



## LEARNING AND STUDENTS

### Study programs

The idea of sustainable development is embodied in all educational programs. [Several Bachelor's and Master's degree programs in Architecture and Design](#) are aimed to bring up a new generation of professionals capable to build sustainable environment and revitalize buildings to meet requirements of safe and resilient cities. For example, [Master's program in Architecture of Sustainable Environment](#) teaches students to create new urban environment from the perspective of green infrastructure.



### Brownfield restoration for educational purposes

INRTU reconstructed the [Chernorud training camp](#) to create a better scientific and educational training ground for students and researchers from all over Russia. Now the camp is a unique place of internship to study geological, mineralogical, ecological landscape conditions and complete scientific research.



### Sustainable campus

INRTU continues to participate in the preparation of a competitive project to create an Interuniversity campus in Irkutsk. The campus concept prioritizes pedestrian access and building of a bicycle and pedestrian bridge to connect Yunost Island with the western territory of the city. The project was supported by different levels of government, including the Governor of the Irkutsk Region and the Ministry of Economic Development, Public Chamber, etc.



### Art and nature heritage for everyone

[INRTU History Museum](#) and [the Mineralogical Museum named after Anatolii V. Sidorov](#) support more sustainable communities by providing access to the Museum collections for more than 55 thousand visitors every year. The Museums' collections contain more than 41 000 items.

INRTU has its own [sports and health camp "Polytechnic"](#), which is located in the forest zone and picturesque bay of the Angara River. Every summer, more than 400 INRTU students can rest in the Polytechnic for free.

41 000 items  
in museum  
collection



More than 100 mln  
rubles spent on art  
and heritage



### Celebration of cultural diversity

INRTU students actively preserve Russian history and cultural traditions and values. The original ["Kalina" folkband](#) and ["Ethnobot" Ethnic band](#) represent both the traditions of Russian folk culture and local folklore. Being a multinational university, INRTU holds various events for international students.

One of such event was Africa Day hold at INRTU in May 2022. African students celebrated their national cultures, traditions and holidays with other students and teachers.



### The leader of youth creativity

Currently INRTU is the leader of youth creativity among all universities in Irkutsk region. INRTU has more than 20 student art clubs of different genres and directions, holding around 200 events and performances annually on a regular basis at major campus venues and outside the campus. Among the well-known festivals where our students participate and win top prizes are "The Sparkle of Russia", "Siberia is the territory of Peace and Harmony", "Student Spring on Lake Baikal".



### Sustainable commuting

The number of employees and students commuting on bicycles is growing every year. There are bus, trolleybus and tram stops near the University. Many employees walk to work. To minimize vehicle commuting, the University provides remote work opportunities for the employees. In 2022 in the health camp Polytechnic, located on the 17th kilometer of the Baikal Highway and occupying

an area of more than 17 hectares, a rental point for bicycles and scooters was launched to move around the camp territory, as well as the adjacent territory. Rental is available to all campers.

Besides INRTU professors promote ecological thinking among the Irkutsk citizens and have built [an electric vehicle charging station](#) on campus. The service is available for any car owners.



### Housing support

INRTU pays special attention to the construction of [housing for university staff](#) and students. About 4 thousand Russian and foreign students are placed in 19 dormitories located on campus. But INRTU plans to increase the number of housing for students by reconstructing three buildings occupied by the university departments into dormitories. Likewise some categories of students are provided with the priority placement benefits and accommodation fee discounts. When building Irkutsk [Interuniversity Campus](#), more housing for professors will be constructed.

### Clean and green

The ongoing scheduled and capital repairs of the premises is carried out with consideration to the energy consumption optimization, water use efficiency, improved ventilation system and modern environmentally friendly finishing materials.

Since 2022, the university has installed devices with indicators of carbon dioxide and dust that allow monitoring the microclimate in classrooms. University professors and students participate in the implementation of regional priority projects for green construction of new buildings, conduct research and development of building materials and engineering systems that will improve the environmental situation in the region.