RUSSIAN LANGUAGE COURSES

Russian language courses for foreign applicants at PetrSU have been held since 1992. Our language classes conducted by experienced teachers will help to take your learning to a new level. Whether you need to put an emphasis on the basics of grammar or conversation, the program will always be adjusted to your needs.

The General Russian language courses will give beginners, as well as advanced students, the necessary skills in Russian for practical use. Intermediate and advanced students will have the opportunity to improve their proficiency in both oral and written language. Students are free to take some special courses on Russian literature, history and culture. It is also possible to extend the program of the course and include more corrective phonetics, grammar, Russian studies, learning Russian literature of a particular period in history as well as Russian history itself, practical stylistics, contemporary Russian art, films and music, modern mass media.

We offer both individual and group tuition. We recommend you to take individual instructions, which are more effective. The teacher will design the whole course according to your wishes and demands. One-to-one tuition guarantees the fastest progress and focuses on personal language skills. Besides, you are free to set the schedule and duration of your study, learning load of 10 to 20 hours/week and time you would like to start.

On the whole, teaching is usually conducted individually or in small groups of 2-5 people. Groups are formed according to the level of proficiency of students. Students are provided with a package of exercises to enlarge their active vocabulary and grammar.

Russian language instruction is conducted 5 days a week, from Monday to Friday. The recommended intensity of lessons is 4 academic hours a day, which comprise total of 20 hours a week.

Duration of courses: 4 weeks, 8 weeks, 12 weeks, 16 weeks (1 semester), 32 weeks (2 semesters).

**RUSSIAN LANGUAGE GENERAL COURSE: BEGINNER & ELEMENTARY LEVEL (A1-A2)**

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| **BEGINNER – A1** | **ELEMENTARY – A2** |
| For people with no previous knowledge of Russian (taught in English, Finnish). | For people with a minimum level of knowledge (taught in English, Finnish). |
| The course is aimed at the maximum practical use of the language. Our teachers put emphasis on pronunciation, basic grammar structures, vocabulary necessary for daily use, understanding of simple texts (oral and written) and conversation on everyday topics. Students learn to understand and use everyday expressions, introduce themselves, ask and answer personal questions, give directions, make travel arrangements and do other practical things. Graduates acquire the ability to use simply structured sentences, phrases and expressions, write postcards and fill in applications. | The course is aimed at expanding vocabulary and grammar skills and operating tenses in order to achieve freedom of communication on general topics. Emphasis is put on pronunciation and more profound grammar, improvement of listening and speaking skills. Graduates of the course understand complex phrases, recognize logical connections and chronology and are able to describe current situation in a number of sentences. They can write personal letters containing information about their life and themselves and are able to reveal mistakes when reading messages. |

The course includes a social adaptation part, which is given within the first two weeks of studies. The main goal is to give basic knowledge of Russian necessary for everyday communication and to overcome the language barrier. The main topics concern everyday life including studying, shopping, dealing with public transport, etc. Students have the chance to overview the typical situations in casual language. Our teachers conduct lessons using either English or Finnish language. After completion of the course a student will be able to keep up conversations on everyday topics, understand radio and TV programs and films and read news.

**RUSSIAN LANGUAGE GENERAL COURSE: INTERMEDIATE & UPPER-INTERMEDIATE LEVEL (B1-B2)**

Both courses are designed for people with a good practical knowledge of Russian.

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| **INTERMEDIATE – B1** | **UPPER-INTERMEDIATE – B2** |
| The main goal of the course is to get more flexible in use of Russian in social and professional affairs. Students will learn to give clear and detailed descriptions of complex issues developing some of their thoughts during their speech. They will manage to maintain long conversations without experiencing any difficulty and find accurate words to express their ideas and opinions. Graduates of the course can fully understand TV shows, movies, documentaries and literary texts of any length and complexity. It is easy for them to comprehend special articles and technical instructions. They are able to give clear statements in written format, pointing out the most important issues and putting them in a well-structured manner. | The course is designed for people willing to acquire full understanding of the language regardless of the pace of speech or complexity of a text. Students of the course learn to formulate logical presentation, provide it in a style-adapted manner describing the main points with clear arguments and help listeners to understand important aspects of their speech. They also learn to be able to take part in any conversation or discussion using idiomatic expressions and complex turns of speech. Graduates make no efforts reading any type of text whether it is a literary work or a professional article with specific lexicon. After completing the course graduates can write official letters, reports or articles which contain clear structure that allows a reader to remember the main points. They find it easy to summarize and criticize professional articles and literary works. |

On the whole both courses’ emphasis is put on speaking skills improvement, enlarging special vocabulary, doing special projects and reading classic and modern Russian literature in original.

**RUSSIAN FOR PHILOLOGISTS**

For students majoring in Russian language and literature.

Emphasis is put on review of theoretical knowledge of Russian grammar and vocabulary, analysis of literary texts, cultural studies, new methods of teaching Russian.

**SPECIAL COURSES FOR TEACHERS, BUSINESS PEOPLE, LAWYERS & SCIENTISTS**

Special courses are designed for professionals seeking knowledge of specific language terms in their fields. At least B1 level of proficiency is required to enroll in Special course. The following choice of subjects is available: grammar, phonetics/intonation, spoken Russian, conversation, literature, writing modern Russian. If you need Special course please indicate it in an application form before sending it to us so that our professors could design them for you.

**TERMS IN 2017/2018**

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| **Duration** | **Possible terms** |
| 4-week program | 1st week of every month (start date in January 2018 is January 10th) |
| 8-week program | 1st week of every 2 months From October 2017 to May 2018 |
| 12-week program | October 2, 2017 – December 22, 2017 January 10, 2018 – March 30, 2018 February 05, 2018 – April 27, 2018 March 05, 2018 – May 25, 2018 |
| 16-week program | January 10, 2018 – April 27, 2018 February 05, 2018 – May 25, 2018 |
| 32-week program | January 10, 2018 – August 17, 2018 February 05, 2018 – September 14, 2018 |

In most cases, terms for group studies depend on the duration of the course. Russian Language courses start every month. The terms are listed below for your convenience.

**HOW TO APPLY**

* fill in the [application form](https://petrsu.ru/files/user/fdbd9903df09bb6f04f397450a13732b/Russian%20language%20courses%20application%20form.docx)
* scan your international passport (only the page with your photo is required)
* send these documents to the coordinator of the Russian language program vie e-mail: inted@petrsu.ru

Deadline is 2 months before the beginning of the program.  
  
**COSTS OF COURSES (RUB)**

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| **Duration of the course** | **Individual** | **Group 2 people** | **Group 3-4 people** | **Group 5-7 people\*** | **Group 8-10 people\*** |
| 1 hour | 650 | 500 | 450 | 400 | 300 |
| 20 hours/week | 13000 | 10000 | 9000 | 8000 | 6000 |
| 4-week programme | 52000 | 40000 | 36000 | 32000 | 24000 |
| 8-week programme | 104000 | 80000 | 72000 | 64000 | 48000 |
| 16-week programme | 208000 | 160000 | 144000 | 128000 | 96000 |
| 32-week programme | 416000 | 320000 | 288000 | 256000 | 192000 |

 \* for organized groups

plus the commission of a bank comprising approximately 0,5 % from the whole payment.  
  
Tuition fee includes the following items:

* 20 hours/week
* student card giving you numerous discounts on entrance at museums and exhibitions, clubs and shops, etc.
* Certificate stating hours and courses taken at PetrSU
* access to the library and all facilities at PetrSU
* Internet access in PetrSU
* troubleshooting and help through our local coordinator

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