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GSD STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMMES IN RUSSIA: MGIMO & DIPLOMATIC ACADEMY OF MFA

GSD offers you the option to do a Student Exchange Program at one of our partner institutions in Russia; the Diplomatic Academy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs or Moscow State Institute of International Relations (MGIMO).

The Diplomatic Academy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation is a diplomatic institution established in 1934 to teach and train the diplomatic and consular staff of Soviet foreign service and initially set up at the People's Commissariat for Foreign Affairs of the USSR. The Diplomatic Academy is one of the most prestigious educational institutions in Russia. Individuals assigned to high ranking positions in foreign service such as ambassadors, counselors, envoys, consuls general, and representatives at international organizations are trained at the academy. Well known diplomats and political office holders are among academy alumni.

Moscow State Institute of International Relations, often abbreviated as **MGIMO**, is an academic institution run by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Russia, which is widely considered the most elite university in Russia. It was dubbed the "Harvard of Russia" by Henry Kissinger, because it educates so many of Russia's political, economic, and intellectual elite. Currently, it has the lowest acceptance rate and the highest test scores of any university in the country.

MGIMO is the oldest and the most renowned school in Russia for preparing students for careers in international relations and diplomacy. Many of the current professors were ambassadors or ministers.

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