

Module Title: Russian II

Module Code: RUS5200

Credit Value: 30

Level: 5

Pre-requisite modules:

Content Description

Tuition in spoken Russian aimed at enhancing communication abilities in the language. Translation from English into Russian and from Russian into English, complemented as appropriate by free composition, comprehension, précis, and exercises.

Module Aims

At Stage 4 students are expected to:

- Understand the main ideas of complex speech and texts, live or broadcast, on both concrete and abstract topics, including technical discussions in his/her field of specialisation;
- Interact with a degree of fluency and spontaneity, and give clear detailed presentations on a range of relevant subjects, expanding and supporting ideas with subsidiary points and relevant examples;
- Produce clear, detailed text on a wide range of subjects; synthesise and evaluate information and arguments from a number of sources and explain a viewpoint on a topical issue giving the advantages and disadvantages of various options;
- Write an essay with a relatively high degree of grammatical control which develops an argument systematically, using a limited number of cohesive devices to produce clear, coherent discourse.

At stage 5 students are expected to:

- Understand and recognise a wide range of idiomatic expressions and colloquialisms and a wide range of demanding, longer texts, and recognise implicit meaning;
- Express him/herself fluently and spontaneously without much obvious searching for expressions, and give detailed presentations on complex subjects, integrating subthemes;
- Use language flexibly and effectively for social and academic purposes;

- Produce clear, well-structured, detailed text showing a high degree of grammatical accuracy, on complex subjects, underlining the relevant issues, showing controlled use of organisational patterns, connectors and cohesive devices.