

RUS 4001 (#205391): Advanced Russian II
Course Syllabus, Spring 2019

Time: MWF 7 (1:55 - 2:45)
Place: (MF:) MAT 0103; (W:) MAT 0012
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Goals and scope of the course:

“Advanced Russian II” is the second of a two-course sequence of post-intermediate language study. Its prerequisite is four semesters of Russian language study (two semesters of Intro Russian + two sem. of intermediate + RUS 4000) — *or* the instructor’s permission.

“Advanced Russian II” will strengthen your fundamental language acquisition skills — speaking, listening, reading and writing — while also enhancing your command of essential vocabulary and grammatical structures. By the end of the course you should be able both to communicate and to comprehend more thoroughly and effectively in Russian. Contextualized exercises and readings throughout the course will also expand your knowledge of contemporary Russian life and culture.

Content:

Our interactive course materials will be drawn from our required course textbook (see details below) and its corresponding online supplements. Closely following the structure of our textbook, our daily classroom activities will typically include (1) oral warm-up and practice; (2) collective reading and performance of textbook activities; (3) analysis, explication and discussion of relevant lexical and grammatical materials; (4) review of recent and/or upcoming assignments. Daily assignments will require your preparation of exercises in the course textbook. Once every 1-2 weeks you will also be asked to prepare a written homework assignment («**письменное задание**») and to submit it to me for evaluation. Finally, five tri-weekly tests in class will require you to demonstrate your assimilation of course material in writing. *There will NOT be a comprehensive final exam for this course.*

Required course textbook (to be brought to class daily):

Kagan (etc). *Russian: From Intermediate to Advanced*. N.Y.: Routledge, 2015. [ISBN # 978-0-415-71227-9]
Required online textbook supplements available at: “<http://www.russian.ucla.edu/AdvancedRussian/Welcome.html>”

Course requirements and expectations:

1. Regular attendance and assimilation of material covered in class (see also “**Attendance policy**,” below);
2. Consistent engagement in all classroom activities for the entire fifty minutes of each day’s lesson; this includes NOT operating electronic devices during class. *Please NOTE* that laptops or other electronic reading devices (tablets, e-book readers, smart phones, etc.) may be used in class *ONLY* for the purpose of viewing course material. Please do *NOT* surf the internet or read / write electronic messages during our class lessons. Failure to respect this rule will result in a lower “Course Participation” grade.
3. Thorough and punctual completion of all daily/weekly assignments;
4. Completion of five written, in-class tests [**контрольные**] of fifty minutes duration. Each **контрольная** will test your knowledge and assimilation of the course material(s) assigned up to that point.

Attendance policy: Requirements for class attendance and make-up exams, assignments, and other work in this course are consistent with UF policies (see catalog: <https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx>). Although there is no penalty for officially excusable absences (as defined by university policy), please *NOTE* that *the number of class meetings attended* counts for 10% of the course grade. Thus if a class is missed, even for officially acceptable reasons, then an attendance point will not be gained for that day. The attendance score will equal the percentage of meetings actually attended, so *be sure to sign the attendance list daily.*

Final course grades will be assigned according to the following scale: **A** = a final course percentage of 93-100; **A-** = 90-92; **B+** = 87-89; **B** = 83-86; **B-** = 80-82; **C+** = 77-79; **C** = 73-76; **C-** = 70-72; **D+** = 67-69; **D** = 63-66; **D-** = 60-62; **E** = less than 60. U.F.’s “grade point” scale can be accessed at: <https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/grades.aspx>

Final course grades will be based on the following percentages:

1. Attendance (number of class meetings attended) [see “Attendance policy,” above]. **10%**
2. Course participation (daily involvement in class activities, punctual & thorough completion of all assignments & exams). **10%**
3. Ten writing assignments (“**письменные задания**”), to be submitted on the dates indicated in the Weekly Sched, below. **10%**
4. Five in-class unit tests (**контрольные**).. **70%** (14% each)

IN-CLASS TEST DATES:

Контрольная № 1 (50 min., in-class). **Fri., Jan. 25**
Контрольная № 2 (50 min., in-class). **Wed., Feb. 20**
Контрольная № 3 (50 min., in-class). **Fri., Mar. 15**
Контрольная № 4 (50 min., in-class). **Wed. Apr. 3**
Контрольная № 5 (50 min., in-class). **Mon., Apr. 22**

Make-up policy: Except in the case of a certified illness or other officially approved reason (e.g. U.F.-assigned travel), there will be no make-up option for missed tests (**контрольные**). Please do NOT request an individual assignment for extra credit in place of a missed test (or missed assignment, or missed classes)! If/when unavoidable, a make-up test should be arranged in person with me *prior* to an anticipated absence. In case of certified illness, you should contact me immediately following your return to classes.

All are required to adhere to U.F.'s **Student Honor and Conduct Codes**: <https://sccr.dso.ufl.edu/process/student-conduct-code/>.

