

Foreign citizens applying for PhD studies must hold a **Master's degree**, predisposition towards scientific research as evidenced by scientific publications or other materials, participation in conferences, research and innovative projects.

PhD applicants who want to enroll in postgraduate (PhD) programmes in the pedagogical specialties **are required to have higher pedagogical education and practical experience in the field of education for at least two years.**

PhD applicants who want to master postgraduate (PhD) programmes in the part-time or degree-seeking forms of getting education are required to have **not less than two years' practical experience.**

The necessary condition for admission of foreign citizens to postgraduate (PhD) programmes with training in Russian (Belarusian) is the knowledge of the Russian (Belarusian) language at a level sufficient for mastering the appropriate educational programme in the framework of postgraduate education.

Foreign citizens who want to get postgraduate education may submit documents to PhD courses throughout the academic year after preliminary coordination with the Department of International Cooperation of BSPU.

Foreign citizens are enrolled in PhD courses on a paid basis in accordance with the results of the interview. The cost of training is set individually and is approximately 4300–4400 dollars per year.

At the end of the training a state-issued diploma is granted in English and Russian and a scientific qualification “Researcher” is awarded.

The Department of PhD studies of BSPU is ready to accept foreign postgraduate students for internships in the context of the international academic mobility in science and research.

The Belarusian State Pedagogical University named after Maxim Tank is the leading institution of higher education in the national system of teacher training. PhD programmes for highly qualified scientists have been available at BSPU since 1934 and Grand PhD programmes – since 1992.

The Belarusian State Pedagogical University named after Maxim Tank has sufficient staff resources, a scientific and methodological basis, all the necessary facilities that can ensure compliance with the relevant requirements for the educational process, the choice of a PhD research topic, the level of scientific supervision, the procedures of preliminary examination as well as the functioning of Thesis Defence Councils. People who want to master PhD and Grand PhD programmes provided by BSPU can make use of a powerful potential of **13 research schools** in the field of humanities, social and natural sciences.

BSPU provides a good opportunity to actively write and publish scientific papers, participate in research programmes, international projects, competitions, conferences, seminars and internships.

When doing PhD programmes, you can:

- ✦ learn to do research on your own;
- ✦ acquire the ability to organize and implement large-scale research projects;
- ✦ get the opportunity to establish useful contacts in the scientific and educational environment in the Republic of Belarus and abroad.

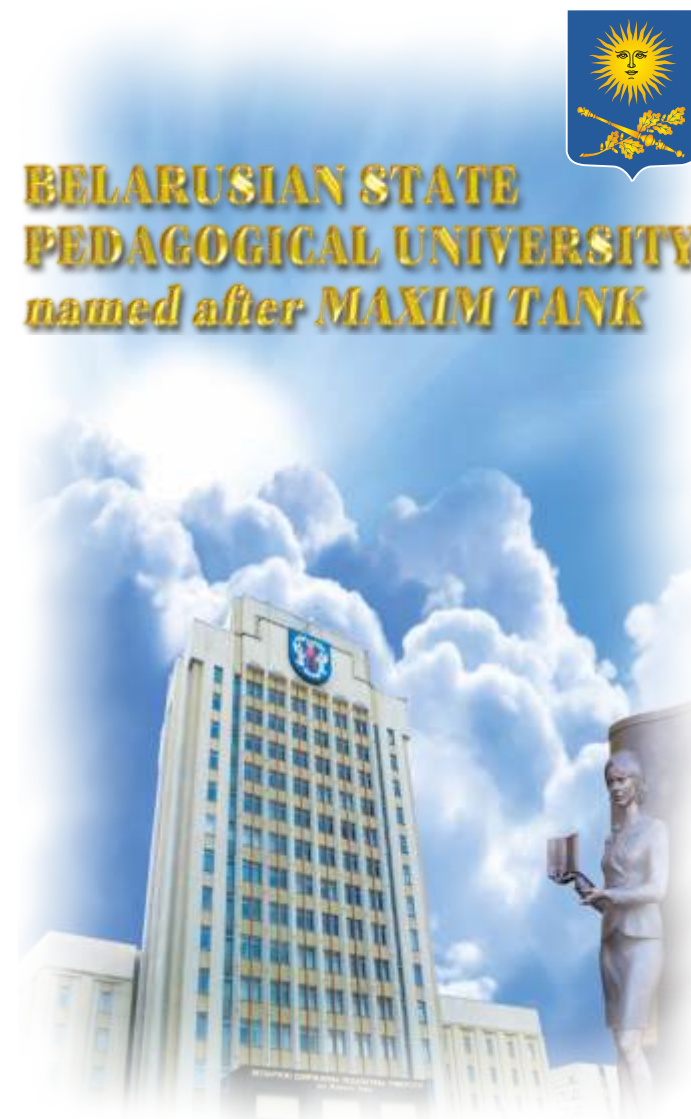
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PhD studies

