



University  
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# Evening language programme 2025/26

## Course title: Russian Post-Beginners Part I – online

### Course descriptor/objectives

The aim of the course is to help the learner to continue to develop basic speaking, writing, listening and reading skills, extend vocabulary and consolidate grammar for communication purposes. By the end of the course (Part I&II) participants will be able to:

1. Understand sentences and frequently used expressions related to areas of most immediate relevance (e.g. very basic personal and family information, shopping, local geography, employment).
2. Can communicate in simple and routine tasks requiring a simple and direct exchange of information on familiar and routine matters.
3. Can describe in simple terms aspects of their background, immediate environment and matters in areas of immediate need.

The completion level of the course is broadly equivalent to A2.1 level of the **Common European Framework**.

In seminars, participants will have to engage in practical exercises and group interaction in order to develop relevant language-specific learning strategies. The role of the instructor is to facilitate this process, provide useful tools and encourage participants to become independent learners and basic users of the languages too.

### Language-specific information:

Around 250 million people speak Russian across the globe, with 138 million of them based in Russia, where it is the official language. The written form uses Cyrillic script and began to be formed under Peter the Great; it was largely based on Moscow dialect. Russian is part of the East Slavic language family, making it accessible to speakers of Ukrainian and Belarusian.

The most famous cultural import of Russia is perhaps its literature, which includes the work of Dostoevsky, Tolstoy and Chekov.

### Prerequisite:

This non-credit bearing weekly course is intended for Russian language learners, who have studied Russian for one year (23 weeks/46 contact hours) or equivalent.

### Technical requirements:

-PC, laptop or tablet with camera and microphone

-Stable internet connection

Delivery will be via Zoom

<https://zoom.us/download>

Once the course has been confirmed your teacher will invite you to the first session by 12:00 on the day of the course

## **Coursebook and/or Learning**

### **Resources:**

Continuation (from chapter 10) of Anna Kudyma's  
"Beginner's Russian with Interactive Online  
Workbook, A Basic Russian Course, ISBN:

ISBN: 9780781814409

For reference:

**<https://www.scribd.com/read/472374562/Beginner-s-Russian-with-Interactive-Online-Workbook>**

Please do not purchase the book until the course  
has been confirmed.