

#### **RUSSIAN AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE**

## An elective course offered by the Center of Russian as a Foreign Language

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The Center of Russian as a foreign language

#### Who is this course for and what topics does it cover?

# The course is for students with DIFFERENT LEVELS OF RUSSIAN (from elementary to advanced)

#### Elementary level:

- Russian pronunciation and intonation,
- basic grammar structures,
- everyday Russian constructions and vocabulary.

#### Intermediate/upper-intermediate level

- review of Russian pronunciation, intonation,
- systematic review of grammar,
- building up vocabulary for different speech situations,
- working on fluency and flexibility in speaking and writing

#### Advanced level

• special topics, such as Russian in Politics, Law, and Society; Russian Communication Style; Communicative Grammar, etc.





#### Course details



#### **COURSE DURATION:**

The course is two modules (one semester) long; it includes 8 contact hours a week, total of 144 contact hours (6 credits) for the entire Spring Semester.

One 6-credit course of Russian is paid by HSE and <u>free of charge for students</u>.

If you already took one Russian course at the HSE previously and would like to <u>continue</u> taking Russian (or want to take two courses simultaneously) – you are welcome to do so! A <u>tuition fee applies to</u> all additional courses.



#### Course details

#### The example of the section

**ELEMENTARY (level 1)** 

Section 1 (teacher: Alexander Orlov, alexande

Tuesday 09:30-14:20

Thursday 09:30-12:30

Section 2 (teacher: Evgenia Koziuk, zher

Wednesday 16:20-19:30

Friday 14:40-19:30

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Classes meet TWICE a week.

Please, choose <u>one section of your level</u>
Make sure that you can come to your classes
both days!

Please, not that it is not allowed to combine classes from different sections hold by different instructors.



#### Placement test

Your level must be determined through a PLACEMENT TEST. Even if you never studied Russian before, please, click the link and send an empty form.

Please submit the placement test online as soon as possible, if you have not completed it yet.

You should be registered as a student of HSE and have your HSE ID to get an access to the online testing system. Please, check you HSE email account for all information about Russian classes!

If you have problems with accessing online test, contact
Student International Mobility Office at international.study@hse.ru



#### ONLINE OR OFFLINE?

All Russian language sections start ONLINE on January, 24th 2022. All sections include 2 classes a week (2 classes two days). Our goal is to switch to offline in-person teaching since February.

It is possible that the group will be able to hold normal in-person lessons in a classroom, but it remains to be seen, the teachers will inform you later upon other students arrival and corona situation.

The Russian offline classes usually take place at Staraya Basmannaya 21/4
The nearest metro station is Kurskaya, please check the location using this link
<a href="https://goo.gl/maps/vsUZEDW4cHuA14pj9">https://goo.gl/maps/vsUZEDW4cHuA14pj9</a>

Please, mind that Moscow campus of HSE has multiple buildings at different locations and pay attention to the address in the schedule



#### How to schedule Russian classes?

All Russian language sections start ONLINE on January 24th 2022

The schedule will be available by January 17th at the website: <a href="https://www.hse.ru/en/rfl/schedule">https://www.hse.ru/en/rfl/schedule</a> (you will get a notification in your HSE mailbox)

Please pay attention to the arrangement of online and offline classes in your schedule.

#### Make sure that

- you will have enough time between your classes to organize suitable conditions for being present online and ready for activities and interaction with your teacher and other classmates
- you will have enough time from transportation between dormitory and campuses



#### The trial period

For those who have studied Russian before...

If you find that your Russian skills do not meet the level of your group, you may change the section during the first week of studies. We call it the trial period.

The trial period is January 24 - 30.

During the trial week students may attend the section of the lower / upper level than recommended in the placement test.

For example: if your level is defined as level 4/5, you may attend the classes of level 4 and 5, if needed, and then decide, which group is the most suitable for your schedule and study goals. Send the confirmation to the teacher you are staying with.



