Module title: Russian II Intensive Module code: RUS5202 Credit value: 30 Level: 5 Pre-requisite modules:

Content Description

This is the second-year core language module for students who started their degree in Russian 'ab initio'. It offers further intensive instruction in the Russian language, and by the end of the module you should be at a level comparable to those who have taken Russian II. This module completes the presentation of basic Russian grammar. Apart from grammar, oral practise of the spoken language, aural comprehension and translation from and into Russian are also addressed.

Module Aims

The main aims of the module are to continue to promote the skills of reading, writing, listening and speaking in Russian and to encourage an enthusiasm for Russian language and culture. The module prepares ab-initio students for a year abroad providing the required information about Russian way of life, culture and traditions.

Learning Outcomes

Academic Content:

A1 On completion of this module, students should speak, understand, read and write Russian with a degree of fluency compatible with an advanced introductory level of study.

A2 Further the understanding and production of spoken and written Russian, ensuring the acquisition of a solid core of Russian vocabulary so as to be ready to enter the next stage of the programme. A3 Prepare students for a successful year of study in Russia introducing Russian culture in order to minimize cultural shock.

Disciplinary Skills – able to:

B1 Understand straightforward, factual information and the main points on familiar matters regularly encountered in work, leisure, university, etc.

B2 Produce simple connected texts on topics which are familiar or of personal interest.

B3 Describe orally and in writing, presenting these as a linear sequence of points, experiences and events, dreams, hopes and ambitions and briefly give reasons and explanations for opinions and plans. B4 Write short, simple essays on relevant topics, expressing thoughts on abstract and cultural topics, showing sound grammatical knowledge.

Attributes:

C1 Engage Critically with Knowledge. C2 Learn Continuously in a Changing World.

C3 Clarity of Communication.

Activity Hours

Activity Type	Time spent (hours)
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Lecture	11
Seminar	11
Guided independent study	128
Total	150

Indicative Reading List

- Colloquial Russian by Svetlana le Fleming and Susan E. Kay (Routledge, 2007)
- Жили-Были 12 уроков русского языка by Л.В. Миллер, Л.В. Политова (Златоуст, 2005)
- Русский язык: 5 элементов by Т.Эсмантова (Златоуст, 2012)
- Russian from Intermediate to Advanced, by Olga E. Kagan, Anna S. Kudyma, Frank J. Miller (Routledge, 2015)
- The course is supplemented by learning materials, weekly handouts and assessed grammar quizzes prepared by the tutors and available via QMPlus.
- The main grammar book is A Comprehensive Russian Grammar, by Terence Wade and David Gillespie (Wiley-Blackwell; 3rd Edition edition, 2010)