

List of documents for passing the entrance examination in the form of competitive selection (portfolio) for foreign citizens entering through a separate competition, and criteria for evaluating the portfolio.

Master's Programme "Physics"

Portfolio's element	Description	Grading S (100-points scale)
<i>Mandatory Documents</i>		
CV	CV should indicate: the date and place of birth of the applicant; the name of the educational institutions of secondary and higher education that the applicant graduated from, and the years of study in these institutions; the organizations in which the applicant worked (if available); other data on professional development (if available). If all the information is presented correctly, then CV is rated at full score, otherwise – 0 points.	5
Motivation letter	In the motivation letter, the applicant must answer the following questions in detail: 1) why do you want to study in Russia? (maximum of 2 points). 2) Why did you choose an educational program for the HSE Faculty of Physics? (maximum 3 points). 3) Which of the educational tracks presented on the website of the Faculty of Physics (https://physics.hse.ru/en/) in the section "Basic departments and specializations", you are most interested in and why? (maximum of 5 points).	10
Document confirming the level of education	A document and an appendix with grades in the studied disciplines must be submitted. Diploma with honors – 10 points, grades only "good" and "excellent" - 7 points, in other cases – 4 points.	10
Letters of recommendation (from the employer and/or supervisor)	A letter of recommendation indicating achievements in the educational field – 5 points. A letter of recommendation indicating success in the scientific or professional field – 5 points.	10
<i>Documents that can be included in the portfolio</i>		

Documents confirming the availability of scientific publications, presentations at scientific seminars/conferences	Oral presentation at the international conference.*	7
	Poster presentation at the international conference.*	3
	Invited presentation at the international conference.*	10
	Oral presentation at the local conference.*	3
	Poster presentation at the local conference.*	1
	Invited presentation at the local conference.*	5
	Article in a scientific physical journal indexed by the Web of Science or Scopus and included in 1 st quartile.*	15
	Article in a scientific physical journal indexed by the Web of Science or Scopus and included in 2 nd quartile.*	10
	Article in a scientific physical journal indexed by the Web of Science or Scopus and included in 3 rd and 4 th quartiles.*	5
Documents confirming the level of proficiency in foreign languages	International IELTS or TOEFL certificate – 5 points; A certificate or other document from a university – 2 points/	5
Documents confirming the experience of research activities	Patent application** – 5 points; Patent ** – 10 points.	15

* - Points for a portfolio item can be counted multiple times. If the sum of the points for all the elements of the portfolio exceeds 100, the score for the portfolio is considered equal to 100.

** - Points for a portfolio item are counted only once.