

Russian Language program

at KIMEP University

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RUSSIAN AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS B1 level

(9 credits / 15 ECTS)

The program consists of two separate courses, namely *RUS1101 Intensive Russian* and *RUS1102 Speaking Practice*, which are intended for international/exchange students. The program courses are offered yearly, upon sufficient demand, unless indicated otherwise. Tuition fees rates are available online at https://www.kimep.kz/prospective-students/en/tuition-and-fees/

This program is intended to motivate international students in their Russian language learning, develop communication skills in real situations, and improve knowledge and appreciation of Russian culture. The program consists of 2 concurrent courses. It is highly recommended to take both courses together. This program is only for non-degree and exchange students from outside CIS countries.

RUS1101 Intensive Russian – 6 credits / 10 ECTS

The purpose of this course is to increase vocabulary, expand and deepen knowledge in the field of grammar, enhance acquisition of Russian-language skills in reading and writing. Students will perform various language and speech (communicative) exercises, arranged on the principle of increasing complexity, which are aimed at comprehension and consolidation of language material, as well as filling gaps in students' knowledge. The course offers writing practice to help students write simple, connected text on familiar topics that are of personal interest. Texts include messages, short essays and emails. In addition, it supports each skills-based lesson with speaking activities designed to give students the opportunity to acquire and practice vocabulary and grammar.

- recognise the grammatical forms of Russian and use these forms in specific communicative contexts;
- recognise different grammar and lexical constructions;
- show understanding of texts that consist mainly of high-frequency everyday language;
- write simple connected text on topics which are familiar, or of personal interest.

RUS1102 Speaking Practice – 3 credits / 5 ECTS

This course focuses primarily on the development of oral language skills. Students will improve fluency, intonation and pronunciation, will learn and practice useful phrases that will help them to speak Russian clearly and effectively. The course will help students develop effective strategies for oral communication through a wide range of activities such as electronic conversations, role-plays, presentations and interviews. The course will be taught in small groups with a native speaker (student assistant).

- deal with most situations likely to arise whilst travelling in an area where the language is spoken;
- enter unprepared into conversation on topics that are familiar, of personal interest or pertinent to everyday life (e. g. family, hobbies, work, travel and current events);
- · connect phrases in a simple way in order to describe experiences and events, dreams, hopes and ambitions;
- briefly give reasons and explanations for opinions and plans;
- · narrate a story or relate the plot of a book or film, and describe their reactions.



RUSSIAN AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE

B2 level

(9 credits / 15 ECTS)

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This program is intended to develop communicative language competence which includes linguistic, pragmatic and sociolinguistic components through reception (listening and reading comprehension), production and interaction (speaking and writing) as well as mediation (translation) language skills at upper-intermediate user level (B2).

RUS1103 Intensive Russian – 6 credits / 10 ECTS

The goal of this B2 level course is to deepen all the linguistic skills acquired previously, activate the students' interest in the Russian language and culture by analyzing and discussing the specificity of social problems in Russia and other important issues. Students develop their morphological, syntactical and lexical skills, learn to listen to complicated texts and select means of communication appropriate to a situation, communicate in various situations, express their opinion, grasp ideas, determine logical links and put forward the arguments. Students gain the competence which enables them to communicate logically, fluently and correctly in Russian in various situations. The form of studies includes seminars, self-study tasks and work in the virtual MOODLE environment (synchronous and asynchronous conversations and discussion forums, interactive tests and exercises).

- easily write messages and essays in Russian;
- recognise different grammar and lexical constructions;
- show understanding of texts that consist mainly of high-frequency everyday language;
- read voluminous texts of various genres and understand basic and additional information.
- write personal letters describing experiences and impressions.

RUS1102 Speaking Practice - 3 credits / 5 ECTS

This course focuses primarily on the development of oral language skills. Students will improve fluency, intonation and pronunciation, will learn and practice useful phrases that will help them to speak Russian clearly and effectively. The course will help students develop effective strategies for oral communication through a wide range of activities such as electronic conversations, role-plays, presentations and interviews. The course will be taught in small groups with a native speaker (student assistant).

- maintain a conversation with a native speaker on everyday topics, talk about yourself, family, study, work, talk about global problems;
- communicate with native speakers in various life situations;
- in accordance with the norms of Russian speech etiquette, practice social communicative interactions;
- request and report information.



RUSSIAN LANGUAGE COURSES FOR DEGREE STUDENTS

RUS1301 Beginning Russian (3 credits/5 ECTS)

Prerequisites: none

This Beginning Russian course introduces the basic elements of the Russian language in such a way as to enable students to engage in simple communication. It also provides a good foundation for further study of the language. Practice is given in the four skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing. Basic vocabulary and elementary grammatical structures are introduced. The course focuses on writing short compositions, dictations, delivering monologues, intensive and extensive reading of graded books. Speaking and listening skills will be developed primarily through self-study assignments.

RUS1302 Elementary Russian (3 credits/5 ECTS)

Prerequisite: RUS1301 Beginning Russian

The course assumes the knowledge of all the materials covered in RUS 1301. This course is designed to provide students with a solid background in the four language learning skills: speaking, listening, reading and writing. A special focus of this course is given to developing speaking skills as an integral part of the learning process. Students will learn to communicate in simple terms about their house/flat and their immediate needs, and to describe and comment on their living situations and daily and leisure-time activities. Reading and listening activities will focus on a variety of topics from everyday life in Russian-speaking countries. Students will also have an opportunity to learn about Russian culture and traditions.

