Nizhny Novgorod, a city of two million and a center of commerce between East and West, is known as the ‘third capital’ of Russia. It is located a few hours from Moscow and is close to some of the most beautifully preserved cities of medieval Russia. During Soviet times, the city, known as Gorky, was closed to foreigners and served as a site of exile. Today, it is known for IT, and is on UNESCO’s list of one hundred cities of world historical and cultural value. Students will participate in lectures on Russian language, grammar, literature, and folk art. Coursework is enriched by excursions to museums, monuments, religious sites, cultural outings to Moscow, as well as other historic cities.

DATES
16 May–1 July 2016

HOUSING
Students will stay in apartments of individuals or families, where a single room will be provided. Students should plan to room with another participant of the program.

Housing includes two meals a day (breakfast and dinner), seven days a week.

COURSES
Required

Courses are taught at the School of Higher Economics by HSE faculty and concentrate on vocabulary development, conversation, pronunciation, and cultural knowledge. Courses are held five days a week for five-six hours a day. Students will receive credit for the following courses:
RUSS 211 – Second-Year Conversation (4.0 credits)
RUSS 301 – Intermediate Russian on Study Abroad (2 credits)
RUSS 330 – Cultural History of Russia (3.0 credits)
**COST**
$4,500–5,000

Includes
LDS, undergraduate full tuition (increased cost for grad and non-LDS students), housing, two meals a day seven days a week, and all program excursions, and international health insurance.

Not included
Airfare, local transportation, personal expenses, or meals on excursions.
Part-time BYU students and non-BYU students will need to pay an additional tuition fee of approximately $270.

**PREPARATION**
Students should have completed RUSS 101 and 102 prior to departure.

Accepted students are required to participate in an international cross-cultural preparation course (IAS 201R 1.0 credit hour). This class will be held Wednesdays from 4:00 – 6:00 pm during the second block of winter semester 2015.

**FUNDING SOURCES**
Regular BYU tuition scholarships and Federal Insured Student Loans may be applied to Study Abroad programs.

Students who submit the financial aid section of the ISP application, and who have a current FAFSA form on file at the Financial Aid Office (A-41 ASB), will be considered for a Study Abroad scholarship.

Academic departments and colleges may assist with scholarships and grants. Private grants and scholarships outside of BYU may also be used (http://kennedy.byu.edu/scholarships).

**APPLICATION PROCESS**
Complete the online application at https://kennedy.byu.edu/apply
A non-refundable $35 application fee is required.
Applicants will be interviewed once the application is complete.
Students will be notified via e-mail of their acceptance into the program.

**Deadline: 20 December 2015**

**FACULTY**
Mark Purves is the Faculty Director of the program:
mark_purves@byu.edu, 801-422-8330

**SCHEDULE AND TIME COMMITMENT**
Students should refrain from scheduling late arrivals or early departures.

**INTERESTED STUDENTS SHOULD CONTACT**
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**PROGRAM ADJUSTMENTS**
ISP reserves the right to cancel this program, revise its offerings, or make any adjustments to the preliminary cost estimates due to conditions beyond its control.