UGA Students in Russia
For the 2014-2015 academic year, 15 UGA students went to Russia for educational experiences. The vast majority of these students studied in St. Petersburg and Moscow through the “Study Abroad in Russia” program operated by the Franklin College of Arts and Sciences. A further two students independently studied in St. Petersburg, through programs facilitated by the American Institute for Foreign Study and the Council on International Education Exchange.

Study Abroad in Russia
The Department of Germanic and Slavic Studies offers a 6-week summer study abroad program in St. Petersburg and Moscow. Students have an excellent opportunity to earn credit while studying various aspects of the Russian language and culture and experiencing that culture firsthand. The academic partners are leading universities in Russia: the Herzen State Pedagogical University in St. Petersburg and Moscow State University. The program is open to students of various skill levels in Russian language, from beginners who have no previous knowledge of the Russian language to more advanced students who have taken elementary or intermediate Russian.

Visiting Students, Scholars, & Researchers
Additionally, many Russian students and scholars have come to study and research at UGA. For the 2014-2015 academic year, UGA hosted 12 students from Russia, most of which studied physical sciences, education, and family sciences. Four visiting scholars conducted research in the areas of merchandising, marine science, economics, and chemistry.

Other Partnerships & Connections
- Gnesins Russian Academy of Music: Gnesins Academy has joined forces with UGA’s Hugh Hodgson School of Music to foster faculty and student mobility, resulting in the international exchange of UGA professors, graduate students, and undergraduate students.
- Russian Academy of Sciences: UGA has partnered with the Far Eastern Branch, Russian Academy of Sciences, Institute of Volcanology and Seismology (FAB-RAS-IVS) to facilitate student/faculty mobility as well as joint research. Faculty at UGA have worked with researchers at FAB-RAS-IVS on issues relating to hot spring environments in the far eastern regions of Russia, funded by the National Science Foundation as well as the Civilian Research and Defense Fund.
- Volga State Academy of Physical Culture, Sport, and Tourism: UGA’S Kinesiology Department began working with the Volga State Academy in 2012 to develop a Sports Institute for Instruction and Research. This joint effort offers opportunities for UGA students and faculty to take part in research in the areas of sports management, kinesiology, and sports medicine.