

Belarus State Economic University



Belarus State Economic University – is one of the biggest higher educational institutions in Belarus, training specialists in the area of business administration, economics and law.

Founded in 1933, Belarus State Economic University has prepared more than 60 thousand specialists working in all branches of economy in Belarus and abroad.

Belarus State Economic University was awarded the status of the leading higher educational institution in Belarus. About 15 thousand students and post-graduates study in the University.

Belarus State Economic University is an educational and scientific organization with a developed infrastructure: 10 Departments, the Higher School of Business Management, the Higher School of Tourism, the Branch in Bobruisk, Accounting Centre, Consulting Commerce Centre, 35 chairs, research labs, a publishing complex, campus, trade complex and other units.

Instruction and research are carried out by 700 lecturers and tutors. More than 60% of them hold scientific degrees and honors.

The faculty members of Belarus State Economic University are constantly working on improving the already high level of instruction. New majors are being introduced, curriculum is being renewed, technical equipment is being improved.

Our goal is to provide fundamental training and a creative approach to teaching in order to create conditions for the development of students' individual aptitudes. Great attention is given to the development of interdisciplinary courses and creative work, wide use of interactive forms of instruction, and effective methods of performance control.

Belarus State Economic University provides multilevel education of specialists and researchers in the field of economics for all spheres of the national economy and different types of enterprises/ organizations.

Belarus State Economic University keeps in contact with authorities, various organizations and enterprises, educational and scientific research institutions. These contacts provide a vivid insight into economic development process, enrich the educational process with the current information, allow the exchange of experience, and facilitate the research on actual problems of economic development.

Department of Management

The Department provides training of specialists in different majors and specialisations including «State and public management», «Economy and management of industrial enterprises», «Economy and management of the agricultural complex», «Economic cybernetics».

Training specialist is based on international experience in economy management and advanced methods and models of economic forecasting.

The students' research units actively work in the Department. The students have worked out the role game «Delta» for the enterprise management, which won the Heintz Nicksford Foundation and Moscow Educational Centre «Informational Systems» competition among the Russian Federation educational establishments.

Department graduates are well-trained for analytical, administrative and practical work in all branches and spheres of economics.

Department of International Economic Relations

The Department trains specialists in "International Economics and International Business" (with a major in "International Business Administration").

The most qualified professors and associate professors from Belarus and other countries conduct their courses in the Department.

Various meetings are organized regularly and contacts are maintained with the Embassies of the USA, France, Great Britain, Germany and other states, as well as with the representatives of the IMF, World Bank and other international organizations.

Having mastered two foreign languages and obtaining a high-level training in economics, the students win grants at various competitions for continuing education and internships abroad.

Graduates of the Department know the principles of analysis. They are able to construct management models and to use them in practice, and easily adapt to changes in professional activities.

They successfully work in the Ministry of International Economic Relations, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International firms, and joint ventures and offices of International companies and banks.

Department of Finance and Economics

The Department provides training in the major «Finance and credit», with specializations in «Finance», «Insurance», and «Finance and credit in International economic activities».

Students complete a full length educational program (graduates of Minsk Finance College complete short course curriculum).

The Department has close relations with the Ministry of Finance and finance departments of the enterprises and organizations for training and re training of specialists, providing joint scientific research, and working out drafts of laws. These contacts provide a high level of professional knowledge for graduates and a good opportunity for them to work in all branches of financial and tax organizations, the banking system, financial and insurance companies, economic services of the enterprises and organizations of all forms of ownership.

Department of Banking

The Department trains specialists in banking, credit, accounting, analysis and audit in banks.

The Department has permanent stable multilateral links with the banks of Belarus. A laboratory has been formed for banking training where students can master modern technologies of banking in the University Branch of JSB "Belarusbank".

The National Banking Center for Banking Education was created through the joint efforts of the Department, the Higher School of Business Management, and the colleagues from abroad.

Graduates of the Department obtain a profound knowledge of monetary regulation and finance management, which enables them to operate effectively in the banking system, as well as in other financial and credit institutions. They are in high demand by private and state enterprises.

Department of Accounting and Statistics

The Department provides training of specialists in bookkeeping / accounting, analysis and audit in industry, construction, state research institutions and statistics.

The Department is working out drafts of legal acts in accounting and audit, for the system of National Accounts of the Republic of Belarus. It also coordinates the activities of the Association of Accountants.

