

**Master's Program in
Cognitive sciences and technologies: from neuron to cognition
Application portfolio**

1.	CV (with a recent photo, publications, conferences, Summer schools, etc)
2.	A Statement of interest (motivation letter), A Statement of interest must be written by the applicant in English (recommended size is 1-2 pages). This is an informal communication – please make it meaningful and avoid trivialities.
3.	Transcript of grades and Diploma certificate
4.	A recent course project or Thesis in cognitive sciences or related areas (biology, neuroscience, psychology, linguistics, math etc.), and projects that are not part of a regular university curriculum. Written original texts by the applicants, both of research type and reference type, e.g. articles, shall be submitted in electronic form (PDF files).
5.	Recommendation letters (one required, two recommended) from a project advisor and (or) from a faculty member (or any relevant person) who is familiar with the achievements of the applicant. Recommendations can be written in English or in Russian. In CV applicants should provide full contact information of recommenders.
6.	Diplomas or certificates confirming honors and awards of the applicant (for winners of student Olympiads, research project competitions etc.), academic scholarships and grants received by the applicant. Please attach the scanned versions of these documents to your e-mail application.
7.	<p>All basic courses will be taught in English. Therefore, students are expected to have full command of written and spoken English. As a condition of entering the M.Sc. program, applicants must provide an English Language Proficiency Certificate.</p> <p><i>Applicants who are graduates of B.Sc. programs, on which the official language of instruction was English, are exempt from providing a language certificate.</i></p> <p>Our minimal requirements are as follows: Score a minimum of 6 points in IELTS, or 80 points in TOEFL IBT (Internet Based), or 500 points in TOEFL PBT (Paper Based)).</p> <p>In July the Higher School of Economics offers its own computer tests of English. These are offered to applicants free of charge. A passing grade on this test can be used instead of an international language certificate</p>