



## COUNTRY-SPECIFIC INFORMATION SHEET FOR RUSSIA

### Universities and Other Higher Education Institutions Recognized in Prince Edward Island (PEI)

Only those higher education institutions that are established or approved by an appropriate educational authority (usually a government body) are recognized by the PEI Office of the Registrar.

In the case of Russia, we recognize those higher education institutions that are established or approved by national government authority.

Russia's Ministry of Education and Science includes on its website a list of all recognized and accredited higher education institutions which are authorized to issue qualifications. If your higher education institution is found on that list, then most likely we recognize it.

For a link to the particular webpage containing that aforementioned list, see:

<http://www.russianenic.ru/english/cred/spisok.html>

And to verify if an unaccredited institution is recognized or approved by the national government, contact the Ministry of Education and Science. Its contact information is found below:

#### Ministry of Education and Science's Contact Information

**Phone:**

+7 (495) 629-70-62

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+7 (495) 629-08-91

**Email:**

[info@higher-edu.gov.lb](mailto:info@higher-edu.gov.lb)

**Website:**

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**Address**

Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation, 16  
Sadovaya-Sukharevskaya Street, Moscow, K-51, GSP-4, 127994  
RUSSIA

## **Pre-Service Teacher Education Programs Recognized in Prince Edward Island**

Only those pre-service teacher education programs that are recognized or approved by an appropriate educational authority (usually a government body) in your country are recognized by the PEI Office of the Registrar.

In the case of Russia, we recognize those pre-service teacher education programs that are recognized or approved by national government authority.

In general, the Ministry of Education and Science and/or one of its agencies are responsible for recognizing or approving pre-service teacher education programs. Hence, the Ministry of Education and Science's website includes a list of all recognized and accredited higher education institutions which are authorized to issue qualifications. If the higher education institution where you completed your pre-service teacher education program is found on that list, then most likely we recognize it.

Furthermore, to verify if a recognized and accredited institution's teacher education program is recognized or approved by the national government, contact the Ministry of Education and Science and the relevant higher education institution.

And to verify if an unaccredited institution's teacher education program is recognized or approved by the national government, contact the Ministry of Education and Science.

See the section **Universities and Other Higher Education Institutions Recognized in Prince Edward Island (PEI)**, above, for the Ministry of Education and Science's contact information and for a link to the particular webpage containing that aforementioned list of all recognized and accredited higher education institutions.

## **Specific Programs Not Recognized in Prince Edward Island**

Any programs that do not meet our minimum requirements for an acceptable teacher education program will be not recognized.

## **Obtaining Academic Records**

In Russia academic records or official transcripts are issued by universities and other higher education institutions.

When seeking to obtain your academic records or official transcripts you are generally required to submit a **written request by fax, email or post** to your university's Academic Records Division. Your full name, date of birth and student ID number (if known) should be included. Generally, information cannot be provided over the phone.

Academic records or official transcripts must be mailed directly to us from every higher education institution you have attended. We will not accept transcripts submitted by you even if they are sealed or notarized. We will not accept transcripts by fax or email. Transcripts received must be in the original language of issue.

If the PEI Office of the Registrar receives transcripts in languages other than English or French, we will send a copy to you. You will need to have the documents translated into either English or French and send the original translations to us.

### **Obtaining Statements of Professional Standing**

A Statement of Professional Standing is a document that states you are a teacher in good standing and that your teaching license has never been revoked, cancelled, or suspended for any disciplinary reasons. This document usually comes from the government body or other licensing body that oversees teachers.

A Statement of Professional Standing is required and may be obtained from Ministry of Education and Science. Additional Statements of Professional Standing are required from jurisdictions where you have held or hold a teaching certificate. All Statements of Professional Standing must be mailed directly to the PEI Office of the Registrar.

See the section **Universities and Other Higher Education Institutions Recognized in Prince Edward Island (PEI)**, above, for the Ministry of Education and Science's contact information

### **Teaching Certificate**

Teaching certificates are not issued in Russia. Instead, the PEI Office of the Registrar will accept a photocopy of your teacher education diploma or degree.

### **Credit Hour Equivalencies**

Russia has no national credit system. Universities and other higher education institutions have their own credit systems.

Because credit systems in Russia can vary between higher education institutions, the PEI Office of the Registrar calculates the credit hour equivalencies for each application on a case-by-case basis.

### **Other Pertinent Information**

#### ***Years of Scholary and Year 12 Equivalent***

In order to be eligible for certification as a teacher in PEI you are required to have a minimum of 16 Years of Scholary, which includes completion of your Year 12 equivalent (also known as Grade 12 or High School equivalent). Generally, a Year of Scholary is earned for every year of formal education you have completed, beginning with Year 1 education at the elementary or primary school level.

Because Years of Scholary and Year 12 equivalence can vary so much between countries and even within them, the PEI Office of the Registrar calculates the Years of Scholary and Year 12 equivalence for each application on a case-by-case basis.

#### ***Language Proficiency***

You do not need to provide satisfactory results on a language proficiency test if you have

completed *all* of your post-secondary education in English or French.

In Russia, Russian is typically the language of instruction; hence, in most cases, applicants who have completed their post-secondary education in Russia will be required to provide satisfactory results on a recognized English or French language proficiency test as a condition of certification. For more information on language proficiency, including acceptable tests and test scores, see our **Resource Guide: "Welcoming Internationally Educated Teachers to PEI."**

The **Resource Guide** is available online on the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development's website. See the following link:

<http://www.gov.pe.ca/eecd/index.php3?number=1027691>