Professional training in the Department utilizes computer programming in the bookkeeping labs.

Graduates of the Department are able to organize economic-accounting work, to provide complex analysis of the activities and finance of different economic units, and to make competent decisions. They are prepared to work as leaders and heads of accounting and financial services, and managers and economists.

Economic Accounting Department

The Department provides training in the major of «Accounting, analysis and audit» with specializations in «Accounting, analysis and audit in commerce», «Accounting, analysis and audit in agricultural complex», «Accounting, analysis and audit in international economic activity».

The Department provides both full length and short courses of training depending on the level of students' secondary education.

Graduates of the Department receive profound theoretical and practical knowledge of accounting, analysis and audit for enterprises of all forms of ownership, and with application of the computer equipment and international standards. Graduates are able to adapt quickly to the needs of industry, to organize and manage accounting and financial services of enterprises and organizations, to provide revision and audit of economic activities, and to work as accounting and financial managers.

The Accounting Center in the Department provides retraining of specialists, holds seminars on the problems of accounting and audit, and gives consulting services.

Department of Law

The Department of Law was founded in 1997 on the basis of the Chair of Economic Law, the largest in Belarus which had been operating in the University since 1953.

The Department trains students in "International Business and Law" and in "Economic Law".

Specialists training is based on modern knowledge in the spheres of law and market economy in contact with economic entities of Belarus.

The methodological room of the Department has a database of legal acts, and rulings in Belarus and CIS.

Graduates of the Department are able to perform complex multilevel economic and legislative analysis of enterprises and organizations of all forms of ownership, and to solve current problems, disagreements and conflicts.

The Department of Law has published textbooks on civil law and on international business law.

Department of Economics and Trade Management

The Department provides training in «Commercial activity» with specializations in «Commercial activity in the commodity market», «Commercial activity in the food services market», «Commercial activity in the international market», «Commercial activity and merchandising of food products», «Commercial and merchandising activity of commodities».

Professional training provides a profound knowledge of methods and models of economic analysis of the enterprises activities, the knowledge of goods as objects of the commercial activities and the skills to work with the deliverers in the market environment, as well as to make economic calculations to ground and forecast administrative decisions.

Graduates of the Department work successfully as the enterprise and organization administrators, economists and managers, merchandisers in the spheres of home and international commerce.

The Department has a «Consult- trade center» which provides retraining of commercial specialists, holds seminars on the commerce problems, and gives consulting services.

Department of Marketing

The Department was founded in 1997 as a separate unit of the University for training specialists in this important branch of the economy. The Department provides training in the major of «Marketing», with specialization in « Supply and sales management».

The students receive profound training in marketing theory, and modern methods of marketing research and forecasting. They study logistics, retailing, advertising, the system of demand and production, sales stimulation, and pricing policies of the enterprises.

Graduates of the Department are able to work out strategies for enterprise development, to create forecasts, and to apply practical and efficient instruments of marketing. They work successfully in marketing services, the supply and sales units of the enterprises and organizations, special marketing firms, commercial and advertising agencies, in raw materials stock markets, whole sale companies and specialized super markets, international enterprises and offices.

Higher School of Business Management

The School is a center of a second higher education in management, banking, finance, marketing, accounting, and economic law. This ensures integration of technical and economic knowledge with high competence of specialists. The School provides:

- profound training for specialists with qualification improvement and auditor training;
- training Masters of Economics;
- organization of business contacts with foreign firms;
- audit, consulting services and intermediary service;
- creation and adaptation of software for education including simulation and automation of enterprise performance models.

International Association of Knowledge and Business Assistance supports co-operation and development of business links with national and foreign educational institutions in retraining and improving qualification within the School.

The Higher School of Business Management has its representatives in Minsk Finance College and Pinsk Credit College.

Higher School of Tourism (HST)

The School trains specialists in "Economy and Management of Social- Cultural Sphere", "Tourism Management", and "The Economy of the Hotel and Restaurant Management".

The School provides retraining of the specialists holding diplomas on higher education.

HST organizes business seminars and meetings with representatives of foreign tourist companies, conducts short/long- term courses for qualification improvement, including internships in foreign firms, and provides intermediary and consulting services.

