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. Limited to
three attempts. Equivalent to RUSS 110.

Schedule Type: Lecture
Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

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.
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.

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.
Limited to three attempts. Equivalent to RUSS 101, RUSS 102.

Schedule Type: Lecture
Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

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. Limited to three attempts.

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

Schedule Type: Lecture
Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

Additional Course Details: Taught in Russian

RUSS 202: Intermediate Russian II. 3 credits.
Application of language skills to reading, composition, and discussion.
Offered by 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.

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. 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.

Additional Course Details: Taught in Russian

RUSS 303: Russian Advanced Conversation. 3 credits.
Development of oral proficiency. Includes current colloquial expressions.
Offered by 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.

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. 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.

Additional Course Details: Taught in Russian

RUSS 311: Contemporary Russian Short Fiction. 3 credits.
Reading and discussion of recent short stories by best-known Russian
writers of today. Notes: Readings in original language. Offered by 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.

**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. May be repeated within the term for a maximum 9 credits.

**Mason Core:** Literature

**Specialized Designation:** Writing Intensive in the 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.

**Additional Course Details:** Taught in English

**RUSS 326: A Survey of Russian Literature.** 3 credits.
Surveys Russian literature from its beginning to 1880. Offered by Modern & Classical Languages. Limited to three attempts.

**Mason Core:** Literature

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

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

**Additional Course Details:** Taught in English

**RUSS 327: A Survey of Russian Literature.** 3 credits.
Surveys Russian literature of late 19th and 20th centuries. Offered by Modern & Classical Languages. Limited to three attempts.

**Mason Core:** Literature

**Recommended Prerequisite:** 54 hours or Permission of Instructor.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

**Additional Course Details:** Taught in English

**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. Limited to three attempts.

**Mason Core:** Synthesis

**Specialized Designation:** Non-Western Culture

**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.

**Additional Course Details:** Taught in Russian

**RUSS 354: Contemporary Post-Soviet Life.** 3 credits.
Social life, art, economics, education, view of life, and personal aspirations of Russian citizen today. Offered by Modern & Classical Languages. Limited to three attempts.

**Mason Core:** Global Understanding

**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.

**Additional Course Details:** Taught in Russian

**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. Limited to three attempts.

**Mason Core:** Literature

**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.

**Additional Course Details:** Taught in English

**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. Limited to three attempts.

**Mason Core:** Writing Intensive in the Major

**Specialized Designation:** Non-Western Culture
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. Limited to three attempts.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading: 
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

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. Limited to three attempts.

Recommended Prerequisite: 60 hours or permission of instructor.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading: 
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

Additional Course Details: Taught in English

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. Limited to three attempts.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading: 
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

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. May be repeated within the degree for a maximum 9 credits.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading: 
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

Additional Course Details: Taught in English, Title varies by section and/or semester

RUSS 480: Fourth-Year Russian. 3 credits. 
Advanced work in major grammatical and lexical topics of Russian. Application of theoretical principles in guided written and oral exercises. Offered by Modern & Classical Languages. Limited to three attempts.

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