RUSSIAN (RUSS)

100 Level Courses

RUSS 101: Elementary Russian I. 3 credits.
For students with no knowledge of Russian. Introduces elements of grammar, vocabulary, oral skills, listening comprehension, and reading. Lab work required. Notes: Students may not receive credit for RUSS 101 and RUSS 110. Offered by Modern & Classical Languages (http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/modern-classical-languages/). Limited to three attempts. Equivalent to RUSS 110.

Schedule Type: Lecture
Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

Additional Course Details: Taught in Russian

RUSS 102: Elementary Russian II. 3 credits.
Continuation of RUSS 101. Notes: Students may not receive credit for RUSS 102 and RUSS 110. Offered by Modern & Classical Languages (http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/modern-classical-languages/). Limited to three attempts. Equivalent to RUSS 110.

Recommended Prerequisite: RUSS 101 or permission of department.

Schedule Type: Lecture
Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

Additional Course Details: Taught in Russian

RUSS 110: Elementary Russian. 6 credits.
Introduces elements of grammar, vocabulary, oral skills, listening comprehension, and reading. Notes: Students may not receive credit for RUSS 110 and RUSS 101, 102. Offered by Modern & Classical Languages (http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/modern-classical-languages/). Limited to three attempts. Equivalent to RUSS 101, RUSS 102.

Schedule Type: Lecture
Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

Additional Course Details: Taught in Russian

200 Level Courses

RUSS 201: Intermediate Russian I. 3 credits.
Further development of skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Notes: RUSS 201 and 202 must be taken in sequence. Offered by Modern & Classical Languages (http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/modern-classical-languages/). Limited to three attempts.

Recommended Prerequisite: RUSS 102, RUSS 110, appropriate placement score, or permission of instructor.

RUSS 202: Intermediate Russian II. 3 credits.
Application of language skills to reading, composition, and discussion. Offered by Modern & Classical Languages (http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/modern-classical-languages/). Limited to three attempts.

Recommended Prerequisite: RUSS 201, appropriate placement score, or permission of instructor.

Schedule Type: Lecture
Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

Additional Course Details: Taught in Russian

RUSS 203: Russian Advanced Conversation. 3 credits.

Recommended Prerequisite: RUSS 202, appropriate placement score, or permission of instructor.

Schedule Type: Lecture
Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

Additional Course Details: Taught in Russian

300 Level Courses

RUSS 302: Russian Conversation and Composition. 3 credits.
Develops in students ability to express themselves orally on topics of current interest and everyday situations. Provides practice in more difficult forms of written expression. Offered by Modern & Classical Languages (http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/modern-classical-languages/). Limited to three attempts.

Specialized Designation: Writing Intensive in Major

Recommended Prerequisite: RUSS 202, appropriate placement score, or permission of instructor.

Schedule Type: Lecture
Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

Additional Course Details: Taught in Russian

RUSS 303: Russian Advanced Conversation. 3 credits.

Recommended Prerequisite: RUSS 202, appropriate placement score, or permission of instructor.

Schedule Type: Lecture
Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

Additional Course Details: Taught in Russian
RUSS 310: Readings in Russian Literature. 3 credits.  
Readings of Russian literary works in original language with lectures, discussions, and exam in Russian. Offered by Modern & Classical Languages (http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/modern-classical-languages/). Limited to three attempts.

Recommended Prerequisite: RUSS 202, appropriate placement score, or permission of instructor.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading: 
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

Additional Course Details: Taught in Russian

RUSS 311: Contemporary Russian Short Fiction. 3 credits.

Recommended Prerequisite: RUSS 202, appropriate placement score, or permission of instructor.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading: 
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

Additional Course Details: Taught in Russian

RUSS 325: Major Russian Writers. 3 credits.
Study of works of major Russian writers in translation. Writers to be studied vary. Notes: May be repeated once for credit when course content is different. Offered by Modern & Classical Languages (http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/modern-classical-languages/). May be repeated within the term for a maximum 9 credits.

Mason Core: Literature (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)

Specialized Designation: Writing Intensive in Major

Recommended Prerequisite: ENGL 101/ENGH 101 or equivalent or permission of instructor.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading: 
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

RUSS 326: A Survey of Russian Literature. 3 credits.  
Surveys Russian literature from its beginning to 1880. Offered by Modern & Classical Languages (http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/modern-classical-languages/). Limited to three attempts.

Mason Core: Literature (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)

Recommended Prerequisite: Completion of 60 hours or permission of instructor.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading: 
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

RUSS 327: A Survey of Russian Literature. 3 credits.  
Surveys Russian literature of late 19th and 20th centuries. Offered by Modern & Classical Languages (http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/modern-classical-languages/). Limited to three attempts.

