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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Please provide personal information as it appears/will appear on your passport and contact information you would like us to use for correspondence regarding your Russian Program Abroad (RPA) application.

E-mail will be the main form of communication so please check your spam settings accordingly.

Last Name:

First Name:

Preferred Name:

Address:

City:

Province:

Postal Code:

E-mail:

Phone Number:

Passport expiry date:

Permanent Address (if different from above):

City:

Province:

Postal Code:

CITIZENSHIP STATUS

Canadian Citizen

Permanent Resident (Landed Immigrant)

Study Permit (International Students)

Country of Citizenship (if not Canadian):

Date of Birth:

Place of Birth:

ACADEMIC INFORMATION***Minimum Eligibility Requirements: Full time student at a Canadian University***

Name of Current Academic Institution:

Faculty:

Program:

Major/Minor:

Current Year:

Current GPA:

Signature:

Date:

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS**

You are required to submit one official copy of all transcripts from each university or college attended. Transcripts for Dalhousie University are not required as they are already on file.

Official transcripts must be provided in a sealed envelope. They may be received directly from the issuing institution to the Russian Program Abroad prior to the deadline at the address below.

RUSSIAN ACADEMIC REFERENCES

Name and contact information of two academic references. They should be from persons familiar with your academic background and your Russian language ability; one at least should be a teacher of Russian with whom you are currently studying.

Reference letters should be submitted directly by the referee to the Russian Program Abroad prior to the application deadline. Letters can be mailed to the address provided, or emailed to rpa@dal.ca

Referee #1 Name/Title:

E-mail:

Phone Number:

Referee #2 Name/Title:

E-mail:

Phone Number:

ENGLISH/FRENCH ESSAY

2 pages, typewritten and double-spaced.

Include information on your future educational and professional plans and what steps you have taken and will be taking to achieve these goals. How do you plan to arrange your Russian studies leading up to the summer term?

RUSSIAN ESSAY

2 pages, typewritten and double-spaced.

Write an autobiography in Russian, with no assistance other than the use of a dictionary. Include a description of your academic and non-academic interests and activities in the autobiography.

The completed Application Form and both essays should be submitted via email to rpa@dal.ca prior to the deadline – please ensure that you rename your application files to LastName_DocumentType

PASSPORT CHECK

Passports must be valid for at least two years after your planned date of departure from Russia. If your passport expires prior to that, you will need to renew your passport right away.

If you are accepted to the program, we will require a scanned page from the updated passport, and will also temporarily require your physical passport to obtain your Russian visa.

FINANCIAL AID

Financial aid for the Russian Program Abroad is very limited. You are urged to investigate thoroughly scholarship and loan opportunities on your own campus or through civic groups in your home and school communities. Your campus financial administrator and study abroad advisor can assist you with this.

Dalhousie students may be eligible for financial assistance through SWIF – the Study Work International Fund. Contact the Study Abroad and Exchange Advisor (Outgoing Students) at the International Centre (902-494-1566), or visit their website.

TELEPHONE INTERVIEW

All applicants will be interviewed by telephone in English and Russian. Interviews may be conducted during the day or evening. We will be in contact by e-mail to arrange a mutually convenient time.

GRAMMAR EXAM

Following the telephone interview, applicants may be required to take a grammar exam. In case it's decided that a grammar exam will be administered, you will be asked to provide contact information for an instructor who would be able to proctor the exam and to whom it could be sent at your University.

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