

RUS 2220 (section 6558): Intermediate Russian I
Course Syllabus, Fall 2017

Time: MWF 4 (10:40 - 11:50)

Place: LIT 113

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Goals, content and format of the course:

“Intermediate Russian I” (RUS 2220) is the first of a two-semester sequence for those who have completed two semesters of Introductory Russian. In “Intermediate Russian I” you will develop the reading, listening, speaking and writing skills appropriate for second-year proficiency in Russian. By the end of the course your ability to communicate effectively in Russian will begin to approach an advanced level. Toward that end all participants are expected to participate regularly and actively in all class meetings and activities. In class everyone is encouraged to speak Russian as much as possible, but we will resort to English if/whenever necessary to clarify otherwise incomprehensible lexical and grammatical points.

Course prerequisites: For this course all students must have completed our two-semester Introductory Russian sequence (RUS 1130 & RUS 1131) **OR** received permission from me by passing an advanced placement exam (see me for details).

Required course textbooks & materials:

- *B Пыму: Russian Grammar in Context* (2nd ed.) by Kagan, Miller & Kudyma (Pearson/Prentice Hall, 2006);
- *Student Activities Manual for B Пыму: Russian Grammar in Context*, 2nd ed. (Pearson/Prentice Hall, 2006);
- Supplementary assignments, to be available on our course “E-learning/Canvas” space (elearning.ufl.edu);
- Access to the *B Пыму* online textbook and workbook materials (textbook exercises; Student Activities Manual exercises; video clips (for chapters 3 & 5) and “Interactive Exercises,” all currently being moved to a new online site [<https://ccle.ucla.edu/course/view/intrmrussn>], for which you will need access (with a personal user name & password). Currently the old publicly-accessible address is: <http://www.russian.ucla.edu/vputi/>.

Course requirements:

- Regular attendance and active participation in all classroom activities, where “active” means fully attentive to the day’s lesson and thus *NOT* occupied by an electronic device or other personal affairs. See “Attendance policy,” below.
- Thorough completion and assimilation of all assigned readings, activities and exercises from our course textbook and workbook. Assigned readings and exercises must be completed *PRIOR* to the class day for which they are designated.
- Thorough, accurate and punctual completion of each supplementary homework assignment [“**письменное задание**”], which will consist mainly of exercises based on material from our textbook and workbook (and thus serve as a review of that material). Your submitted (supplementary) homework will be marked and evaluated.
- Completion of six in-class tests [контрольные] based on required course readings, homework, and class activities. Due to the large number of tests throughout this course, *there will NOT be a comprehensive final exam*.

Grading criteria. Final course grades will be based on the following percentages:

- Total attendance (= total number of class meetings *attended*) [see “Attendance policy,” below]..... 10%
- Course participation (= attendance percentage [NOT including officially excused absences — see “Attendance policy,” below]; + punctual and thorough completion of all assignments; + full engagement in all classroom activities)..... 10%
- Supplementary review (writing) assignments [«**Письменные задания**»]..... 10%
- Контрольная № 1 [Test on Chapter 1], in class on Thursday, Sept. 7. *14%
- Контрольная № 2 [Test on Chapter 2], in class on Tuesday, Sept. 26. *14%
- Контрольная № 3 [Test on Chapter 3], in class on Thursday, Oct. 12. *14%
- Контрольная № 4 [Test on Chapter 4], in class on Tuesday, Oct. 31. *14%
- Контрольная № 5 [Test on Chapter 5], in class on Thursday, Nov. 16. *14%
- Контрольная № 6 [Test on Chapter 6], in class on Tuesday, Dec. 5. *14%

*The lowest of the six test scores will be dropped, thus lowering the overall test percentage to 70% (= 5 x 14%).

The dates for the six in-class tests [контрольные] will not be changed except in case of an official cancellation of U.F. academic activity on those days, so be sure to attend on those dates!

Final course grades will be assigned according to the following scale: **A** = a final course percentage of 93-100; **A-** = 90-92; **B+** = 87-89; **B** = 83-86; **B-** = 80-82; **C+** = 77-79; **C** = 73-76; **C-** = 70-72; **D+** = 67-69; **D** = 63-66; **D-** = 60-62; **E** = less than 60. Note that the University of Florida issues grade points according to the following scale: A: 4.0 grade points; A-: 3.67; B+: 3.33; B: 3; B-: 2.67; C+: 2.33; C: 2.0; C-: 1.67; D+: 1.33; D: 1.0; D-: .67; E: 0; WF: 0; I: 0; NG: 0; S-U: 0. For information on U.F. grading policies, see: <https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/grades.aspx>.

