



COURSE UNIT DESCRIPTION

| Course unit title | Code |
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| Russian language A1 | |

| Lecturer(s) | Department, Faculty |
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| Coordinating: Julija Snezko Other: | Philology Faculty |

| Study cycle | Type of the course unit |
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| BA | Optional course |

| Mode of delivery | Semester or period when it is delivered | Language of instruction |
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| Contact hours and independent work | Autumn/ spring | English |

| Requisites | |
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| Prerequisites: none | Co-requisites (if relevant): |

| Number of ECTS credits allocated | Student's workload (total) | Contact hours | Individual work |
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| 5 | 130 | 64 | 66 |

| Purpose of the course unit: programme competences to be developed | | |
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| The main goals are: to achieve a level of proficiency in Russian that would allow a student to understand elementary information related to everyday experience while listening, to read very simple texts and to understand the general idea of informative texts; to participate in a simple dialogue, to provide basic knowledge of the Russian grammar system. | | |
| Learning outcomes of the course unit | Teaching and learning methods | Assessment methods |
| Students will be able: -to understand simple information related to everyday experience; -to read very simple texts; -to tell basic information about themselves; | Communicative method; dialogues, questions; working in pairs and groups; reading; writing; independent work. | Written exam (final test) in the end of the semester; 1 midterm test; oral presentation; short tests and |

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| Themes | Lectures | Tutorials | Seminars | Workshops | Internship/work placement | Contact hours, total | Individual work | Assignments |
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| 1.Знакомство/ Getting acquainted: introducing yourself/ people, greetings. Моя семья/ My Family: Who's this? Family members, friends. Профессии/ Professions Russian names, surnames, patronymic names. Introductory Phonetics Course: the Alphabet, pronunciation, intonation, writing Russian. Grammar: animate/inanimate nouns. Gender of nouns. Plural form of nouns. Conjugation of verbs (1-st and 2-d type) | | | | 12 | | | 12 | Grammatical, lexical tasks; listening exercises; talking; working in pairs or groups |
| 2. Family tree. Personal belongings. expressing possession: <i>I have – У меня есть...</i> , expressing absence: <i>у меня нет</i> , Possessive pronouns. | | | | 4 | | | 4 | Grammatical, lexical tasks; listening exercises; talking; working in pairs or groups |
| 3. Cities, countries, nationalities. Где вы живете?/ Where do you live? Я люблю... / I like...:expressing likes/dislikes; hobbies. Days of the week. Как дела?/ How are you? Expressing location with в/ на + prepositional singular, adverbs of place, time and state. Past tense of verbs. Accusative c. of nouns. | | | | 8 | | | 10 | Grammatical, lexical tasks; listening exercises; talking; working in pairs or groups |
| Midterm test | | | | 2 | | | | |
| 4. Counting. Telling time. Сколько сейчас времени? Weather and climate. My day. Ability and possibility of doing smth. (могу vs умею) | | | | 10 | | | 10 | Grammatical, lexical tasks; listening exercises; talking; working in pairs or groups |

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| Ordinal numbers. Conjugation of verbs with suffix -ва-. Adjectives. Modal words. International words. | | | | | | | groups |
| 5.Вы говорите по-русски? Do you speak Russian? Languages, nationalities. Writing, speaking about smth. / говорить, писать о чем-нибудь. Locative c. after preposition <i>about/ "o"</i> . | | | 4 | | | 4 | Grammatical, lexical tasks; listening exercises; talking; working in pairs or groups |
| 6. Еда, напитки. Food and drinks. Сколько стоит...? Shopping: how much does it cost? Colours. Clothes. An apartment, furniture. Accusative c. of adj. Indicative pronoun «этот». Conj. of verbs <i>есть, пить, искать</i> . International words. Conj. Of verbs with suffix -ова/-ева-. Prep. c. of adj.; ordinal numbers. Saying on what floor do you live. | | | 10 | | | 10 | Grammatical, lexical tasks; listening exercises; talking; working in pairs or groups |
| 6.Ориентация в городе: где находится...? куда идти? /Getting Around the City: direction, location. Путешествия/ travelling. Verbs of motion without prefixes – <i>идти, ехать;ходить, ездить</i> . Идти куда vs быть где. | | | 10 | | | 10 | Grammatical, lexical tasks; listening exercises; talking; working in pairs or groups |
| 7. Preparation for the exam, repetition of material. Oral presentation. | | | 4 | | | 6 | |
| Total | | | 64 | | 64 | 66 | |

| Assessment strategy | Weight % | Deadline | Assessment criteria |
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| Midterm test | 20% | The end of 2-d month | In order to pass minimum 50% of answers have to be correct |
| Oral presentation | 20% | The end of 4-th month | Content, grammar, vocabulary, ability to understand and answer the questions are evaluated |
| Work during the semester | 10% | | Writing of small tests, doing homework |
| Final exam | 50% | | In order to pass minimum 50% of answers have to be correct |

| Author | Publishing year | Title | Issue of a periodical or volume of a publication; pages | Publishing house or internet site |
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| Required reading | | | | |

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| Юрков Е.Е. et al. | 2011 | Успех. Russian practice course. 0 – A1. | | Санкт – Петербург: Мир. |
| Gulnara Useinova | 2004 | Russian in an easy way. For beginners. | | Санкт-Петербург: Златоуст. |
| Чернышов Станислав | 2019 | Поехали. | | Санкт-Петербург: Златоуст. |
| Recommended reading | | | | |
| Чубарова О.Э. | 2008 | Шкатулочка | | Москва |
| | | https://russky.info/en | | |

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