

Summer School: 9.08.10.-28.08.2010

"Sakha-Yakutia: Living Culture in Permafrost Area"

Spiritual legacy of the Northern peoples has attracted anthropologists from all over the world including researchers from Germany. Their exploration of the Arctic region made a major contribution to development of the science in Yakutia, particularly in the Humanities. History of the peoples inhabiting the Sakha Republic (Yakutia), their culture, traditions and customs can be of great value for students as well as for young scientists from Germany.

“Sakha-Yakutia – Living culture in permafrost area” is a wonderful opportunity to immerse yourself in multicultural society of Yakutia in the North-Eastern Siberia. Witness the historic, social, economic and cultural changes which occur in Yakutia at present time.



A three-week program includes lectures, workshops on history, culture and people of Yakutia, Elementary Intensive Russian, Intermediate Russian, and Elementary Sakha Language. The topics include ethnography of indigenous people of Yakutia, religious outlook, Yakut mythology and folklore, shamanism. The program also includes practical training in applied arts and crafts, field trips, visits to museums of Yakutsk, an open-air museum “Friendship”, ethnographic centers “Chochur-Muran”, “Ytyk Haya”. The students will also be able to live three days in a rural area – a typical Yakut village and to travel to the Lena Cliffs, Yakutia most famous tourist sight.

There might be changes in the program.



Target group: Students of the German Universities whose major is anthropology, ethnography, languages, history and other humanities.

Requirements: Knowledge of the Russian language is not necessary. All classes and out-of-class activities are in English or German.

Number of participants: 15 - minimum, 25 -maximum.

Accommodation: Student Hostel of Yakutsk State University

Number of hours: 72

Dates: Arrival: 09.08.09.

Classes: 10.08.10.-28.08.10.

Departure: 30.08.10.

Duration: 3 weeks

Fees: 850 Euro (including classes, field trips, tours and cultural activities)

Document issued after completion: YSU Certificate, 4 ECTS-Credits



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If you are invited to the summer school you can apply for the DAAD grant. For more information please visit www.goeast.daad.de

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