Orenburg State University is the centre of educational, scientific, cultural, social and economic life of the region.
Orenburg State University is the largest establishment of higher education in the region. More than 60% of the Orenburg Region students are comprised of the OSU students.
Nowadays more than 43,000 students are educated in the university including about 500 international students.
The structure of the university:

- 19 faculties
- 5 research institutes
- 6 research centers
- 6 regional branches
- 5 colleges
The educational activity of the university:

- 113 specialties of higher professional education;
- 58 Bachelor’s programs;
- 27 Master’s programs;
- 17 specialties of vocational training;
- 39 programs of primary vocational education and training;
- 51 post-graduate programs;
- programs of professional development and retraining (refresher courses);
- pre-university intensive courses;
The OSU Institutes and Faculties / specialties/
Airspace Institute

- Machine details endurance and restoration technologies
- Machine building technology
- Metalworking equipment and complexes
- Aircraft and helicopter construction
- Rocket engineering
- Computer-aided technological processes and production
- Computer-aided design systems
Architecture and Construction Faculty

- Design
- City cadastre
- Industrial and civil constructing engineering
- Urban constructing engineering
- Building materials, items and constructions production
- Heat-gas supply and ventilation
- Real estate management
- Architecture environment design
• Informatics
• Applied informatics
• Complex protection of informatization objects
• Design and technology of radio-electronic facilities
• System analysis and management (Bachelor’s program)
• System analysis and management (Master’s program)
• Automation and management (Bachelor’s program)
• Management and informatics in technical systems
• Informatics and computer science (Bachelor’s program)
• Informatics and computer science (Master’s program)
• Computers, complexes, systems and nets
• Computing and automated systems software
• Informational systems and technologies
Faculty of Electrical Power Engineering

- Power and energy supply at enterprises
- Electric power stations
- Electric and power supply
- Electro-mechanics
- Electric drive and automation of industrial and technological complexes
- Electrical transport
- Industrial electronics
Transport Faculty

- Automobiles and automobile industry
- Transport, technological machines and equipment service
- Traffic safety and organization
- Standardization and certification
- Quality management
Food Production Faculty

- Chemical technology and biotechnology (Bachelor’s program)
- Chemical industry machinery and equipment
- Food industry (Bachelor’s program)
- Grain storage and processing technology
- Bread, confectionary and macaroni technology
- Fermenting and wine production technology
- Meat and meat goods production technology
- Milk goods production technology
- Public catering goods production technology
- Infant and functional nutrition production technology
- Food industry machinery and equipment
- Food engineering in small enterprises
Geology and Geography Faculty

- Geography
- Geological survey, mineral probing and retrieving
- Oil-and-gas geology
- Life safety in technosphere
- Environmental protection (Bachelor’s program)
- Environmental protection (Master’s program)
- Environmental protection and resources conservation
Faculty of Economics and Finances

- Economics (Bachelor's program)
- Finances and credit
- Tax and taxation
- Accountancy, analysis and audit
- Customs studies
- Statistics
Faculty of Economics and Management

- National economy
- Marketing
- Mathematical methods in economics
- Commerce (Bachelor’s program)
- Commerce (trading)
- Commodity research and expertise
- Management (Bachelor’s program)
- Management (Master’s program)
- Enterprise economics and management
- Crisis Management
- Public and municipal administration
- Personnel management
- Enterprise management
- Applied informatics
- Service
- Socio-cultural service and tourism
- House holding

- Scientific discipline of documentation and documentation support in management
- Advertisement
- Economics (Bachelor’s program)
- Economics (Master’s program)
- Theory of Economics
- World economy
Faculty of Philology

- Philology
- Theory and methods of teaching foreign languages and cultures
- Translation and translation theory
Faculty of Journalism

- Journalism
- Public relations
Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences

- Philosophy
- Psychology
- History
- Culture studies (Bachelor’s program)
- Culture studies
- Religious studies (Bachelor’s program)
- Religious studies
- Social sciences
- Technological education (Bachelor’s program)
- Vocational training
- Pedagogics (Bachelor’s program)
- Pedagogics (Master’s program)
Law Faculty

