

### **Rector's Word**



Our University has a long and rich history, with thousands of people who studied and worked here in order to be able to contribute to Russian education. Tula SPU has become a leading institution of higher education among specialized universities. Our rich historical past, contemporary research activities, fast development and innovation let Tula State Lev Tolstoy Pedagogical University occupy a leading position in Russian education system.

I entered this university after high school and have never left the institution. I followed all the steps of the career ladder - starting from the position of a laboratory assistant and being the rector at the moment. And thus,

I can confirm: very talented and hard-working students studied here at all times, those who can be undoubtedly trusted with the future of the region and the country. The major goal of the university is teaching a person to think and discuss, to make decisions and bring one's ideas to life.

The world is constantly changing; thus, the system of higher education is changing as well: keeping the traditions of pedagogical education, the university is integrating in the education process of the whole world. Information and computer technologies not only give new opportunities, but also demand the development of new criteria for the university, which is being successfully recognized by the university.

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### **About Tula State Lev Tolstoi University**

**TSPU** was founded on 19 September, 1938 as an independent institution of higher education. On 18 July, 1958, it was named after Lev Tolstoy. On 29 December, 1994, the university was awarded the status of State Pedagogical University. In 2009, TSPU signed the Magna Charta of Universities at the University of Bologna (Italy). In 2012, the university was included in the National Register of the "Leading scientific organizations of Russia".

Nowadays, at Tula State Lev Tolstoy Pedagogical University there are 10 faculties, 138 basic educational programs of higher education, 24 specialties and postgraduate programs and 3 doctoral programs of 10 branches of science. Not to mention, the University provides a wide range of programs of postgraduate education and training.

All academic buildings are equipped with a local area network, computers, language labs and multimedia classrooms and are provided with access to the research library. The university has made the arrangements necessary for successful learning and students' self-development.

# **Faculties**

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The Faculty of Foreign Languages;	G
The Faculty of Russian Philology and D	Pocument Science;
The Faculty of History and Law;	
The Faculty of Psychology;	(?)
The Faculty of Technology and Busynes	ss;
The Faculty of Arts, Social Sciences and	d Humanities;
The Faculty of Natural Sciences;	
The Faculty of Physical Education;	-36°
The International Faculty.	

### **Facilities**

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**Within** TSPU there is the Center of Scientific and Educational Literature which deals with the information space development of the institution and provides its users with soft goods, services and facilities.

There is an access to the Scientific Electronic Library "e-Library", full-text databases of national periodicals "East View", electronic library system "University Library Online", "Ibooks" as well as full-text database of foreign scientific publications (Science Online, Annual Reviews, Sage Journals Online, Oxford University Press, Cambridge Journals Digital Archive for students and staff).

The Center of Scientific and Educational Literature, in addition to traditional library service departments with library and reading rooms, has an e-learning laboratory and electronic reading room with access to the resources of Boris Yeltsin Presidential Library.

# Library Tula State Lev Tolstoi University





**TSPU** pays special attention to the organization of sports and recreational activities, offers modern conditions and material and technical resources for physical education and sport, as well as strengthens and develops sports infrastructure.

The campus includes a sanatorium, a cafeteria, a pool, 7 gyms, a table tennis hall, 2 ski depots, outdoor summer volleyball and basketball courts, a football field with artificial turf, and 2 tennis courts.

Sports and fitness base of TSPU works in full mode all year round, including summer and holidays.

The University is a multiple winner of the All-Russian competition of Higher Education Institutions of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation "The University of Healthy Lifestyle".

Tula SPU is proud of Olympic champions – V. Petrakov and O. Slyusareva; participants of the Olympic Games, champions and prize-winners of the World Championships T.

Pilshchikova, N. Kovyakh, E. Karpachyova, E. Savelieva, L. Chukhnova, N. Glebova, S. Flerko, D. Abramova, A. Demidova, A. Nersesian, Yu. Loseva, K. Maryasova; Russian champions and prize-winners of the European championships – B. Nikulin, O. Kholandyreva, A. Loseva, P. Dudchenko, E. Ziukina, I. Zhdanova, A. Komarovskiy, V. Uskov.



The university implements more than 25 significant social programs and projects, three of which (the competition of social projects "Luch", the festival of amateur for pupils and students of secondary and higher vocational education institutions of

Tula Region "Russia Sings in Me"; regional competition of scientific research "Great Neighbors of Tula region") are included in the national priority project "Education".

On 8 August, 2008, the university student council delegation hoisted the flag of TSPU on the highest point of Europe – Mount Elbrus (5462 m) in honor of the 70th anniversary of the University.











# DORMITORY

Within TSPU campus there are 4 dormitories which are suited for comfortable stay of foreign students from such countries as Nigeria, Zambia, Ghana, Pakistan, Iran, India, Bangladesh, Saudi Arabia and many others. The dormitories are also available not only to students, but also their friends and relatives if they wish to stay there. All hostels comprise study and recreation

rooms, lounges with TV sets which stream local and national channels, gyms, track fields and other facilities. As a bonus, hostels are located in close proximity to main academic buildings. Not to mention, Tula SPU has enhanced security, with card door access and patrols roaming dormitories' premises, so every person residing within can feel safe.



# **About Tula**

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**Tula** is a city and administrative center of Tula oblast located in the western part of Russia. It is located close to the Upa River which is a tributary of the Oka River. First mentioned in 1146 as Taydula, Tula became the main stronghold on the southern approaches to Moscow in the 16th century, as well as the center of a series of defensive lines against Tatar attacks.

A stone citadel of 1530, restored in 1784 and 1824, has survived and is visited by tourists every year. In 1552, the city successfully resisted a siege by the Tatars. During the 17th century, Tula developed into the major ironworking centre of Russia. It was the site of Russia's first armament factory which was built in 1712 by Peter the Great, and it still remains a large armament producer.

Besides iron and steel, modern Tula has a range of engineering industries. Lignite (brown coal) is mined locally and used in the chemical industry. Samovars are traditional products manufactured within Tula. The city has mechanical, mining and teacher-training institutes and is devoted to coal-mining research. A museum founded in 1724 displays a long history of different weapons. Yasnaya Polyana, the homeland of Leo Tolstoy, is located 9 miles (14 km) southwest of Tula.







