



SIBERIAN FEDERAL UNIVERSITY
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2nd International Foreign Languages Olympiad

FIRST CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

Department of Linguistics and Cross-Cultural Communication, Institute of Philology and Language Communication of Siberian Federal University in cooperation with Krasnoyarsk Regional Association of English Language Teachers “KELTA” are happy to announce the 2nd International Foreign Languages Olympiad for university students.

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We call for participation university students of any subject or major and any year of study coming from Russia or other countries to compete in their language proficiency and cultural awareness in English, German, French, Spanish, Chinese, Japanese and Russian as a foreign language.

The timeline for the Olympiad:

I stage (registration and online participation): 26 January 2015 – 8 February 2015.

Online stage is for registration and initial selection of candidates for the face-to-face stage. Participants complete 50 multiple-choice questions in the area of country and language study based on the LMS MOODLE platform. Time limit - 60 minutes. Maximum scores gained -50. This stage serves a basis for the jury’s decision about individuals’ participation in the following face-to-face stage.

To join the online stage and participate in the selection procedure a candidate must:

- register online <http://study.sfu-kras.ru/sfu/register.php>
- complete the online set of activities within the time frame given <http://study.sfu-kras.ru/course/view.php?id=874>

Attention! Competition in the Chinese and Japanese languages does not include the online stage. Candidates must only register for the face-to-face participation in the period from 26 January to 12 February 2015 (<http://forms.sfu-kras.ru/linguistics>).

II stage (face-to-face) – 27 February 2015.

Participants compete in various testing activities and go through the following checkpoints:

1. *Writer's Workshop* (creative writing – 150-200 words, time – 40 min).
2. *Detective Agency* (language in use and listening papers, time – 60 min).
3. *Literature & Poetry Competition* (2 min. prepared text/poem)
4. *Speaker's Corner* (public speaking for 1 min responding to a given question).

The language level of participants must be not lower than B1 according to the CEFR bands description.

Key dates

26 January 2015 – registration and start of the Olympiad online competition .

8 February 2015 – final day for registration and the online competition.

10 - 12 February 2015 – informing successful candidates of their selection for the face-to-face stage.

27 February 2015 – Face-to-face competition in Siberian Federal University (Krasnoyarsk), awarding ceremony.

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