

Welcome to **Croatian Language Courses** at TCD

The melodic Croatian language – totally different from English – might be a pleasant challenge! Croatian is one of the South-Slavic languages, as well as Slovenian, Bosnian, Montenegrin, Serbian, Macedonian and Bulgarian. So, if you learn Croatian, you will definitely be able to speak with and understand people not only from Croatia but from Bosnia, Serbia, Montenegro and Macedonia as well. Maybe even from other Slavic countries.

Croats came to their land in the 6/7th century. Over the centuries, they have had an exciting and culturally valuable history. For example, they have had three scripts: *angular Glagolitic* (from the 9th century; in use until the end of the 19th century), *Cyrillic* (from the 11/12th century; in use until the mid-19th century) and *Latin* (prevailed from the 14th century).

The aim of the courses is to provide you with a knowledge of Croatian language on *elementary*, *lower intermediate*, *upper intermediate* and *advanced* level through the activities of reading, writing, speaking, and listening. The learning will provide diverse materials about Croatian culture: geography, history, arts and people in the situations of everyday life.

Reasons for learning Croatian

- personal interests
- study, business or diplomatic purposes in Croatia
- professional interest in Croatian culture
- listening to, understanding and enjoying Croatian music
- introduction to Croatian literature and film
- being able to recognize Croatian monuments and famous places
- talking with Croats – they will be delighted



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