#### Checklist step by step

## You have NEVER studied Russian before

- √ check you HSE email address, find
  the link for the placement test and
  submit an empty form
- √ check the updated schedule after January 17th 
  <a href="https://www.hse.ru/en/rfl/schedule">https://www.hse.ru/en/rfl/schedule</a>
- √ explore the time of the section "elementary"
- √ choose the "elementary" section, which fits your own schedule
- √ send a message to the teacher and get the link for online classes

The teacher's contacts are available in the schedule

### If you HAVE STUDIED Russian before

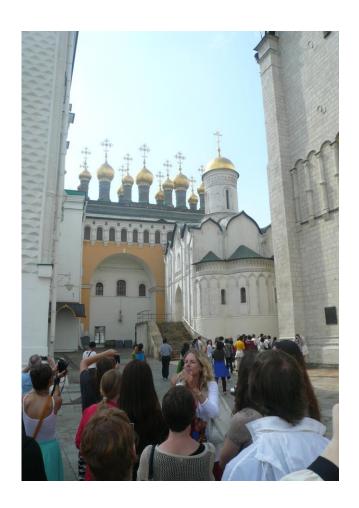
- √ check you HSE email address and find the link for the placement test
- √ submit the placement test ASAP
- √ you will get a message notifying about your level
- √ explore the schedule after January
  17th and choose a section of your
  level
  - https://www.hse.ru/en/rfl/schedule
- √ send a message to the teacher and get the link for online-classes

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√ if needed, try other section during January 24-30 and inform the teacher about your decision by January 30th.



#### The presentation in a nutshell...

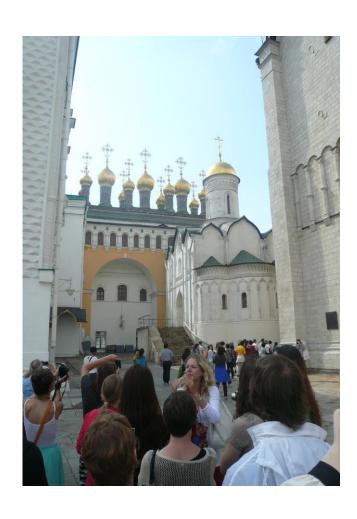


#### How to start

- √ take a placement test, if needed, wait for the result
- √ check the schedule after January 17th
- √ choose the appropriate section and register for a course by sending a message to the teacher
- √ all sections will start online after January 24th
- √ you may try a few sections, but please make the decision during the trial period January 24-30
- √ the registration closes on January 30th



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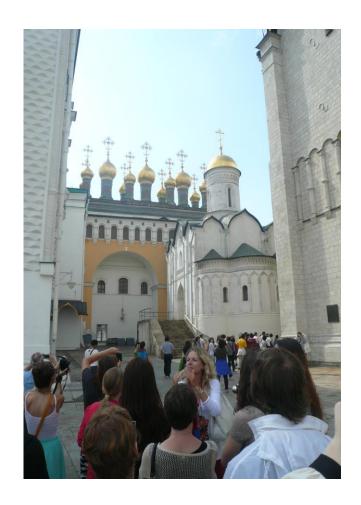


#### The course includes

- √ 4 classes a week
- √ 6 credits for the whole Spring semester
- √ one midterm exam in the end of March
- √ final exam in the middle of June



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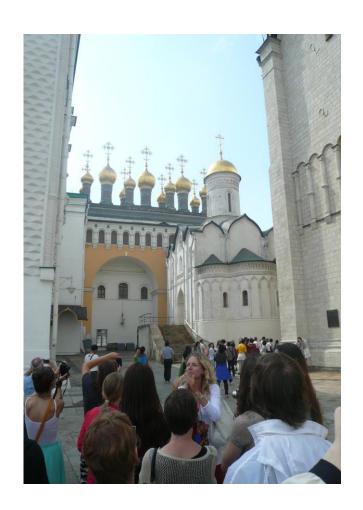
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We open a new course available for everyone

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#### Why this course?



Studying in a foreign country is a unique and extremely valuable experience.

This experience is impossible without getting some knowledge of the language and culture of the country.

Regardless of your program or duration of your stay in Russia, the course in Russian will make it even more efficient!



#### Contacts

Please, address any questions about the Russian courses to the director of the Center of Russian as a Foreign Language at oeremina@hse.ru

