**Higher Education Today**

In the Republic of Belarus, fundamentality is the main feature of higher education. You can acquire deep knowledge in all fields, but the country is mostly known for its strong scientific schools in physics, mathematics, and natural science.

**Levels of higher education and length of study**

In Belarus, higher education is structured in three levels. The first level provides a Specialist’s Diploma typically lasts four years (except for medical and arts programs, which take five years). The second level, the Master's degree, lasts one to two years depending.

Graduates also have the possibility to proceed to the third level. Postgraduate three-year civil courses, military courses, medical probation period are confirmed with a Researcher’s Diploma, Belarusian Candidate of Science degree; postdoctoral course that leads to the degree of a full Doctor of Science

**University organisation and approach to studying**

All HEIs in Belarus are made up of faculties according to the specialities they provide.

**Assignments and Grades in Belarus**

The Belarusian education system varies by subject. Some courses assess students continuously through assignments and participation, while others may base grades solely on final exams or credits.

**Course of study**

The academic year in Belarus starts on September 1 and is divided into two terms, with shorter winter and longer summer holidays.

**My University**

**The Mission of BSUIR and Core Areas of Training**

BSUIR’s mission is to train engineers and scientists who can create innovative, high-tech products in computer science and electronics and others. It emphasizes academic excellence and practical research.

**The University Framework**

There are 8 faculties: the faculty of Computer-Aided design, the faculty of Information Technologies and Control, the faculty of Computer System and Networks and the Military faculty. University structure: Rector, vice-rectors, deans, Director of the Institute of Information Technology, heads of faculty, academics, professors and others.

T**he Teaching Staff of BSUIR**

The highly qualified teaching staff consists of academicians, professors, doctors, associate professors, senior lecturers, and assistants.

**Subjects being studied and the university curriculum**

The curriculum in BSUIR includes lectures, seminars, lab work, and practical classes, with a focus on profession-oriented skills. Exams, coursework, and assessments determine students' progress.

**University facilities at the students disposal**

BSUIR has extensive facilities, including engineering labs, a large library with electronic resources, and modern classrooms equipped with multimedia tools and wifi-access. Dormitories and sports facilities are also available for students.

**The Role of Sport and Extracurricular Activities**

Students are engaged in athletics, basketball, volleybal, swimming and other sports activities. There are all the necessary facilities available like a swimming pool, a fitness centre, open playgrounds, a ski depot, and a summer camp at the Braslav Lakes.

**Student Life**

**Personal Traits and Skills for University Success**

To succeed at BSUIR, students need strong time-management, problem-solving, and communication skills. A proactive attitude toward both academics and extracurricular activities is essential for balancing university life.

**Ways to Be a Better Student**

Effective study habits, active participation in classes, and regular involvement in practical projects are key to excelling as a student at BSUIR.

**My Daily Routine as a Student**

A typical day involves attending lectures and lab sessions, followed by independent study. I often do sports in the evening.

**The Main Characteristics of Academic Life and My Workload**

The workload consists of regular coursework, lab assignments, and exam preparation. It requires consistent effort, but access to university resources make it manageable.

**The Main Characteristics of My Extracurricular Activities**

Extracurricular activities at BSUIR range from sports to scientific projects and student clubs. These activities provide a balance to academic responsibilities and help in building friendships and networks**.**

**Student Social**

**How to Reach the Balance Between Academic and Social Life at University**

The most important thing is time management. Planning study sessions around social events and participating in group activities helps to ensure both academic success and personal well-being.