

## Russian – Russian for Beginners

This course gives students a basic knowledge of Russian language, culture and contemporary Russian society. By the end of the year students are expected to have a reasonably good level of spoken Russian in a number of real-life situations and to be able to read and write simple texts.

The class consists of two one and a half hour sessions per week of grammar, listening and reading comprehension and conversation. The total number of contact hours is sixty-three (21 weeks). At the end of the course students have an option of final written and oral assessment, which may be one of the entrance requirements in order to proceed to the next level, Lower Intermediate Russian.

This course will normally run if there is a minimum of twelve students enrolled for the year. Groups will normally be closed when twenty students have enrolled.

### How to apply

Application forms are available from the Department of Russian and Slavonic Studies either in hard copy or electronic form (<http://www.tcd.ie/Russian/evening-courses>). The completed application form accompanied by payment in the form of a personal cheque, postal money order or bank draft, payable to Trinity College no. 1 account, should be returned by 23 September 2011.

**Contact information:** The Executive Officer, Department of Russian and Slavonic Studies, room 5045, Arts Building, Trinity College, Dublin 2. Phone: 896 1896, email: [slavonic@tcd.ie](mailto:slavonic@tcd.ie)

### Fee

€90 payable in advance. This fee is non-refundable once the course has commenced. A concession rate (€480) is available to Trinity College Dublin undergraduate students who are not taking this course for credits, to Trinity College Dublin postgraduate students with a letter from their head of department or supervisor indicating that they are required to develop their Russian-language skills, and those in receipt of a social welfare pension. If you are unemployed or in receipt of a social welfare payment, contact the Facilitator in your local social welfare office. You may be entitled to certain assistance in funding. The number of concession rate places in any given class is restricted to twenty per cent. Payment must accompany applications.

### Course materials

Students are expected to obtain a course book (approx cost is 35Euro); the course book is continued at the next level (Lower Intermediate Russian).

### Time and place

Mondays and Thursdays, 7.00 p.m. – 8.30 p.m., in room 3027, Arts Building, Trinity College, Dublin 2.

### Duration

Teaching in Michaelmas term commences on Monday, 3 October 2011 and ends on Thursday, 15 December 2011. Teaching in Hilary term commences on Monday, 16 January 2012 and ends on Thursday, 5 April 2012.

There is a one week break in each term (7-11 November 2011 and 27 February-2 March 2012) when no classes will take place.

## Application Form