international universities and organizations