RUS1304 Pre-Intermediate Russian (3 credits/5 ECTS)

Prerequisite: RUS1303 Elementary Russian

This course is a continuation of RUS1303 Elementary Russian and is aimed at students who possess sufficient basic knowledge of phonetics, morphology and syntax of the Russian language and have experience in everyday speech in Russian. The course will help to improve students' accents, to provide proper intonation, to improve their knowledge of Russian grammar, and to introduce the basic features of functional styles of the Russian language. This course will greatly expand the vocabulary and common lexicon, and will form a reserve of "background knowledge" of Russian culture. Students will learn not only to participate in educational discussions, but also to lead them. The course involves watching television and listening to lectures and recorded

guides to historical Russian cities. Tasks will include a need to describe, narrate, explain and reason about the given cultural information.

RUS1306 Intermediate Russian (3 credits/5 ECTS)

Prerequisites: RUS1305 Pre-Intermediate Russian

This course is intended to motivate students in their Russian language learning, develop communication skills in real situations, and improve knowledge and appreciation of Russian culture. The course is intended to be communicative, with a focus on active student participation and the use of many different learning resources (textbooks, recordings, computers, etc.). Cultural and literary readings are used to expand vocabulary, stimulate discussion, and broaden understanding of the Russian world. Constant review and acquisition of new knowledge are fundamental requirements for the study of this course.

RUS1308 Upper Intermediate Russian (3 credits/5 ECTS)

Prerequisite: RUS1307 Intermediate Russian 2 or equivalent or any Kazakh Language Course

This is an upper intermediate level 1 course aimed at enhancing the four basic skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing. The course is taught in Russian by native-speakers. Vocabulary, and oral communication skills, as well as comprehension and production of written Russian, will be taught through a combination of class discussion and focused individual and group exercises, using tutor-recommended texts and multimedia resources. The course will encourage students to read and comprehend news and journals in the original language; provide students an opportunity to bolster vocabulary for both literary and Kazakhstani contextual needs; conduct research and compose coherent written or recorded texts on various topics. The communicative component will cover both everyday situations and formal presentations related to students' research interests, focusing on vocabularies for specific needs, such as travel, business, socializing, or tourism.

RUS2001 Advanced Russian (3 credits/5 ECTS)

Prerequisite: RUS1308 Upper Intermediate 1, RUS1309 Upper Intermediate Russian 2 or equivalent This course provides lower advanced students of Russian with an opportunity to continue their study of the language, concentrating on the development of the four skills: reading, writing, speaking and listening. To strengthen their writing, students will be required to write several essays during the course of the semester. Work for the course will involve regular study of new vocabulary, reading a variety of texts, and writing essays. A main focus of this course is communication within a variety of contexts while trying to enhance listening, reading comprehension, and oral proficiency.

RUS2101 Professional Russian 1 (2 credits/3 ECTS)

Prerequisites: RUS1302 Elementary Russian, RUS1304 Pre-Intermediate Russian

This course prepares students to use Russian for their professional studies and consequently for their professional needs in real life and work. It further helps students master Russian language skills by using economic and professional terminology and fundamental business communication tools such as writing memoranda, letters, e- mail, practicing interviews and delivering presentations. The classroom focus will be on the use and improvement of Russian speaking and communication skills within the context of the business world.

RUS2102 Professional Russian 2 (2 credits/3 ECTS)

Prerequisites: RUS1364 Intermediate Russian, RUS1308 Upper-Intermediate Russian

The course focuses on the study of the current state of the Russian language and the rules of literate speech building. Students will learn various words and phrases in their specialty and develop speaking skills in the area of their profession. In this course, the student will improve the general level of their Russian in oral and written forms and develop skills for work with specialized terminology from their professional field.

RUS2103 Professional Russian 3 (2 credits/3 ECTS)

Prerequisites: RUS2001 Advanced Russian, KAZ2001 Business Correspondence in Kazakh, KAZ2004 Public Speaking in Kazakh, KAZ2005 Academic Writing in Kazakh

The main objective of this course is to study the Russian literary language norms necessary for a specialist in the field of business and professional communications as well as the effective methods of professional communication in oral and written forms. The course contains basic information on stylistics and grammar of spoken and written language, the rules of speech etiquette and speech mastery.

RUS3301 Survey of Russian Literature (3 credits/5 ECTS)

Prerequisite: ENG2101 Introduction to Literary Studies

Introduction to the classics of Russian literature in translation, beginning with Pushkin in the early nineteenth century and concluding with the works of Dostoevsky and Tolstoy in the later part of that century. This course provides a survey of Russian literature of the 20th-century and it is conducted in Russian/English.

RUS3302 Business Communication in Russian (3 credits/5 ECTS)

Prerequisites: Advanced-level proficiency in Russian

This course is designed for native speakers of Russian and for students with advanced knowledge of Russian as a second language. It is meant to provide students with a comprehensive review of Russian business communication, and its scope and importance in business. The course also aims to expand students' awareness of certain important aspects of business life such as corporate culture, guiding principles of business ethics, cross-cultural relations in business, and business communications by e-mail, Russian standards of office management and so forth. This course offers opportunities to develop communication skills through speaking and writing assignments and presentations based on research of real business cases.

TRN4101 Topics in Translation: Russian Stylistics (3 credits, ECTS)

Prerequisite: TRN 2101 Introduction to Translation and completion of all four Academic English courses and Russian proficiency.

This advanced course focuses on particular topics in translation, including both practical topics (such as translation in the health care or tourism industries, conference interpreting, and movie subtitling) and theoretical topics (such as the history of translation or the role of translation in globalization).

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