

Kabardino-Balkarian State University (KBSU) (Nalchik, Russia) was established in 1957 on the basis of Teacher Training Institute, which was founded in 1932. It was awarded the Order of Friendship of Peoples in 1982.

According to its Mission KBSU, is a leading Russian classical university.

In compliance with the monitoring results within the years of 2004-2010 KBSU was among the top ten classical universities in Russia, and in 2012-2015 entered the top 100 ranking universities in Russia and SNG.

Among the 54 best universities in Russia KBSU won a federal competition to support strategic development of Russian universities in 2012-2014.

In KBSU educational programs of higher, secondary, postgraduate and professional education are implemented.

Currently, about 12.8 thousand students are trained at KBSU; among them more than 8.8 thousand students – in the specialties, bachelor's and master' programs; 1359 student are being trained in postgraduate, doctoral, internship and residency programs.

Research at the University is carried out by 180 professors, 518 candidates of sciences, 6 members of the State Academies.

In 2014 the volume of research funding amounted to 5.2 million euros. KBSU is far ahead of all universities of the Federal District according to this indicator and number of scientific papers and citations in the Scopus database.

KBSU currently maintains contacts with 49 foreign universities, research centers and companies from several countries.

In the 2014/2015 academic year 565 international students from more than 20 countries are trained at KBSU; 77 physicians from Jordan and other countries completed courses of advanced training and certification.

KBSU is currently implementing bi-diploma programs with 4 foreign universities.

In 2013, the University became a member of IREG Observatory and the FP7 program.

Sport achievements of the University students are widely known as well: KBSU student Arsen Galstyan student became an Olympic champion in judo at the London Olympics.

A creative workshop of a famous film director Alexander Sokurov is currently operating at KBSU.