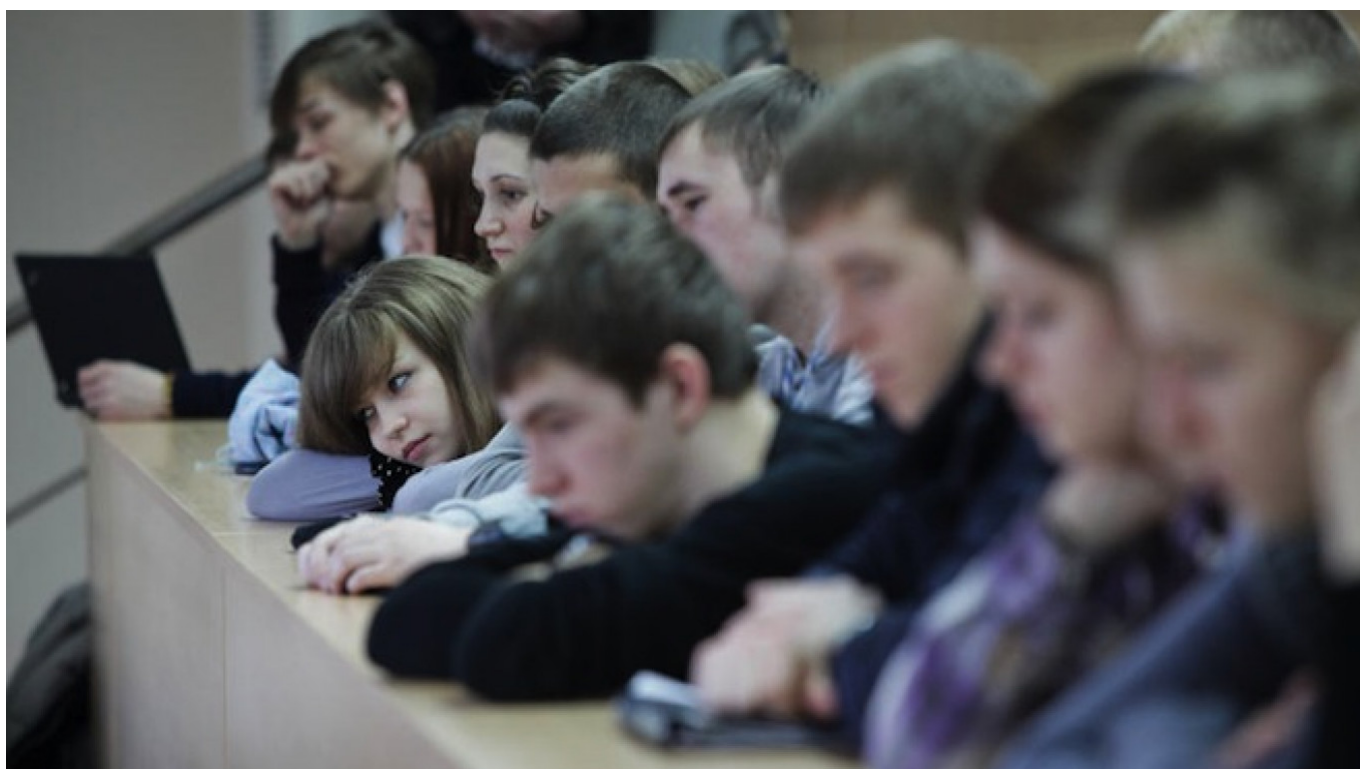


Russian Students to Get Paid Foreign Education – If They Return Home Afterward

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Russia will pay for its students to study at elite foreign universities, provided they return home to work after graduation, Education and Science Minister Dmitry Livanov was cited as saying by news agency TASS.

The program, titled “Global Education,” was signed into force in June 2014 and is designed to send 1,500 Russian students abroad for the 2014 through 2016 school years, Livanov said, the Ekho Moskvyy radio station reported Sunday.

The government has approved a list of prestigious world universities for which students can receive funding from the state budget, including the United States' Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Harvard and Yale, and Britain's Cambridge and Oxford, Ekho Moskvyy reported.

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