Regular Courses

Our regular curriculum covers beginner (Regular 1) to intermediate (Regular 9) levels of Russian. Our Fall 2017 term runs from 25 September to 8 December 2017.

COURSE	SCHEDULE OPTIONS		INSPIRA CODE
REGULAR 1	Tue/Thu	8:30 –10:00 am	LMS-2631
REGULAR 1	Tue/Thu	12:001:30 pm	LMS-2631
REGULAR 1	Mon/Wed	5:30 –700 pm	LMS-2631
REGULAR 2	Mon/Wed	8:30 –10:00 am	LMS-2632
REGULAR 2	Mon/Wed	1:30 – 3:00 pm	LMS-2632
REGULAR 3	Tue/Thu	12:001:30 pm	LMS-2633
REGULAR 4	Mon/Wed	1:30 – 3:00 pm	LMS-2634
REGULAR 5	Tue/Thu	1:30 – 3:00 pm	LMS-2635
REGULAR 6	Mon/Wed	12:00 –1:30 pm	LMS-2636
REGULAR 8	Mon/Wed	12:00 –1:30 pm	LMS-2638

Online Courses

Online courses are offered via WebEx and are available to UN Secretariat staff at all duty stations. Our online courses begin the week of 11 September, unless otherwise noted.

COURSE	DESCRIPTION	SCHEDULE	DURATION	INSPIRA CODE
Russian Verbs of Motion I	Develop mastery of the system of the Russian motion verbs. Level: CEFR A2/B1	Mon 8:30-10:00 am	12 weeks	LMS-2750
Russian Vocabulary Builder I	Develop your active vocabulary on a variety of everyday topics. Can be taken together with, or inde- pendently from, Vocab Builder II. Level: CEFR A2/B1	Thu 8:30-10:00 am	6 weeks	LMS-2752
Russian Vocabulary Builder II	Develop your active vocabulary on a variety of everyday topics. Can be taken together with, or inde- pendently from, Vocab Builder I. Level: CEFR A2/B1 Course begins on Thu 26 Oct, 2017	Thu 8:30-10:00 am	6 weeks	LMS-2753

Specialized Courses

Our specialized courses enhance skills in listening, reading, writing, speaking, and cultural awareness.

COURSE	DESCRIPTION	DURATION	SCHEDULE	INSPIRA CODE
Russian Cursive Practicum	Practice writing and reading Russian cursive—essential skills to communicating in Russian & engaging with the culture.	6 weeks	Thu 4:00-5:30 pm	LMS-2691
Russian Conversation I	Develop everyday speaking skills & expand vocabulary. Pre-requisite: Level 3	12 weeks	Mon 1:30-3:00 pm	LMS-2689
Russian Conversation II	Develop everyday speaking skills & expand vocabulary. Pre-requisite: Level 9	12 weeks	Wed 1:30-3:00 pm	LMS-2690
Media-Assisted Russian	Familiarize yourself with Russian mass media & enrich vocabulary related to current events. Pre-requisite: Level 9	12 weeks	Fri 12:00-1:30pm	LMS-2688
Advanced Reading in Russian	Improve your reading skills by discussing authentic Russian texts, both classic & contemporary. Pre-requisite: Level 9	12 weeks	Fri 1:30-3:00pm	LMS-2685

Placement Test

Not sure of your level? Register in INSPIRA to take the Russian Placement Test (LMS-2640) or e-mail Anna Dvigubski, the Russian language coordinator, at dvigubski@un.org.

Why Study Russian?

Russian is 1) the official language of the Russian Federation—the largest country in the world;
2) the fifth most spoken language on the planet; 3) used in an official capacity at the United Nations, UNESCO, OSCE, WHO, FAO, and the International Criminal Court; 4) one of the two official languages aboard the International Space Station; 5) the language of one of the richest artistic & cultural traditions in the world.



Where are classrooms located?

Our new **United Nations Learning Centre** is located at level 3B of the General Assembly Building.

When do courses start?

Face-to-face courses begin the week of 25 Sept. Online courses begin the week of 11 Sept, unless otherwise noted.

Boris Kustodiev, "Bolshevik" (1920)