• Jurisprudence (Bachelor’s program)
• Jurisprudence
Faculty of Physics

- Physics (Bachelor’s program)
- Medical physics
- Biochemical physics
- Radiophysics and electronics
- Engineering in medicobiological practice
Faculty of Mathematics

- Mathematics
- Mathematics. Computer Sciences (Bachelor’s program)
- Information technologies (Bachelor’s program)
- Applied mathematics and informatics (Bachelor’s program)
- Applied mathematics and informatics
- Software and informational systems management
Faculty of Chemistry and Biology

- Chemistry
- Biology
- Biochemistry
- Microbiology
- Soil science
- Bioecology
Night and Correspondence Faculty

- Psychology
- History
- Religious studies
- Scientific discipline of documentation and documentation support
- Vocational training
- Finances and credit
- Tax and taxation
- Accountancy, analysis and audit
- Marketing
- Customs studies
- Commerce (trading)
- Commodity research and expertise
- Economics and enterprise management
- Crisis management
- Public and municipal administration

- Personnel management
- Enterprise management
- Statistics
- Urban cadastre
- Geological survey, minerals prospecting and exploitation
- Oil-and gas geology
- Engineering in medicobiological practice
- Industrial and civil construction engineering
- Urban engineering
- Production of building materials and constructions
- Heat-gas supply and ventilation
- Expertise and real estate management
- Automobile roads and airdromes
- Environment preservation and resources conservation
Distance Education Faculty

- Tax and taxation
- Accountancy, analysis and audit
- Economics and enterprise management (engineering industry)
- Finances and credit:
  Major subject «Banking»
  Major subject «State and municipal finances»
  Major subject «Financial management»
- Public and municipal administration
- Scientific discipline of documentation and documentation support
- Jurisprudence
- Personnel management
- Software and informational systems management
- Life safety in technosphere
- Computing and automated systems software
The OSU Research Institutes
The Centre of Instrumental Equipment for General Use
«Micro- and Nanotechnologies Institute»

The Institute Subdivisions

• Measurement of Magnetoelectric Physical Magnitudes Laboratory
• Measurement Automation Department
• Dynamic Holography and Recording Devices Department
• Probe Scanning Microscopy Department
• Spectral Analysis Department
• Photophysical Research Department

Fundamental Research in the Fields of
• Photophysics
• Surface Physics
• Molecular Optical Electronics
• Chemical Physics
The Institute studies the Russian Cossack, Revolution and Civil War history in the South Ural.
The Institute for Regional Economy Research

The Institute makes research of Russian regions economy, provides consulting for regional and municipal authorities, organizes students research and practical placement. The Institute cooperate with leading economic universities in Russia and abroad.
The Centre for Laser and Information Biophysics

The Centre undertakes research in the field of laser biotechnologies, laser biomedicine, bioelectronics and biophotonics, development of new technologies, design of new devices for information displaying and recording on biomolecular carriers, research of biophysical mechanisms sense of vision, development of systems of artificial sense of vision, and etc.
Since 2004 Orenburg State University Institute of Bioelements is the satellite centre to Trace Element - Institute for UNESCO in Russia.

Research area
1. Evaluation of how the teenagers in Orenburg are provided with micronutrients for the prophylactic of some ecology-dependent diseases.
2. New sources of micronutrients: discovering and testing in order to correct the alimentary deficiency in the nourishment of the man and animals.
3. New technologies in the use of probiotical complexes in the nourishment of the man and animals.
4. Ecological monitoring of the foodstuff and vegetative raw material in the territory of Orenburg area.
5. Theory of conformity of the food substrates to the needs of the alive organism - new approaches.
OSU Technopark is one of the leading Russian technoparks through a number of its innovation enterprises plans, coordinates, and manages small businesses engaged in academic, research and technological spheres, develops and implements new science intensive technologies, trains and retrain specialists and assists fundamental and applied research studies.
The Technological Park

