## Trendy courses: mining

Institute of Mining, Geology and Geotechnology, SibFU, observes the growing interest of Russian major mining companies towards the Institute's alumni and students.



According to Vladimir Makarov, the Institute's Director, the mining companies' demand and offers of internships have been quite trendy for three years. «Major mining companies, including Norilsk Nikel Arctic Branch, Polyus Gold, Kolskaya Mining Company, Petropavlovsk Company and others, send us requests to schedule meetings of students with their HR representatives. The Institute's senior management are quite pleased to see the growing demand».

Students with a paid internship receive wages, their relocation is paid by the company. They are provided with accommodation and social benefits.

«Last year, Norilsk Nikel Company signed agreements to provide paid internships to more than a hundred students from the Institute of Mining, Geology and Geotechnology, SibFU, — Vladimir Makarov said. — Students lived in good hostels and worked for mining companies with a salary of 30 - 50 thousand roubles a month. These were not the highest salaries our students get. The students who worked in a group of 450 for Norilsk companies received 60 thousand roubles a month. They also had a closer look at the city and its companies and they tried to get used to Arctic conditions of living. This is quite a regular scheme: a group of students working for a company- internship - employment. It brings good results».

Companies' presentations will last through May. The first company, Kolskaya, is a member of Norilsk Nikel concern. Later, other major companies will meet students.

«Our graduates are geologists, borers, mining construction specialists, mechanics and electricians — Director of the Institute of Mining and Geotechnology said;— Every graduate finds a job and they can go to a company of their own choice. The demand for mining professionals is very good and it is regularly higher than the number of the Institute's graduates».

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