

Department of LLC

RUS 3240 Oral practice in Russian 1: Fall
Semester 2020
Credits: 3
Classes: MWF, 7 period 100% on line via Zoom
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:

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.

Class structure:

1.5 minutes of non-stop Russian (breakout rooms)

2.Headline news:

Monday – politic/business/economy

Wednesday – Sport/culture/movies/art

Friday – strange/funny/crime news

3.Checking a home assignment

4.Euronews (watching video) once a week.

5.Presentation – once a week

6.Working on tb “V puti “once a week

Presentations (4): 25%

One of the famous Russian people (Biography)

Requirements for the presentations: Power point. 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 test – 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)

September 9, September 28, October 19, November 9, December 7 – Final vocab, December 9 – Final Oral

Course Materials

Text: Kagan, Miller, Kudyma: V puti. Russian grammar in Context

☑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.lenta.ru

Website www.prenhall.com/vputi

www.euronews.com

