SUNY-wide Distance-Learning Opportunity!

Intermediate Russian for Students of Russian-Speaking Background*  
(“Heritage Russian”)
*available to all SUNY students via cross-registration

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Meeting Times:  SPRING 2015 semester: Tuesday and Thursday 5:30 – 6:50 pm

Course Description: A course intended for “Heritage speakers” of Russian - students who already speak Russian and who need training in writing, reading, and grammar. This course is for students who speak some basic Russian at home but who have not received any formal education in Russian and who may not know how to write, and for those who have very basic reading skills but no formal knowledge of Russian grammar.

→ PREREQUISITE: Native-speaking proficiency in Russian ←

Please note:
• If you have attended a Russian school for more than five years, or if you lived in Russia until the age of 13 or more, you might need to take an advanced Russian language course (such as RUS 311 at Stony Brook) Please consult with the instructor if you have questions

Important Note to students from other SUNY Campuses:
• You will participate in this course synchronously through video conference
• You will earn 3 credits for the course directly, through the SUNY cross-registration system (for inquires or assistance, please contact Alecia Barbour at russia.programs@suny.edu)
• You can participate from any location from a computer with a reliable internet connection, video ability and a microphone
• Your participation is required at the regularly scheduled class meeting times: Tues / Thurs 5:30-6:50pm
• You will have to photograph or scan your handwritten HW and submit it via email, or upload it to Blackboard by the class time as indicated in the syllabus
• There will be two movie viewings during the semester which you can do on your own time (you don't have to participate in those class times indicated as "Movies"). They will be available for you to download.
• There will be a special arrangement for quizzes and exams so that you can take them via Blackboard.

Course Learning Outcomes

The targeted proficiency level for this course is Intermediate Low to Mid for writing and Intermediate High for speaking and reading (as described in the ACTFL Proficiency Guidelines:  http://www.actfl.org/publications/guidelines-and-manuals/actfl-proficiency-guidelines-2012).

At the end of this course, students should be able to do the following:
• Write in Russian with Intermediate Low to Mid fluency and accuracy using Intermediate grammar structures, vocabulary, and syntax;
• Read and comprehend Intermediate to Advanced texts, including fiction short stories and news summaries;
• Discuss everyday events, news articles, movies and literature with Intermediate High fluency.

Want more information? Please contact Alecia Barbour at the SUNY Russia Programs Network
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