This program allows Russian language students to test the skills they have learned in the classroom in a real world setting. Students at the University of Vermont will have the opportunity to study business in Russian in an international environment. **Note:** Only students who are fluent enough in Russian to be enrolled in standard university courses and to study in groups with Russian students may apply for this program. Preference is given to business students. However, if you have the requisite language skills, you may choose from any of the nine faculties of study: Biology and Ecology, Computer Science, History, Mathematics, Socio-Political Sciences, Psychology, Physics, Economics, Law.

Yaroslavl State University was established in 1803. After a period of closure, Yaroslavl State University has been offering higher education to people from across the world since 1970. It has steadily grown into “one of the leading centers of education, science and culture in Central Russia”.

The city of Yaroslavl was founded by Prince Yaroslavl in the 11th Century. This city was of such importance that it was designated the Russian capital for a short period of time. Throughout its history, Yaroslavl became home to many unique churches and other buildings that still exist today. These unique pieces of art and architecture enhance the beauty of the city. Today, the city is one of the main commercial centers of Russia with a large number of financial institutions and services. Situated on the famous river Volga, Yaroslavl now has a population of over 700,000 and is a popular tourist destination.

**ELIGIBILITY:**
- Students must have intermediate to advanced proficiency in Russian.
- Students must have completed at least one year of full-time study in a UVM degree program and must remain registered in that degree program during the exchange period.
- Students must be in good academic standing at UVM and have a **minimum GPA of 2.5.**

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APPLICATION PROCESS AND DATES OF THE EXCHANGE:

- Students may study for one semester or a full academic year. Fall semester begins in September; spring semester begins in February. Semesters last 15 weeks each.

- Students must first complete a UVM Exchange Application. UVM Exchange Applications including Faculty Reference Forms, can be downloaded at:
  
  http://www.uvm.edu/oie/?Page=study/apply.html&SM=sa_menu.html

- Complete applications must be submitted to the Office of International Education (OIE) by August 10th for spring semester priority placement, or by January 10th for fall semester or full year priority placements.

- Upon acceptance, students will complete a Study Abroad Approval Form (SAAF) with the OIE. Students are responsible for obtaining a visa and any other necessary documents. Due to lengthy processing times, students should apply for the visa immediately after acceptance into the program. Students can apply on-line for the visa at the website below. For more information, visit the Russian consulate website:
  
  http://www.ruscon.org/main_ENG.html

FINANCES:

- All participants are required to pay a UVM study abroad fee of $500 for a semester or year.

- **Costs per semester:** Students pay UVM’s exchange tuition rate, (in-state students pay in-state tuition; out-of-state students pay 150% of in-state tuition), student fees, room and board.

- Students are responsible for booking their travel, purchasing books, paying passport fees, and other personal expenses.

- Students may need to obtain a student visa and additional health insurance.

- **This exchange program qualifies for the transfer of State, Federal and UVM financial aid when applicable. Tuition remission benefits apply.** Aid packages will be recalculated according to the program costs. Consult a Student Financial Services advisor for the full details of your aid package.

Each UVM student that participates on this exchange program opens a spot for an international student to study at UVM! *Go abroad and help bring the world to UVM!*