The Institute Subdivisions

- Design Office and "Electro-Drive" Research Laboratory: develop and improve variable-frequency electric devices and X-ray equipment.
- Center of Technical Certification, Food Industry and Foodstuff: develops modern food industry technologies.
- Environment Monitoring Center
- "Reliability" Laboratory: studies mechanochemical wear of metal structures, machines and mechanisms.
- Motor Transport Services Certification Center: studies and analyses manufacturing capabilities of enterprises, transports freight and passengers, and organizes motor vehicle maintenance to force compliance with the technological and normative requirements.
- Young Geologist Center
- Construction Materials Testing Center
- Expert Center: manages safety examination, offers design work services, repairs and reconstructs objects.
Doctor of Science and Candidate of Science degree programs

- 7 Doctor of Science degree programs
- 51 Candidate of Science degree programs in 12 scientific fields
The German Language Centre

- DSH Certificate Course (Deutsche Sprachprüfung für den Hochschulzugang);
- intensive German language courses with the assistance of lecturers from Germany;
- DSH exams;
- methodological workshops and scientific conferences with scientists and lecturers from Germany;
- project activities;
- scholarship programs presentation;
- assistance in applying for scholarships of German-speaking cultural and educational organizations;

- cultural events:
  - German Culture Days,
  - German Cinematography Days,
  - German Language Club,
  - Students’ Theatre,
  - contests for students,
  - German national holidays.
OSU Japan Information Center was inaugurated on January 25, 2006 thus crowning the collaborative efforts of the Japan Center in Nizhniy Novgorod, the Orenburg Region government, the Orenburg State University and the Japanese Embassy in Russia to assist in intensifying economic, scientific and cultural cooperation between Russia and Japan on the regional level; to promote business, education and public ties.

There are some major lines of the Center’s activities:

OSU Japan Information Center draws up many business, academic and cultural projects. One of the most successful and popular is the annual festival "Days of Japan at OSU". It has become a tradition for the festival events to list the workshops of invited lecturers, business seminars and meetings, exhibitions, book fairs and Japanese movies demonstrations.
French Language Centre

- French language courses, including DELF/ DALF courses;
- Consulting for school French language teachers;
- Conducting cultural-educational “French weeks”
- Students exchange programs;
- Teachers exchange;
- International Conferences;
- Workshops and seminars on French culture and design;
- French movie festivals and exhibitions.
English Language Centre

- Provides Workshops and seminars on English culture and design;
- English language training;
- English language summer camps.
Slavonic Languages and Cultures Centre

- All-level testing of foreign citizens in RFL (Russian as a Foreign Language) under the agreement with the Leading test centre;
- Group lessons and consulting on the RFL test;
- Testing of foreign citizens applying for or studying at the RF universities;
- Courses and trainings:
  - RFL test,
  - tolerant verbal communication,
  - rhetoric,
  - speech culture,
  - stylistics,
  - business letter writing,
  - Slavonic languages courses (Polish, Czech, Ukrainian);
- Workshops and seminars on ethnolinguistics and linguoculturology;
- Linguistic consulting and expertise;
- Advisory activity on the Russian language use for students, preschool- and schoolchildren;
- Text correcting and editing.
In 2006 – 2009 more than 550 OSU students have been enrolled in to international academic exchange.

OSU encourage students out-going abroad.

Students are interested in all types of programs:
  • Summer schools;
  • Practical placement;
  • Semester programs;
  • Double Diploma programs.
Students exchange

In-going students at OSU: about 500 every year.
Courses at OSU are taught in Russian.
OSU provides Russian language courses.

Short courses and practical placement programs are available in English.
Teachers exchange

Academic staff of OSU partner universities and International organizations are always welcome to OSU for making lectures, practical seminars and trainings for students, Teachers and Orenburg companies staff.
International Partners

- Ludwig-Maximilians University (Germany)
- Leipzig University of Applied Sciences (Germany)
- University College VIA (Denmark)
- Universidad Politecnica de Valencia (Spain)
- Chanchun Normal University (China)
- Silesian Technical University (Poland)
- Salt Lake Community College (the USA)
- Slavonic Languages and Cultures Centre (Ohio State University, the USA)
- Saint-Petersburg College (the USA)
- HAMK University of Applied Sciences (Finland)
- Educational Agency «Edu France» (France)
- Graduate School of Science (Hiroshima University, Japan)