

# Russia Certifies European University at St. Petersburg's Master's Programs

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Russia's state education watchdog has issued accreditation to one of the country's leading private universities' master's degree programs after a three-year lapse.

The watchdog, Rosobrnadzor, [stripped](#) the European University at St. Petersburg (EUSP) of its accreditation and revoked its license over building code violations in 2016, [taking over](#) its main campus in early 2018. It [restored](#) EUSP's license in August 2018, ending two years of turmoil that left its foreign students [scrambling](#) for alternative options.

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A Rosobrnadzor order published by the university on Thursday accredits EUSP's master's programs for the next six years.

The university [said](#) Rosobrnadzor planned to update its online list of accredited institutions to

include EUSP within three days of the order.

The accreditation means that graduates will be awarded state-accredited degrees and students will be able to defer military service, EUSP chief of staff Alla Samolyotova [told](#) St. Petersburg's [paperpaper.ru](#) news website.

Founded in 1994, EUSP offers courses to Russian and international students in the social sciences and humanities.

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