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RUSSIAN 101

ELEMENTARY RUSSIAN I

Fall 2003

Time: MTWRF 10:10-11:00

Location: LA 234

Credits: 5

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Course description: This course introduces students to the Russian language through the use of textbooks, video, cassette tapes, and the Internet. Russian 101 fulfills one semester of the Foreign Language Competency and is required for Russian majors. It is a prerequisite to Russian 102 which will be offered in the spring.

Goals and outcomes: In this course the students will learn the fundamentals of the Russian language through the four skills of speaking, listening, writing, and reading. While there will be considerable focus on grammar, the primary aim of the course will be to guide students toward active communication within various contexts of the target language and culture.

Assessment: Active participation is integral to the success of learning a foreign language. The students will be given a participation grade of 0-3 every day: 0 for being absent, 1 for present without contributing (letter grade of C), 2 for adequate participation (letter grade of B), 3 for high quality (not just quantity) of participation (letter grade of A). Other factors figured into the daily participation grade are: 1.) arriving to class late and 2.) being unprepared to contribute when called upon. No make-ups are allowed for absences or missed tests. Each student may, however, drop his/her lowest test grade and may be absent three times without his/her grade being affected. Daily homework grades are also based on this 0-3 scale. Late homework will be accepted but will be marked down. Quizzes will periodically be given to allow the students to assess their progress; these will not be considered into their final course grades. The final exam may not be taken early or made-up after its scheduled time.

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| Class participation | 16% of final grade |
| Written homework | 12% of final grade |
| 7 tests @ 8 % each | 56% of final grade |
| Final exam | 16% of final grade |

All grades are
according to the

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|--------|----|------------|----|
| 93-100 | A | 78-79 | C+ |
| 90-92 | A- | 73-77 | C |
| 88-89 | B+ | 70-72 | C- |
| 83-87 | B | 68-69 | D+ |
| 80-82 | B- | 65-67 | D |
| | | 64 & below | F |

calculated
following scale:

Required text: *Stage One: Live from Moscow*. Comes with student workbook, student tapes, and video. May be purchased at the University Bookstore, ext. 1234.

HOMEWORK SCHEDULE:

The homework is due on the date it is listed below. Note that Days 7 will never be given as homework but will be done during class time instead. (*This schedule is subject to change.)

INTRODUCTORY UNIT

T 9/2

W 9/3 Day 1

R 9/4 Day 2

F 9/5 Day 3

M 9/8 Day 4

T 9/9 Day 5

W 9/10 TEST

UNIT 1

R 9/11 Day 1

F 9/12 Day 2

M 9/15 Day 3

T 9/16 Day 4

W 9/17 Day 5

R 9/18 Day 6

F 9/19 Day 8

M 9/22 UNIT 1 TEST

UNIT 2

T 9/23 Warm-up

W 9/24 Day 1

R 9/25 Day 2

F 9/26 Day 3

M 9/29 Day 4

T 9/30 Day 5

W 10/1 Day 6

R 10/2 Day 8

F 10/3 UNIT 2 TEST

UNIT 3

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|---------|---------|
| M 10/6 | Warm-up |
| T 10/7 | Day 1 |
| W 10/8 | Day 2 |
| R 10/9 | Day 3 |
| F 10/10 | Day 4 |

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| M 10/13 | Day 5 |
| T 10/14 | Day 6 |
| W 10/15 | Day 8 |
| R 10/16 | UNIT 3 TEST |

UNIT 4

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|---------|---------|
| F 10/17 | Warm-up |
|---------|---------|

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|---------|-------|
| M 10/20 | Day 1 |
| T 10/21 | Day 2 |
| W 10/22 | Day 3 |
| R 10/23 | Day 4 |
| F 10/24 | Day 5 |

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| M 10/27 | Day 6 |
| T 10/28 | Day 8 |
| W 10/29 | UNIT 4 TEST |

UNIT 5

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|---------|---------|
| R 10/30 | Warm-up |
| F 10/31 | Day 1 |

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|--------|-------|
| M 11/3 | Day 2 |
| T 11/4 | Day 3 |
| W 11/5 | Day 4 |
| R 11/6 | Day 5 |
| F 11/7 | Day 6 |

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| M 11/10 | Day 8 |
| T 11/11 | Veterans Day (No classes) |
| W 11/12 | UNIT 5 TEST |

UNIT 6

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|---------|---------|
| R 11/13 | Warm-up |
| F 11/14 | Day 1 |

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|---------|-------|
| M 11/17 | Day 2 |
| T 11/18 | Day 3 |
| W 11/19 | Day 4 |

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| R 11/20 | Day 5 |
| F 11/21 | Day 6 |
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| M 11/24 | Day 8 |
| T 11/25 | UNIT 6 TEST |
| W 11/26 | Travel Day (No classes) |

** Thanksgiving Break*

UNIT 7

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|---------|-----------------------|
| M 12/1 | Warm-up |
| T 12/2 | Day 1 |
| W 12/3 | Day 2 |
| R 12/4 | Day 3 |
| F 12/5 | Day 4 |
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| M 12/8 | Day 5 |
| T 12/9 | Day 6 |
| W 12/10 | Day 8 |
| R 12/11 | UNIT 7 TEST |
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| F 12/12 | Final In-Class Review |

FINAL EXAM: Thursday, Dec. 18 from 8:00-10:00