RUS 3240 Oral practice in Russian 1: Fall
Semester 2019
Credits: 3
Classes: MWF, 5 period in DAU 233
Final Exam: TBA
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Course description
Credits: 3; Prereq: RUS 1131 or the equivalent.

High-intermediate study with exercises in sentence patterns, vocabulary building, and oral and written discourse in Russian.
This course is helping you expand your vocabulary, your active command of Russian grammar, and your ability to speak at the high-intermediate level.
Students, who attend class regularly, participate actively and perform competently on presentations and vocab quizzes can expect to be able to produce and comprehend both spoken and written Russian in a variety of basic communicative situation.

Course requirements
Grades will be determined on the basis of the following components: Grading policy:
> To get an A:
> strong attendance: if you’ve missed more than 1 class, please provide
> an appropriate documentation;
> pass all 3 vocabulary quizzes
> all required home assignments should be completed
> Requirements for the oral exam:
  accuracy in grammar constructions and using the new words
> Requirements for the final vocab: for students with 2 semesters of Russian 50%
For students 4+ semesters of Russian – 70%

Regular class preparation, attendance and participation: 50%
Day-to-day preparation and performance is critical in any language course, especially in the early years of one’s training. Given their highly interactive nature, language classes simply cannot be "made up" if missed. A lost contact hour will set you back in your quest to interact competently with Russian speakers and culture. It is for this reason that daily preparation, attendance, and participation figure so prominently into the grade scheme. Lackluster in-class performance, unexcused absences and late or ignored homework assignments will be noted and calculated into the final grade. Excused absences and late work may be deemed so in advance of the class (or afterwards in extreme circumstances); those who miss class are responsible for obtaining and completing daily homework assignments.
Presentations (4): 25%
1. One of the famous Russian people (Biography)
2. A Russian landmark.
Requirements for the presentations: length (at least 1 page), good sentences’ structure, using a lot of new vocab.
Vocabulary Quizzes(4): 10 %
A vocabulary quiz will accompany each chapter.
Final oral exam – 10%
Final vocab quiz – 5%

Extra credit: 1 -10% (writing a dairy) or completing an additional assignments.

The following scale will be used in calculating your overall grade for the course:
A = 95 - 100%  B- = 75 - 79%  D+ = 60 - 62%
A- = 90 – 94%  C+ = 70 –74%  D = 57 -59%
B+ = 85 - 89%  C = 65 - 69%  D - = 55 - 56%
B = 80 - 84%  C- = 62 - 64%  E = 54% or lower

Students with Disabilities
Students requesting classroom accommodation must first register with the Dean of Students Office. The Dean of Students Office will provide documentation to the student who must then provide this documentation to the Instructor when requesting accommodation.

Important Dates:

Test Dates: (subject to change with advanced warning provided)

August 30, September 10, September 27, October 21, November 13, December 3 – Final vocab, December 4 – Final Oral

Course Materials
Student Activities Manual (SAM)
Russian search engines: www.rambler.ru
www.yandex.ru
On-line dictionaries:
www.rambler.ru/dict/ruen/
Russian newspapers:
www.gazeta.ru
www.ru.euronews.com
Website www.prenhall.com/vputi