Attendance policy: Requirements for class attendance and make-up exams, assignments, and other work in this course are consistent with UF policies (see catalog: <https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx>). Although there is no penalty for officially excusable absences (as defined by university policy), *NOTE* that *the number of class meetings attended* counts for 10% of the course grade. Thus if a class is missed, even for officially acceptable reasons, then an attendance point will not be gained for that day. The attendance score will equal the percentage of meetings actually attended, so *be sure to sign the attendance list daily*. Officially excused absences will figure in the attendance percentage, which constitutes one-third of the “course participation” score.

Laptop & cellphone policy:

Everyone will be expected to *TURN OFF* their laptops and cell phone ringers and other electronic devices while in class. Anyone who receives an emergency phone call or alert will be expected to *leave the classroom quietly* before responding to the call. Please *NOTE*, however, that frequent and repeated departures from the classroom throughout the semester will negatively affect one’s “Course participation” grade at the end of the semester.

Make-up policy: Except in the case of a certified illness or other officially approved reason (e.g. U.F.-assigned travel), there will be no make-up option for missed tests (контрольные). Please do *NOT* request an individual assignment for extra credit in place of a missed test (or missed assignment, or missed classes)! If/when unavoidable, a make-up test should be arranged in person with me *prior* to an anticipated absence. In case of certified illness, you should contact me immediately following your return to classes to arrange for a make-up test.

Classroom accommodation: Students with disabilities requesting accommodations should first register with the Disability Resource Center (352-392-8565, www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/) by providing appropriate documentation. Once registered, students will receive an accommodation letter which must be presented to the instructor when requesting accommodation. Students with disabilities should follow this procedure as early as possible in the semester.

Course evaluation policy: Students are expected to provide online feedback on the quality of instruction in this course at <https://evaluations.ufl.edu>. Evaluations are typically open during the last two or three weeks of the semester, but students will be given specific times when they are open. Summary results of these assessments are available to students at <https://evaluations.ufl.edu/results>.

Everyone enrolled in this course is expected to adhere to **Student Conduct & Honor Code**: <http://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conduct-honor-code/>

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Our **weekly schedule of course activities and assignments** is appended to the online version of this Course Syllabus, which is posted on our course “e-learning” site (elearning.ufl.edu) [follow the links to (1) “Files” and then (2) “Course Syllabus”].

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Week 01 (Aug. 21-24): ГЛАВА 1

- пн. [Mon.], 21 авг. [21 Aug.]: **Знакомство**
- вт. [Tues.], 22 авг. [22 Aug.]: **Гл. 1, Тема 1**
- ср. [Wed.], 23 авг. [23 Aug.]: **Гл. 1, Тема 1**
- чт. [Thurs.], 24 авг. [24 Aug.]: **Гл. 1, Тема 1**

Week 02 (Aug. 28–31): ГЛАВА 1 (продолжение)

- пн., 28 авг.: **Гл. 1, Тема 2 (+ Задание 1.1 due in class)**
- вт., 29 авг.: **Гл. 1, Тема 2**
- ср., 30 авг.: **Гл. 1, Тема 2**
- чт., 31 авг.: **Гл. 1, Тема 3 (+ Задание 1.2 due in class)**

Week 03 (Sept. 4-7): ГЛАВА 1

- пн., 4 сент. [4 Sept.]: **NO CLASS** (holiday)
- вт., 5 сент.: **Гл. 1, Тема 3**
- ср., 6 сент.: **Гл. 1, Тема 3**
- чт., 7 сент.: **Контрольная № 1**

Week 04 (Sept. 11-14): ГЛАВА 2

- пн., 11 сент.: **Гл. 2, Тема 1**
- вт., 12 сент.: **Гл. 2, Тема 1**
- ср., 13 сент.: **Гл. 2, Тема 1**
- чт., 14 сент.: **Гл. 2, Тема 2 (+ Задание 2.1 due in class)**

