## 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

**Recommended Prerequisite:** RUSS 101 or permission of department.

**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.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

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

**Additional Course Details:** Taught in Russian

**Recommended Prerequisite:** RUSS 101 or permission of department.

### 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.

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

**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
**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:** 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 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:** 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 English

**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:** 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 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.

**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 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.

**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
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 of 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.