Russian classes in 2022 / 2023

Department of German and Slavic Studies, Faculty of Arts, University of Manitoba
– Course schedule (as of April 10, 2022) subject to change without notice.

*** All courses are expected to be in-person courses.***

**Russian Language Courses**

RUSN 1300: **Introductory Russian** (6) A01: MWF 10:30-11:20 (TBA/Baraban); Labs & Conversation (B02-B03): W 14:30-15:20; R 9:00-9:50

RUSN 1300: **Introductory Russian** (6) D01 Distance Online (TBA)

**Introductory Russian** is a language course for beginners, not for students who know how to read in Russian and have studied Russian previously. The textbooks we use is Golosa. Book 1 and the Student Activities Manual for Book1. If you’re in doubt if this course is best for your level of Russian language skills, please contact Elena.Baraban@umanitoba.ca

RUSN 1330: **Introductory Russian 2** (3) A01: MWF 10:30-11:20 (Winter 2023) (Baraban); Labs & Conversation (B02-B03): W 14:30-15:20; R 9:00-9:50

**Introductory Russian 2** This is the second half of Intro Russian for students who can join the Intro Russian group in January 2023. To register, one will need permission of the Department Head. In order to take Intro Russian 2, students must have knowledge of the alphabet as well as basic skills in reading, writing, and speaking Russian. The material they are expected to know roughly corresponds to the Intro chapter plus chapters 1-3/4 of Golosa Book 1.

RUSN 2810: **Intermediate Russian** (6) A01: MWF 9:30-10:20 (Konstantiuk/Baraban)

**Intermediate Russian** 2nd-year course in Russian. Prerequisites: Introductory Russian (RUSN 1300 or RUSN 1330) or permission of the Department. Students may not hold credit for both RUSN 2810 (052.281) and RUSN 2820 (052.282). In this course, students expand their knowledge of Russian by completing chapters 9-10 from Golosa Book1 and study chapters 1-6/7 from Golosa Book 2.

RUSN 2820: **Intermediate Russian 2** (3) A01: MWF 9:30-10:20 (Baraban)

**Intermediate Russian 2** This is the second half of Intermediate Russian for students who can join the Intro Russian group in January 2023.

RUSN 3110: **Advanced Russian through Film** (3), MWF 11:30-12:20 (Fall 2022) (TBA). Designed for upper intermediate or advanced students, this course helps students to develop reading, writing, listening, and speaking by watching and discussing Russian films. The course also gives students good understanding of Russian society and culture. A short review of Russian Grammar at the beginning of the course is meant to help students prepare them for in-class discussions. Prerequisite: [a grade "C" or better in RUSN 2810 or RUSN 2820] or written consent of department head.
Russian Literature & Culture Courses (taught in English)

RUSN 1410: Love in Russian Culture in English Translation (3), MWF 13:30-14:20 (Fall 2022) (TBA), An introduction to the discourse of love in Russian culture from the Middle Ages to the present. The course explores different meanings of love (spiritual, erotic, romantic, same-sex, familial) in Russian culture by means of examining a variety of portrayals of the interactions of love, sex, religion, and politics in literature and other cultural forms. The course is designed for students who have little or no prior knowledge of Russian culture. Language of instruction: English.

RUSN 3780: Dostoevsky (3), MWF 13:30-14:20 (Winter 2023) (Baraban), An introduction to Fedor Dostoevsky’s literary achievement. The focus is on the writer’s artistic development, and on the philosophical, religious and political issues in his work. Close, thoughtful reading and critical skills are emphasized. The works to be discussed include but are not limited to Notes from Underground; Crime and Punishment; “Dream of a Ridiculous Man”; and The Idiot.

RUSN 3790: Special Studies: Ukraine, Russia and the World (3), TR 14:30-15:20 (Winter 2023) (Kulick), This course examines Russia and Ukraine’s place in the world through the lens of the Cold War and more recent geopolitical tensions. Student will learn about the ideas motivating America’s “empire of liberty” and the Soviet Union’s “empire of justice,” thinking critically about how these very different (and competing) visions of modernity helped shape the world in which we live.

Degree Programs in Russian

General Major (30 credit hours in Russian courses). For details, read UM Academic Calendar or contact Elena.Baraban@umanitoba.ca

General B.A. Double Major (combination with any other Arts major: 30 credit hours)

Minor Concentration (18 credit hours in any Russian courses, no restrictions)

Pre-M.A. – 4th year of the university that prepares a student for entering a graduate program in Russian (Slavic Studies)

M.A. in Slavic Studies – graduate degree. Students may be eligible for scholarships while working on their M.A. degree

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