PARTICIPANT REQUIREMENTS AND SELECTION CRITERIA

Eligibility for the competitive selection for a training grant is open to **residents of African continent countries** who are employees of Ministries, industry companies, public universities, research centres, as well as specialised organisations, provided they meet the following mandatory requirements:

- ✓ **Higher education** (minimum level: Bachelor's degree);
- ✓ **Submission of an application** for participation in the grant competition;
- ✓ English language proficiency of at least **B1 level;**
- ✓ **At least one year** of professional experience;
- ✓ **Recommendations** from national specialised Ministries;
- ✓ Results of **entrance examinations** (in the form of an interview).

Candidates who successfully pass the competitive selection will receive a grant from Empress Catherine II Saint Petersburg Mining University, the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Russian Federation, and the International Competence Centre for Mining Engineering Education under the auspices of UNESCO.

The grant covers the full cost of tuition, educational and methodological materials, access to the University's research and laboratory facilities and infrastructure, as well as participation in internships and practical training throughout the entire duration of the programme.

Travel expenses for flights to and from Saint Petersburg, as well as any other associated costs, **shall be borne either by the sending organisation or by the candidate themselves**.

APPLY FOR PARTICIPATION

APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR THE 2026/2027 ACADEMIC YEAR: UNTIL JUNE 30, 2026

Submit via website:
https://clck.ru/3LGp72

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MBA PROGRAMME "SUBSOIL / MINERAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT"

The programme is aimed at building a talent pool for relevant ministries, agencies and companies of African countries, as well as providing comprehensive retraining and professional development for specialists in the mineral resource sector who are capable of understanding the entire life cycle of a project – from exploration and resource assessment to extraction, logistics and processing. On the one hand, the programme provides technological methods for working with raw materials; on the other, it teaches how to manage a project as an integrated whole, combining technical solutions with economic efficiency, legal frameworks and environmental responsibility.

PROGRAMME DETAILS

Mode of study	full-time	**Qualification awarded**	MBA diploma
Language of instruction	English	**Group size**	20 participants
Duration	1 year	**Programme volume**	70 credits

PROGRAMME OBJECTIVES

1. **To prepare professionals** with in-depth knowledge of mineral resource management, capable of effectively managing production and economic processes.
2. **To develop strategic thinking skills** focused on sound decision-making under conditions of limited resources and continuous industry change.
3. **To build competencies in sustainable development**, taking into account the environmental, social and economic aspects of working in the mineral resource sector.
4. **To develop management skills** for working with complex projects.
5. **To enhance professional qualification** in the field of standards and legislative aspects of mineral resource management.

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

TYPE OF ACTIVITY	HOURS	SEMESTER 1				SEMESTER 2						
		SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL
Theoretical course in the Technological Module, Economics and Management Module, and Russian Language	864	● →		→			● →		→			
Practical training	396	● - - →		→			● - - →		→	● - - →		
Internship at the University's technological sites	108	● - - →		→			● - - →		→			
Management internship in ministries, agencies and enterprises of Russia	72				● →					● →		
Internship at national mineral resource management facilities	72					● →						
Research work	144									● →	→	
Writing and defence of the final graduation thesis	144										→	→

TECHNOLOGICAL MODULE

- Fundamentals of prospecting, exploration and evaluation of solid mineral deposits
- Mineral exploration using geophysical and geochemical methods
- Modern technologies of geological exploration
- Oil and gas geology
- Digital technologies in geology and mining
- Fundamentals of mining
- Fundamentals of mineral processing
- Fundamentals of metallurgical production
- Environmental foundations of natural resource management

ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT MODULE

- Economics of mineral resource management
- Strategic management in the mineral resource complex
- Corporate finance
- International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS)
- Human resource management
- Legal regulation and international legislation in the field of mineral resource management
- Risk management in the mineral resource complex
- Project and innovation management

RUSSIAN LANGUAGE MODULE

INTERNSHIPS AND WORK PLACEMENTS

At leading Russian companies and research centres

At real-world facilities of the mineral resource complex

In federal ministries and agencies