



CIEE St. Petersburg, Russia

Course name:	Russian Grammar Intermediate I
Course number:	RUSI 2011 RLPU
Programs offering course:	Summer Russian Program
Language of instruction:	Russian
U.S. semester credits:	2
Contact hours:	30
Term:	Summer 2019

Course Description

This course focuses on developing intermediate grammar language skills. In the classroom, with the teacher's help, students will analyze the proposed grammar material and complete exercises, to be submitted together with students' completed homework. Overseeing students' mastery of material is assisted through graded assignments and tests.

Grammar includes studying Participles, Reflexive Verbs, Verbs of Motion, important syntax constructions. The course concludes a lot of grammar oral and written communicative and conventional-communicative exercises, writing essays.

Learning Objectives

The goal of this course is to develop speaking, reading and writing skills; to expand the vocabulary of the students; to form a richer perception of the grammatical system of the Russian language. By the end of this course the learners will be able to pass the 2-nd level Russian test.

Course Prerequisites

This course is intended for beginner to up-intermediate Russian language students. Student placement is contingent upon a written and an oral test administered at the beginning of the program, as well as a mandatory ACTFL oral proficiency interview.

Methods of Instruction

The instructor employs communicative method.

This grammar class includes explanation by the instructor grammar materials, doing grammar exercises New vocabulary is introduced explicitly and implicitly.

Assessment and Final Grade

Students will be assessed according to the following criteria:

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| • Participation | 25% |
| • Homework | 25% |
| • Quizzes | 25% |
| • Midterm Exam, Final Exam | 25% |

TOTAL:	100%
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Course Requirements

Attendance is an important part of the final grade. Three instances of tardiness will be equated to a one-hour absence. Two unexcused absences are allowed throughout the semester. Any additional undocumented absences will result in a notification from CIEE staff and a lower grade. In case of more than two unexcused absences, a supporting document must be presented. It is the student's responsibility to complete and submit all missed assignments and tests.

The final grade is based on the results of tests (as a percentage and a total number of assignments), the final exam, class attendance and participation, as well as the quality of homework.

Class Attendance

Attendance is crucial for successful completion of the class. Students are allowed to have two unexcused absences for each course for the whole program. These allowed unexcused absences should be used for situations such as minor illnesses without a doctor's note or personal situations that prevent the student from attending the class. Allowed unexcused absences should not be used in a planned way for travel or other activities.

Unexcused absences beyond the limit of two will lower a student's grade by 2 points on the 100-point scale each. For example, if your overall score in the class is 90 (an equivalent of A-) and you have had three unexcused absences, your final score will be 88 (B+).

Weekly Schedule

Week	Topic
1	Review endings for adjectives (soft & firm stem). Nominative constructions. Review endings for Dative. Some verbs and expressions that require dative. <i>Verb нравиться – понравиться</i> Active present participles
2 Quiz 1 (cases, verbal aspects)	Let's repeat: verbs with roots: да -, - ста, ва – ю, verbs with --ова/-ева. Review endings for Instrumental case. Using aspects in the future tense Time constructions (dates, time , ЧЕРЕЗ, ПОСЛЕ, ВО ВРЕМЯ, КОГДА, ПОКА) Verbal Aspect. Use of Verbal Aspect in the Past Tense.
3	Review endings for Accusative. Reflexive verbs. Passive constructions with –СЯ. Active past participles. Past Passive participles. Short forms. Correlation of participle phrases and complex sentences with “КОТОРЫЙ”
4 Quiz 2 (Participles)	Verbs of Motion without prefixes, transitive/intransitive. Verbs of Motion with prefixes Dialogues, exercises. Some figurative meaning of Verbs of Motion.



5 Quiz 3 (Verbs of Motion)	Review endings for Locative, Genitive Comparative and superlative degree (adj., adverbs). Short adjectives, how to use short adjectives. Construction <i>тем..., чем</i> in complex sentence, attribute clauses. Conditional mood, sentences (ЕСЛИ, ЕСЛИ БЫ)
6	Imperative (how to form and use) Negative Imperative Practice the use of ЧТОБЫ to express request Dialogues, cooking, invitations.
7 Quiz 4 (imperative)	Formation and use of Verbal Adverb Correlation of participle phrases and complex sentences expressing condition, cause, concession, and temporal significance
8	Review. Preparing for Final Exam. Final Exam Written Grammar test (all grammar topics).

Course materials:

Textbooks:

1. Volkova, N. Phillips, D. *Let's improve our Russian!* St. Petersburg: Zlatoust, 2006.
2. Antonova V, Nahibina M., Safonova M./ Tolstyh A. *Doroga v Rossiju.* (intermediate level). Zlatoust. Spb. 2009.
3. Egorova A. *Trudnyje sluchai russkoj grammatiki.* Zlatoust. Spb.2008.
4. Handouts developed by the instructor.