CIEE St. Petersburg, Russia

Course title: Elementary Russian Grammar II
Course code: RUSI 1006 RASP
Programs offering course: Russian Area Studies
Language of instruction: Russian
U.S. semester credits: 4.00
Contact hours: 65.00
Term: Spring 2021

Course Description

The course introduces students to the Russian sounds, basic structures and grammar of the language, including genders of nouns, plural of nouns, verbs tenses and conjugation, as well as general meaning of cases, verbs of motion, aspects of verb, etc. It further develops students’ skills of listening, reading, speaking and writing obtained in Elementary Russian I while employing real-life everyday situations. Lessons include: reading dialogues, texts and doing exercises. The course continues the themed approach to introducing grammar and vocabulary suggested in Elementary Russian I. While a dialogue serves a dominant form for practicing Russian, students learn how to ask and answer questions, as well as familiarize themselves with the form of narration and description. In addition, the course introduces means of expressing one’s own opinion.

Learning Objectives

By completing this course, students will:

- understand and use basic grammar concepts and structures, including verb tenses and conjugation, nouns in singular and plural, all main cases;
- identify selected verbs of motion, be able to use them appropriately in speech;
- be able to express obligation and necessity by using modal words;
- participate in conversations in limited social situations and discuss familiar topics, such as everyday life, family, work and leisure, sports, education, etc.

Course Prerequisites

Elementary Russian Grammar II

Methods of Instruction

The instruction will employ communicative methods. Permanent error correction and progress check will be exercised. Exercises targeting writing skills will be completed on a regular basis. Pronunciation correction and intonation will constitute part of listening comprehension skills and will be done on an everyday basis.

Assessment and Final Grade

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Course Requirements

Homework

Homework will be assigned after each class. Students are expected to turn in their home assignments on time. Your scores on ALL homework assignments will be included to calculate your homework score.

Quizzes
Every two weeks you will have a 15-minute quiz that will consist of the grammar topics and vocabulary covered during a week, in total 7 quizzes.

**Final Exam**

In addition to quizzes, there will be a 1.5-hour exam, which will include grammar and oral parts.

**Class Participation**

**Attendance**

Attendance is crucial for successful completion of the class. Students are allowed to have two unexcused absences for each course for the whole semester 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+).

*N.B. Course schedule is subject to change due to study tours, excursions, or local holidays. Final schedules will be included in the final syllabus provided to students on site.*

**Weekly Schedule**

**Week 1**

Class: 1.1


Class: 1.2

Gender of nouns. Personal pronouns. The Present Tense of the Verbs 1st.

Class: 1.3

Onjugation (читать, знать, слушать, работать, и т.д.).

**Week 2**

Class: 2.1

The Present Tense of the Verbs 2st Conjugation (говорить, помнить, смотреть, курить).

Class: 2.2

Personal pronouns in Accusative. Plural of nouns.

Class: 2.3

Много/мало, здесь/там. Construction Как вас/тебя/его зовут? Русский или по-русски. Любить+ inf

**Quiz 1**

**Week 3**

Class: 3.1

Plural of nouns. Personal pronouns in Genitive. Irregular plural forms.

Class: 3.2
Preposition У + Gen.

Class: 3.3

Constructions: У кого есть что? Поэтому и потому что, тоже и еще. Possessive pronouns: (чей) мой, твой, наш...

Quiz 2

Week 4
Class: 4.1

Nouns singular in the Prepositional case

Class: 4.2

Verbs in the Past tense.

Class: 4.3

Adverbs. Prepositions В, НА. Играть В +Accusative, НА+ Prepositional. Verb быть in the past (был, была, было, были)

Quiz 3

Week 5
Class: 5.1

Nouns in the Accusative. Numerals. Пора/хватит + Inf/

Class: 5.2

Verb хотеть. Можно+ Accusative.

Class: 5.3

Constructions: зимой, летом, в январе и т. д. Verb когда? Утром, днем, вечером, ночью. Всегда, обычно, редко. Хватит + Infinitive

Quiz 4

Week 6
Class: 6.1

Verbs with suffix ва.

Class: 6.2

Adjectives Superlativee degree of Adjectives.

Class: 6.3

Verbs спать, готовить, давать, вставать. Adverbs сначала, потом. International adjectives: лондонский, etc.

Quiz 5

Week 7
Class: 7.1

Adverbs. Modal words: можно/нельзя/надо+Inf. Nouns and personal pronouns in the Prepositional with preposition О
Question как? Хорошо и хороший. Мочь, уметь. Если. Можно, нельзя, надо.

Constructions российский, русский, по-русски.

Quiz 6

Week 8

Verbs есть, пить, брать, принимать.

Adjective singular in the Accusative). Verbs with suffix -ова. Verbs искать и носить
Constructions: этот, эта, это, эти, это. Какой размер? Разный и другой.

Quiz 7

Week 9

Adjectives in the Prepositional singular. and plural.

Ordinal numbers


International words ending with -ция и -ова.

Construction: Меня интересует +Nominative.

Quiz 8

Week 10

Verbs of motion I and II. Questions куда и где?

Constructions идти/ходить, ехать/ездить. Быть где/ ходить куда?

Лексика и конструкции:

Quiz 9

Week 11

Reflexive verbs. Nouns and personal pronouns singular in Genitive
Constructions: Как называется? Кататься на... Центр (чего?) города. У кого есть что? У кого нет чего? Нет времени и денег.

**Quiz 10**

**Week 12**
Class: 12.1.
Nouns with numbers 2,3,4 in Genitive

Class: 12.2.
Pronoun свой. Verb не было

Class: 12.3.
Prepositions: у, для, после, от, до, из, с.

**Quiz 11**

**Week 13**
Class: 13.1.
Verbs of motion летать/лететь, плыть/плавать, бежать/бегать.
Prepositions из, с

Class: 13.2.
Nouns pl. in the Genitive with numbers 5, 6.

Class: 13.3.
Animate nouns in the Accusative. Comparative degree with Adjectives

**Week 14**
Class: 14.1.
Verbs Aspect in Infinitive. Verbs in the past

Class: 14.2.
Revision exercises.

Class: 14.3.

**Final test**

**Course Materials**

**Readings**