Mason Core: Literature (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading: 
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

RUSS 353: Russian Civilization. 3 credits.
Civilization and culture of Russia and former Soviet Union. Includes films, slides, and music in addition to readings and lectures. Offered by Modern & Classical Languages (http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/modern-classical-languages/). Limited to three attempts.

Mason Core: Synthesis (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)

Specialized Designation: Non-Western Culture

Recommended Prerequisite: 60 credits and completion or concurrent enrollment in all other required Mason Core courses.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading: 
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

RUSS 354: Contemporary Post-Soviet Life. 3 credits.  

Mason Core: Global Understanding (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)

Specialized Designation: Non-Western Culture

Recommended Prerequisite: 54 hours or Permission of Instructor.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading: 
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

RUSS 380: Advanced Russian I. 3 credits.
Comprehensive study of the more difficult characteristics of contemporary standard Russian in areas of grammar, style, and vocabulary usage. Emphasizes developing fluency in oral and written expression. Offered by Modern & Classical Languages (http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/modern-classical-languages/). Limited to three attempts.

Mason Core: Literature (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)

Recommended Prerequisite: Completion of 60 hours or permission of instructor.
**Recommended Prerequisite:** RUSS 202 or equivalent, appropriate placement score, or permission of instructor

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

**Additional Course Details:** Taught in Russian

**RUSS 381:** Advanced Russian II. 3 credits.
Comprehensive study of the more difficult characteristics of contemporary standard Russian in areas of grammar, style, and vocabulary usage. Emphasizes developing fluency in oral and written expression. Offered by Modern & Classical Languages (http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/modern-classical-languages/). Limited to three attempts.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** RUSS 202 or equivalent, appropriate placement score, or permission of instructor

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

**Additional Course Details:** Taught in Russian

### 400 Level Courses

**RUSS 401:** Readings in the Social Sciences. 3 credits.
Reading, translation, and discussion of Russian materials in fields of history, politics, geography, and sociology. Offered by Modern & Classical Languages (http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/modern-classical-languages/). Limited to three attempts.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

**Additional Course Details:** Taught in Russian

**RUSS 407:** Russian Drama and Theater. 3 credits.
Development of Russian theater including directing techniques in Moscow Art Theater. Reading and discussion of major Russian plays of 19th and 20th centuries. Notes: Course work in English; knowledge of Russian not required. Offered by Modern & Classical Languages (http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/modern-classical-languages/). Limited to three attempts.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** RUSS 202 or equivalent, appropriate placement score, or permission of instructor

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

**Additional Course Details:** Taught in Russian

**RUSS 410:** Russian Poetry. 3 credits.
Historical development of Russian poetry and representative works of major poets. Notes: Reading in Russian; course work in English and Russian. Offered by Modern & Classical Languages (http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/modern-classical-languages/). Limited to three attempts.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** RUSS 202 or equivalent, appropriate placement score, or permission of instructor

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

**Additional Course Details:** Taught in Russian

**RUSS 470:** Topics in (Post) Soviet Film. 3 credits.
Russian, Soviet, and post-Soviet films selected by type, period, or director with emphasis varying from year to year. Required viewings, student discussion, and written critiques. Notes: May be repeated once with permission of department or film studies adviser. Offered by Modern & Classical Languages (http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/modern-classical-languages/). May be repeated within the degree for a maximum 9 credits.

**Specialized Designation:** Topic Varies

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

**RUSS 480:** Fourth-Year Russian. 3 credits.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** RUSS 380 and 381 or permission of instructor

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

**Additional Course Details:** Taught in Russian

**RUSS 481:** Fourth-Year Russian. 3 credits.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** RUSS 380, 381, or equivalent

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

**Additional Course Details:** Taught in Russian

**RUSS 490:** Independent Study. 1-3 credits.
Research and analysis of selected problem in language, literature, or culture in consultation with member of Russian studies faculty. Offered by Modern & Classical Languages (http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/modern-classical-languages/).
Limited to three attempts.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** Russian studies major with 84 hours and Permission of Instructor.

**Schedule Type:** Independent Study

**Grading:**
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

**Additional Course Details:** Taught in Russian

**RUSS 491:** Independent Study. 1-3 credits.
Research and analysis of selected problem in language, literature, or culture in consultation with member of Russian studies faculty. Offered by Modern & Classical Languages (http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/modern-classical-languages/). Limited to three attempts.

**Schedule Type:** Independent Study

**Grading:**
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/)

**Additional Course Details:** Taught in Russian