The Department of PhD studies of the education institution “Belarusian State Pedagogical University named after Maxim Tank” provides training in 38 scientific specialties in the framework of 12 branches of science:

01.00.00 - PHYSICS AND MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES

- 01.01.01 - Substantial, complex and functional analysis
- 01.01.02 - Differential equations, dynamical systems and optimal control
- 01.01.06 - Mathematical logic, algebra and number theory
- 01.01.09 - Discrete mathematics and mathematical cybernetics
- 01.04.07 - Condensed matter physics

02.00.00 - CHEMICAL SCIENCES

- 02.00.01 - Inorganic chemistry
- 02.00.03 - Organic chemistry*

03.00.00 - BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

- 03.01.05 - Plant physiology and biochemistry
- 03.02.01 - Botany
- 03.02.07 - Genetics

- 03.02.08 - Ecology (by fields)*

07.00.00 - HISTORICAL SCIENCES

- 07.00.02 - National history
- 07.00.03 - World history (the corresponding period)**
- 07.00.09 - Historiography, source study and methods of historical research

08.00.00 - ECONOMIC SCIENCES

- 08.00.01 - Economic theory

09.00.00 - PHILOSOPHICAL SCIENCES

- 09.00.11 - Social philosophy

10.00.00 - PHILOLOGICAL SCIENCES

- 10.01.01 - Belarusian literature
- 10.01.02 - Russian literature
- 10.01.03 - Literature of the peoples of foreign countries (with indication of concrete literature)*
- 10.01.09 - Folklore
- 10.02.01 - Belarusian language
- 10.02.02 - Russian language
- 10.02.19 - Theory of language
- 10.02.20 - Comparative-Historical, Typological and Correlative Linguistics

13.00.00 - PEDAGOGICAL SCIENCES

- 13.00.01 - General pedagogy, history of pedagogy and education
- 13.00.02 - Theory and methods of training and education (in areas and cycles of education)
- 13.00.03 - Correctional pedagogy (sign language education and typhlopedagogy, oligophrenopedagogy and speech therapy)*
- 13.00.04 - Theory and methods of physical education, sport training, rehabilitative and adaptive physical education
- 13.00.08 - Theory and methods of vocational education

19.00.00 - PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCES

- 19.00.01 - General psychology, personality psychology, history of psychology*
- 19.00.05 - Social psychology*
- 19.00.07 - Educational psychology
- 19.00.10 - Correctional psychology*
- 19.00.13 - Developmental psychology, acmeology

23.00.00 - POLITICAL SCIENCES

- 23.00.02 - Political institutions, processes and technologies

24.00.00 - CULTUROLOGY

- 24.00.01 - Theory and history of culture

25.00.00 - EARTH SCIENCES

- 25.03.01 - Physical geography and biogeography, soil geography and landscape geochemistry
- 25.03.02 - Economic, social, political and recreational geography

* training can be provided in English

** training can be provided in English and German

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Full-time form	Part-time form	Degree-seeking form
Up to 3 years	Up to 4 years	Up to 5 years

Foreign citizens who want to enroll in PhD programmes must submit an application in the prescribed form addressed to the Rector of BSPU and attach the following documents:

- ✘ Personnel record card with a photograph attached.
- ✘ Autobiography.
- ✘ The copies of the Diploma of Higher Education and the Master's Diploma as well as the copies of the academic transcripts attached to them.
- ✘ The certificate of recognition of foreign Higher Education (HE) Diploma and establishment of its equivalence to Belarusian HE Diplomas issued by the Republican Institute of Higher Education of the Republic of Belarus (address: Minsk, 15 Moskovskaya str., office 219, tel.: + 375 17 228-13-13, web-site: <http://www.nihe.bsu.by>).
- ✘ The copy of the Certificate of Candidate's Credits and Examinations in general subjects passed on the territory of the Republic of Belarus.
- ✘ Recommendation of the Academic Council of the higher education institution (Faculty) for the people who apply for a PhD course the same year that they have graduated from the higher education institution.
- ✘ The copy of the employment book or other documents confirming the experience of practical work.
- ✘ The list and copies of published scientific papers (if any) or a scientific abstract devoted to the issues directly connected with the chosen specialty.
- ✘ The PhD interview sheet including a review of a scientific abstract or publications covering the issues of the chosen specialty, as well as the information about the prospective research topic and the scientific supervisor.
- ✘ The conclusion of the medical advisory commission including the results of obligatory medical examination issued by a territorial health organization of the Republic of Belarus.
- ✘ Medical assessment of health status and a certificate of absence of HIV-infection issued by an official health authority of the country from which a PhD applicant has arrived.
- ✘ A copy of a passport or a substitute document, a document confirming the right of residence on the territory of the Republic of Belarus.
- ✘ A copy of the obligatory health insurance contract.

The identity document and the original educational certificates are presented by a PhD applicant in person.

The above mentioned documents executed in a foreign language must be accompanied by translation into Belarusian or Russian certified by a notary on the territory of the Republic of Belarus.