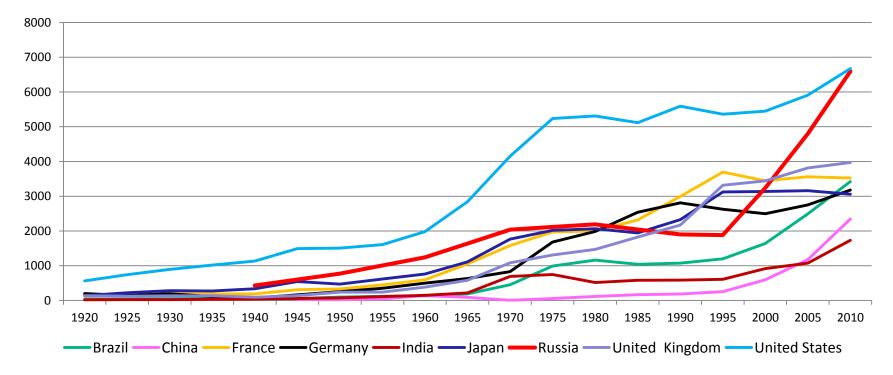
FOUR CHALLENGES FOR UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION IN RUSSIAN UNIVERSITIES

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1. Post-Massification

Higher Education Enrollment per 100,000 Population, Europe, Japan, United States, and BRIC Countries, 1920-2005 (students enrolled/100,000 population).

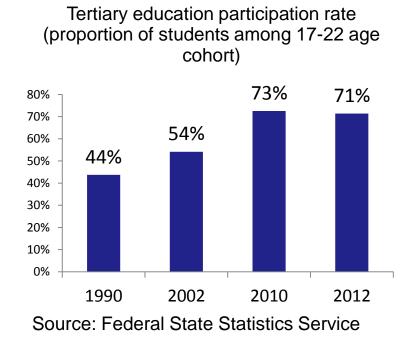


Source: Derived from (Carnoy et al., 2013)



1. Post-Massification

- Almost universal access to higher education: HE degree is a social imperative in Russia
- Stratification of universities
- Adjusting admission process to the realities of universal HE
- How to teach more and more heterogeneous student body?
- How to ensure quality of HE?



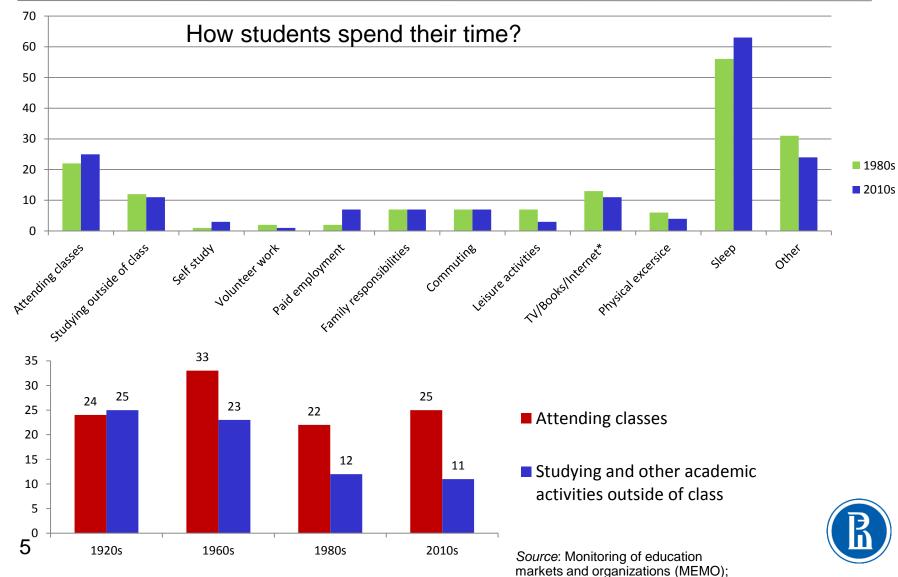


2. Soviet Path Dependency

- Narrow and rigid professional curricula
- Lack of flexibility for developing students' individual trajectories
- Separation of research from teaching
- Imitation of student representation

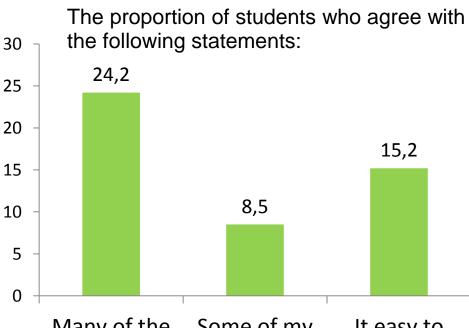


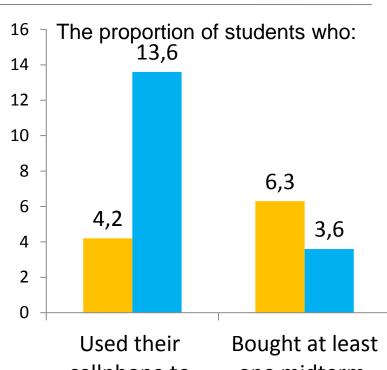
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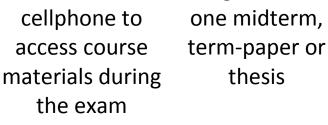
3. Academic Cheating





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Source: Student survey in leading Russian universities in the fields of economics and management, N=3924



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4. International competition

Regional hub for ex-USSR countries **or more**?

- Quality of student facilities and services
- Teaching in English
- Degree recognition





Thank you!

