# Institute of Humanities, Social and Political Sciences

**IHSPS** 

#### Institute was established in 2011



## It united faculties and departments of PSU and AStTU:

- Faculty of History
- Faculty of Humanities
- Department of Journalism
- Department of Philosophy
- Department Social Sciences and Humanities
- Department of Regionalism Studies and International Relations (Since 2012)





#### Institute consists of 8 Departments:

- Department of Russian History;
- Department of World History;
- Department of Philosophy
- Department of Political and Social Sciences;
- Department of Humanities and Social Sciences,
- Department of Journalism;
- Department of Cultural and Religious Studies;
- Department of Regionalism Studies and International Relations

## 2 scientific and educational centers at the Institute:

 "Fundamental problems of Cooperation and Rivalry History in the Arctic"



"Centre for Comparative Religious Studies and Ethnosemiotic"



# Research and education at the Institute focuses on acute social, political, cultural and historical issues.



 Teaching Staff of the Institute comprises more than 100 teachers (including 22 Professors)

 800 students are studying our BA and MA educational programmers and courses having a solid scientific basis.



#### PhD programs:

- Sociology of Management Social structure, social institutions and processes
- Political regionalism. Ethnopolitics.
- Theory and philosophy of politics, history and methodology of political science
- Political institutions, processes and technology.
- World History (Contemporary Period)
- Russian History
- History of international affairs and foreign policy
- Ontology and Epistemology.
- Social Philosophy
- Philosophical anthropology, philosophy, culture
- Philosophy of Religion and Religious Studies
- Theory and History of Culture



# Educational Programs (taught in English)

#### Russian Studies - 1 semester (30 ECTS)

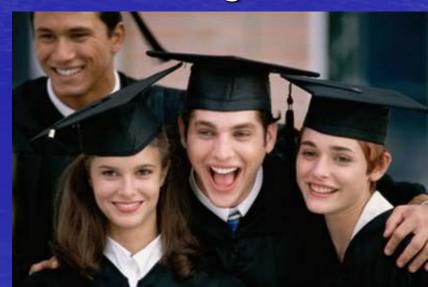
- aims to enable the students from abroad to get knowledge about Russian history, culture, language and society.
- consists of 3 courses:
- 1. History: The Voices of Twentieth Century Russia.
- 2. Language: Soviet and contemporary Russian (i.e.1970 up to date).
- 3. Contemporary issues: Russian politics.

# 2 courses in program "Diverse Arctic: Challenges – Global Changes" (starting from February 2013).

- 1. Crossing the Borders: Changes and Challenges of the Russian Politics in the Arctic (1990s-2000s), 10 ECTS.
- knowledge and understanding of changes and challenges of the Russian Politics from the prospect of society and culture, the environment and security.
- 2. Society, Diversity and Human Development in the High North, 10 ECTS.
- the issues of human development in Nordic communities and potentials embedded in the in the High North policies for different groups of populations living in the Arctic.

# Institute is working out MA programs in English:

- European Studies
- Northern Studies (Societies, Politics, Cultures and Histories: Diversity Development in the North)
- Cultural heritage studies and management



#### **Research Directions**

- Political institutions and socio-political process in the Arctic zone of Russia in the context of globalization and regionalization of world processes
- History and culture of the circumpolar world
- Circumpolar Research: Past and Present
- Historical, sociocultural and political aspects of the European North.
- Geo-cultural Space of the European North of Russia: the images, values and meanings
- Ontology and cognitive systems research methodology.
- Ecology of Cultural Space of the European North: Past and Present.
- The development of the information space of the Russian North: history, contemporary and acute problems.
- Geopolitical and sociocultural issues of the Arctic region and the North. The study of semiotics of space culture of the peoples of Northern Eurasia

### Established contacts and long-term cooperation with foreign universities:

- "Neighborly Asymmetry. Russia and Norway (1814-2014)" (with The University of Tromsø, Department of History and Religious Studies (Norway); The Institute for Defence Studies, Oslo (Norway)
- "Murman the coast of hope" (with Finland's National Archive, Helsinki (Finland); The Provincial museum of Lapland, Rovaniemi (Finland), University of Tromsø. Department of History and Religious Studies (Norway)
- "A Bilateral Maritime History Project «Russian timber Norwegian ships 1850-1939" (with University of Tromsø (Norway); University of Agder (Norway); University of Greenwich (UK)

- Bilingual Immigrant Children in North Norway:
  The Norwegian Welfare Society and the
  Language of Russian-Norwegian Children (BIC) (
  with University of Tromsø (Norway); University
  of Nordland (Norway)
- The Arctic Change and Elderly Exclusion: A gender-based perspective. (with Unit of Gender Studies, Faculty of Education, University of Lapland (Finland)
- Poverty and Survival Strategies
  in Russia, Ukraine and Belarus ( with Uppsala
  Centre for Russian and Eurasian
  Studies (Sweden)
- And others...

#### Thank you for your attention