

# Moscow State University Makes Top 10 of Developing World's Best Institutions

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A statue of Mikhail Lomonosov, whom the university is named after, in front of the main building on campus. **Vladimir Filonov**

Lomonosov Moscow State University, or MGU, is one of the 10 best universities in the developing world, rankings published this week indicate.

Peking University was first with 65 points out of 100, while Tsinghua University, also in China, came second with 63.5 points in the [Times Higher Education BRICS & Emerging Economies](#) rankings for 2014. The University of Cape Town in South Africa was ranked third with 50.5 points.

MGU got 41.1 points to come 10th out of the 100 best graduate schools in BRICS countries — Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa — and other developing nations.

St. Petersburg State University was the only other Russian university included in the rankings,

finishing 67th with 23.7 points.

The rankings, published for the first time this year, use the same methodology as the Times World University Rankings, which are based on a comparison of 13 parameters. These include the quality of teaching, research work, the number of references in scientific publications, and overall prestige in the academic community.

MGU was the only Russian university included in the Times global rankings published in October, placing in the 226–250 group of the most advanced and prestigious universities in the world.

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