



**FACULTY
OF HUMANITIES AND
SOCIAL SCIENCES**



REGIONAL STUDIES

**DUAL DEGREE PROGRAM WITH THE DALIAN
UNIVERSITY OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES (DLUFL)**

M.A. IN AREA STUDIES



PROGRAM ADVANTAGES

- ✔ Knowledge of the specifics of economic and political processes in China and the CIS allows graduates to work in any public institution in their respective countries or globally.
- ✔ First year program is done in Chinese at a partner university – the Dalian Institute of Foreign Languages (PRC), which allows Russian students to improve their level of knowledge of the Chinese language; second year program is done in Russian at RUDN University, which allows foreign students to deepen their understanding of the Russian language and Russian academic culture.
- ✔ Thanks to the international composition of the study group, students are building their own network of professional international contacts already at the university.
- ✔ A large number of individual and group creative projects is organized.
- ✔ Scientific and expert conferences are regularly held at the interuniversity, national and international level.



STUDYING PROCESS

120 ECTS credits.

Lectures, practical exercises and several types of internship.



ACTUAL SOCIO-ECONOMIC PROBLEMS OF RUSSIA AND NEIGHBORING STATES (CIS)

- A comprehensive study of the current socio-economic problems of Russia and neighboring states in the context of globalization and regionalization; the formation of skills for research of the current socio-economic situation in the post-Soviet space; the formation of a comprehensive view on the current socio-economic status and development prospects of Russia in cooperation with other CIS countries; consideration of the risks that Russia is facing in its development in the 21st century and the possibility of minimizing them.



POLITICAL SYSTEMS AND CULTURES IN THE CIS / EAST ASIA

- Institutional and legal structure of the CIS / East Asia.
- Economic interaction of the CIS / East Asia countries.
- Cooperation of the CIS / East Asia states in defense and security.
- Multi-speed and multi-format integration processes in the CIS / East Asia.
- Territorial conflicts in the post-Soviet space / East Asia and the problems of their settlement.



RUSSIAN POLITICS IN THE CIS / EAST ASIA

- The evolution of the Russian foreign policy strategy in 1991–2019.
- The main stages of the development of Russian policy in the CIS / East Asia.
- Vision of the place and role of the CIS / East Asia countries in the foreign policy of Russia.
- The main components of Russia's interest in the CIS / East Asia.
- Interest groups in Russian foreign policy and their understanding of interaction with the CIS / East Asia countries.
- Ensuring political, military, economic, humanitarian and legal stability in the CIS / East Asia.



INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM AS A CHALLENGE IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

- The course aims to give a holistic view of international terrorism as a threat to international security; to study the origins and essence of terrorism; to consider the main trends in modern terrorism; to explore the role of Russia in countering international terrorism; to study foreign experience in countering terrorism.



ETHNIC AND RELIGIOUS DIVERSITY OF RUSSIA AND NEIGHBORING REGIONS (CIS)

- Introduction to Ethnology.
- Basic ethnological theories.
- Fundamentals of Ethnic Psychology.
- Ethnic identity and ethnonyms.
- Classifications of ethnic processes.
- Classifications of the peoples of the world.
- The peoples of Russia and the CIS.
- Slavic peoples.
- Non-Slavic peoples of European Russia.
- The peoples of the North Caucasus and Transcaucasia.
- The peoples of Siberia and the Far East.
- The peoples of Central Asia.



STUDENTS FEEDBACK



WANG HANNI, CHINA

“ I graduated from the dual master’s program at the Dalian University of Foreign Languages and the Peoples’ Friendship University of Russia. It is worth noting a friendly team of teachers ready to help at any time. It was possible to make new friends around the world, previously it was not possible to meet so many foreigners. I would like to pay special attention to scientific conferences that were periodically held at the department of Theory and History of IR. Among other things, there was the opportunity to attend lectures by experts invited from outside, including leading Sinologists of Russia working at the Russian Foreign Ministry. Also grateful to RUDN University for the opportunity to participate in conferences and publish articles. ”



LI CHENG, CHINA

“ I studied at the dual master’s program in the framework of the SCO University at the Dalian University of Foreign Languages and at RUDN University. The first year we studied at DUFL, where I studied Russian. In the second year I arrived at RUDN University, where I continued to study Russian in depth. I think it was a good opportunity to immerse yourself in language learning. Teachers of the Russian language were very attentive. As a result, I was able to greatly raise my level of the Russian language.

In addition, very comfortable living conditions. The University has a large and beautiful campus. The hostels are located next to the educational building, it is very convenient. There were many foreigners on the campus, including Chinese, so I was not bored.

I would also like to note the teachers of the department of theory and history of international relations. Thanks to them, I was able to comprehensively study the culture, politics and economy of Russia and the CIS countries. I never even thought that I could write and defend a thesis in Russian! But thanks to RUDN and its professors, I was able to do this! And even more pleasantly, I received two master’s degrees from two world best universities! ”



ACADEMIC DIRECTOR OF THE PROGRAMME

KURYLEV KONSTANTIN PETROVICH



Doctor of Historical Sciences, Professor, Department of Theory and History of International Relations. Member of The University Association for Contemporary European Studies (UACES) (United Kingdom) (since 2011); Member of EU-Russia Collaborative Research Network (United Kingdom) (since 2011). Member of International Studies Association (since 2017). Member of Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES), USA (since 2018).

Theme of the doctoral dissertation:

“The foreign policy concept of Ukraine in the context of the formation of the European security system (1991–2014)”.

FIELDS OF SCIENTIFIC INTERESTS:

modern international relations, modern foreign policy of Russia, foreign policy of Ukraine, terrorism, political, economic and integration processes in the CIS.

The author of more than 70 scientific papers, including scientific articles in peer-reviewed Russian and foreign scientific journals (Higher Attestation Commission, SCOPUS, Web of Science), regularly gives speeches at international conferences on foreign policy of Russia and the CIS countries. Co-author of the textbook “Foreign Policy of the CIS Countries”, monograph “Foreign Policy of Georgia in the South Caucasus: 1991–2016”.

Author of monographs “Ukrainian Crisis and International Security”, “Political Portrait of A.I. Kononov”, “Conceptual foundations of the foreign policy of Russian liberals in the early twentieth century.”

Deputy editor-in-chief of the scientific journal Vestnik RUDN. International Relations. He regularly takes part as a representative of the department of Theory and History of International Relations of the RUDN University in the annual Sessions of the Council of FUMO of Russian universities on education in the field of international relations at MGIMO (U) of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation. Recipient of grants from Russian and foreign scientific foundations for conducting research and organizing scientific events.