The graduates of HST are able to cope with complex economic-managerial problems of tourism systems. Foreign language skills enable them to set contacts with representatives of foreign tourist companies and make effective managerial decisions. They occupy leading positions in tourism management and tourist companies.

A rich database of unique historical data has been formed in HST, which makes it possible to work out a range of interesting thematic excursion routes.

BSEU Branch in Bobruisk

The Branch started functioning in 1997 in one of the biggest industrial centers of Belarus.

The Branch provides training in the majors of «Economics and enterprise management» and «Accounting, analysis and audit» (full-time and part-time programs) according to the curricula of the University.

The Branch was founded with the purpose of training highly qualified specialists in economics, management and accounting in the regions of the country in order to attract gifted young people for higher educational training; and to assist in retraining and upgrading of specialists for enterprises and organizations of the region.

The Branch provides all facilities necessary for the instruction, work and leisure of faculty and students.

The Chairs of the University assist the Branch in training, research, in- service teachers' training, and post – graduate training for MBA and Ph.D.

The Department also provides preparatory training of applications for entering the University, and holds scientific seminars and conferences.

Scientific Research

BSEU is carrying out a variety of research work in different fields.

The Scientific research center organizes the research activity of 35 Chairs, 4 labs, 5 consulting centres, the Higher School of Business Management and the Higher School of Tourism.

The main focus of fundamental and applied research is " The Formation of the National Economy of Belarus and the Mechanism of its Activity."

The Departments of BSEU are actively collaborating in creation and providing expertise of legal acts and programs of social and economic development of Belarus.

The University founded the national scientific schools of economics, accounting and audit, finance, banking, management, statistics, marketing, economic and mathematical methods, international business, and information technologies. The faculty members of these departments carry out scientific research, provide training of specialists for the Republic, and work with Scientific Councils for awarding scientific degrees, publishing textbooks, articles and other literature.

International Relations

The University has cooperation agreements with 14 higher education establishments in Austria, Great Britain, Germany, China, Bulgaria, Poland, France, USA and a number of NIS Universities. The most important cooperative activities are: academic exchanges, organization of joint seminars and conferences, scientific research, writing of textbooks, educational literature exchange, etc. The University provides training of specialists for foreign countries. More than 2 thousand foreign students have graduated from BSEU. Some of them hold MBA and Ph.D degrees.

The University is actively involved in cooperation under the TACIS / TEMPUS and Transformation programs. Starting in 1997, the largest 3- year academic project in Belarus is being implemented together with the Polytechnical University of Barcelona (Spain) and the University of Montpellier (France). Under this project, the University provides academic exchanges of faculty, comparative analysis of the curricula, and prepares joint edition of textbooks. In cooperation with a number of European Universities, we have been since 1998 implementing a project "The Formation of the Potential of Highly Qualified Academic Staff " for training a new generation of specialists for the Republic of Belarus. The University works on the development of «continuous» education. A group of students is being educated in French in the framework of a joint project conducted with the Institute of Enterprise Management of Paris. The graduates obtain diplomas from both institutions. In addition, more than 10 students annually visit foreign educational establishments for one or two- year programs of «continuing» education.

The Library

The library of the University has functioned since 1933. It contains more than 1,000,000 volumes of books, text books, monographs, and fiction literature.

In the library, there are reading halls for students and faculty, as well as reading halls of periodicals, fiction and foreign literature.

The library contains more than 60,000 newspapers and magazines. The major part of the periodicals published in Belarus and Russia are received by the library.

There is a recent increase in educational literature, diskettes and audio cassettes in the library.

Through the Internet lab, readers may contact the world's information resources.

Publications by the faculty of the University comprise 60 % of the text books in the library.

Branches of the library are in Bobruisk and Pinsk, as well as University departments and hostels.

Student Life

The University has good facilities for living, leisure and sports development.

23 amateur groups perform on the basis of the student club. Several times they have become prize-winners of famous international competitions and festivals and performed abroad. Two amateur groups hold title of «Peoples'» ones.

The University students humor team acts successfully at international and republican festivals and games.

The University volley-ball, basketball, tennis, swimming, wrestling and chess teams have been prize-winners at different student tournaments. The University Campus includes six hostels providing residence for 3500 students. The hostels are kept in good conditions. The living rooms are well-furnished and equipped. There are rooms for studies, leisure, and libraries.

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