Week 05 (Sept. 18-21): ГЛАВА 2

- пн., 18 сент.: **Гл. 2, Тема 2**
- вт., 19 сент.: **Гл. 2, Тема 2**
- ср., 20 сент.: **Гл. 2, Тема 3 (+ Задание 2.2 due in class)**
- чт., 21 сент.: **Гл. 2, Тема 3**

Week 06 (Sept. 25-28): ГЛАВА 2–3

- пн., 25 сент. [Mon, Sept 25]: **Гл. 2, Тема 3**
- вт., 26 сент. [Tu., Sept. 26]: **Контрольная № 2**
- ср., 27 сент. [Wed., Sept. 27]: **Гл. 3, Тема 1**
- чт., 28 сент. [Th., Sept. 28]: **Гл. 3, Тема 1**

Week 07 (Oct. 2-5): ГЛАВА 3

- пн., 2 окт. [2 October]: **Гл. 3, Тема 1**
- вт., 3 окт.: **Гл. 3, Тема 2 (+ Задание 3.1 due in class)**
- ср., 4 окт.: **Гл. 3, Тема 2**
- чт., 5 окт.: **Гл. 3, Тема 2**

Week 08 (Oct. 9-12): ГЛАВА 3

- пн., 9 окт.: **Гл. 3, Тема 3 (+ Задание 3.2 due in class)**
- вт., 10 окт.: **Гл. 3, Тема 3**
- ср., 11 окт.: **Гл. 3, Тема 3**
- чт., 12 окт.: **Контрольная № 3**

Week 09 (Oct. 16-19): ГЛАВА 4

- пн., 16 окт.: **Гл. 4, Тема 1**
- вт., 17 окт.: **Гл. 4, Тема 1**
- ср., 18 окт.: **Гл. 4, Тема 1**
- чт., 19 окт.: **Гл. 4, Тема 2 (+ Задание 4.1 due in class)**

Week 10 (Oct. 23-26): ГЛАВА 4

- пн., 23 окт.: **Гл. 4, Тема 2**
- вт., 24 окт.: **Гл. 4, Тема 2**
- ср., 25 окт.: **Гл. 4, Тема 3 (+ Задание 4.2 due in class)**
- чт., 26 окт.: **Гл. 4, Тема 3**

Week 11 (Oct. 30-Nov. 2): ГЛАВА 4–5

- пн., 30 окт.: **Гл. 4, Тема 3**
- вт., 31 окт.: **Контрольная № 4**
- ср., 1 нояб. [1 November]: **Гл. 5, Тема 1**
- чт., 2 нояб.: **Гл. 5, Тема 1**

Week 12 (Nov. 6-9): ГЛАВА 5

- пн., 6 нояб.: **Гл. 5, Тема 1**
- вт., 7 нояб.: **Гл. 5, Тема 2 (Задание 5.1 due in class)**
- ср., 8 нояб.: **Гл. 5, Тема 2**
- чт., 9 нояб.: **Гл. 5, Тема 2**

Week 13 (Nov. 13-16): ГЛАВА 5

- пн., 13 нояб.: **Гл. 5, Тема 3 (Задание 5.2 due in class)**
- вт., 14 нояб.: **Гл. 5, Тема 3**
- ср., 15 нояб.: **Гл. 5, Тема 3**
- чт., 16 нояб.: **Контрольная № 5**

Week 14 (Nov. 20-23): ГЛАВА 6

- пн., 20 нояб.: **Гл. 6, Тема 1**
- вт., 21 нояб.: **Гл. 6, Тема 1**
- ср., 22 нояб.: **Гл. 6, Тема 1**
- чт., 23 нояб.: **Гл. 6, Тема 2 (Задание 6.1 due in class)**

Week 15 (Nov. 27-30): ГЛАВА 6

- пн., 27 нояб.: **Гл. 6, Тема 2**
- вт., 28 нояб.: **Гл. 6, Тема 2**
- ср., 29 нояб.: **Гл. 6, Тема 3 (Задание 6.2 due in class)**
- чт., 30 нояб.: **Гл. 6, Тема 3**

Week 16 (Dec. 4-6): ГЛАВА 6

- пн., 4 дек. [4 Dec.]: **Гл. 6, Тема 3**
- вт., 5 дек.: **Контрольная № 6**
- ср., 6 дек.: **Окончание**

Week 17 (Finals): NO FINAL EXAM for this course!