Classroom accommodation: Students requesting classroom or exam accommodation must first register with the Dean of Students Office. That office will provide documentation to the student who must then provide it to me when requesting accommodation. **Students with physical, learning, sensory or psychological disabilities** will be accommodated in accordance with UF policies.

Course evaluation policy: Students are expected to provide online feedback on the quality of instruction in this course at <https://evaluations.ufl.edu/evals/Default.aspx>. Evaluations are typically open during the last two or three weeks of the semester, but students will be given specific times when they are open. Results of the assessments are available at: <https://evaluations.ufl.edu/results>.

Weekly Schedule of Topics, Activities, Assignments & Tests

[daily assignments will be announced in class and also posted on our online “E-learning” course space (lss.at.ufl.edu).

- Week 01** (Jan. 7, 9, 11): ГЛАВА 5 (продолжение)
- Общая тема главы: “Город, пригород и деревня”
 - Лексика и практика на тему “город”
 - Грамматика: **прилагательные**
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- Week 02** (Jan. 14, 16, 18): ГЛАВА 5 (продолжение)
- Лексика и практика на темы “урбанизация” и “деревня”
 - Грамматика: **дат. падеж; глаголы движения с приставками**
 - Письменное задание на среду, 16 янв.: ЗАДАНИЕ № 1
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- Week 03** (Jan. 23, 25): ГЛАВА 5 (продолжение)
- Лексика и практика на тему “проблемы города”
 - Грамматика: **выражение цели («чтобы»)**
 - На среду, 23 янв.: ЗАДАНИЕ № 2
 - в пятницу, 25 янв.: КОНТРОЛЬНАЯ № 1
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- Week 04** (Jan. 28, 30, Feb. 1): ГЛАВА 6 (начало)
- Общая тема главы: “Молодёжь”
 - Лексика и практика на темы “преступность”
 - Грамматика: **глагол «сказать» с приставками глаголы движения**
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- Week 05** (Feb. 4, 6, 8): ГЛАВА 6 (окончание)
- Лексика и практика на тему “проблемы молодёжи”
 - На среду, 6 февр.: ЗАДАНИЕ № 3
 - Грамматика: **Возвратные глаголы.**
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- Week 06** (Feb. 11, 13, 15): ГЛАВА 7
- Общая тема главы: “Здоровье и вредные привычки”
 - Грамматика: **Образование наречий; глагол «писать» с приставками**
 - На среду, 13 февр.: ЗАДАНИЕ № 4
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- Week 07** (Feb. 18, 20, 22): ГЛАВА 7 (окончание)
- Лексика и практика на тему “здоровье”
 - Грамматика: **Предложный падеж**
 - В среду, 20 февр.: КОНТРОЛЬНАЯ № 2
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- Week 08** (Feb. 25, 27, Mar. 1): ГЛАВЫ 7–8
- Лексика и практика на тему “вредные привычки”

- Грамматика: **Причастия; Способы выражения обобщения**
 - на среду, 27 февр.: ЗАДАНИЕ № 5
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- Week 09** (Mar. 11, 13, 15): ГЛАВА 8 (продолжение)
- Общая тема главы: “Политика и общество”
 - На среду, 13 марта: ЗАДАНИЕ № 6
 - В пятницу, 15 марта.: КОНТРОЛЬНАЯ № 3
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- Week 10** (Mar. 18, 20, 22): ГЛАВА 8 (продолжение)
- Лексика и практика на тему “политика”
 - Грамматика: **Глагол «говорить» с приставками; творительный падеж**
 - На среду, 20 марта: ЗАДАНИЕ № 7
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- Week 11** (Mar. 25, 27, 29): ГЛАВА 8 (окончание)
- Лексика и практика на тему “интернет и политика”
 - Грамматика: **Страдательные конструкции; порядок слов**
 - На среду, 27 марта: ЗАДАНИЕ № 8
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- Week 12** (Apr. 1, 3, 5): ГЛАВЫ 8–9
- Лексика и практика на тему “экономика и общество”
 - В ср., 3 апр.: КОНТРОЛЬНАЯ № 4
 - грамматика: **числительные**
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- Week 13** (Apr. 8, 10, 12): ГЛАВА 9
- Лексика и практика на тему “экономика России”
 - Грамматика: **Глагол «делать» с приставками; творительный падеж**
 - На среду, 10 апр.: ЗАДАНИЕ № 9
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- Week 14** (Apr. 15, 17, 19): ГЛАВЫ 9–10
- Лексика и практика на темы: “доходы и расходы,” “глобальные проблемы современности”
 - Грамматика: **деепричастия; знаки препинания**
 - На среду, 17 апр.: ЗАДАНИЕ № 10
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- Week 15** (Apr. 22, 24): ГЛАВА 10
- В понедельник, 22 апр.: КОНТРОЛЬНАЯ № 5
 - [Окончание].