

Russian 320 | Intensive Conversation

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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Focuses on the acquisition and activation of new vocabulary. The course covers a series of frequent conversational themes and situations from daily life, including personal traits, art and culture, and current events. Students are expected to participate actively in class discussions, dialogues, and debates, as well as to prepare oral presentations and write short compositions. The course is also designed to develop students' acquisition of phonetic accuracy through oral presentations, practical training, and individualized work. Students will also cover a survey of important literary works as part of this course. Regular quizzes and one final exam.

Number of hours: 84

Students are placed in small groups for class, based on proficiency level. Textbooks and course materials will be based according to group.

GRADING AND ASSESSMENT:

Class attendance is a critical part of progress in language and students are expected to come on time and prepared for each class.

Attendance and class participation:	30%
Homework:	20%
Quizzes and tests:	30%
Final exam:	20%

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Week	Topic	Number of Hours
1	Introductions; Cultural differences of meeting people or My home town	6
	Phonetics	4
	Literature or History	2
2	Getting around town or Family traits	6
	Phonetics	4
	Literature or History	2
3	Marketing, advertising, and internet	6
	Phonetics	4
	Literature or History	2
4	Sport and hobbies	6
	Phonetics	4
	Literature or History	2

5	Holidays and traditions; higher education in Russia	6
	Phonetics	4
	Literature or History	2
6	Current events or Authors and poets	6
	Phonetics	4
	Literature or History	2
7	Environment/Careers	6
	Phonetics	4
	Literature or History	2
8	Final Exam	

**One Bryn Mawr unit is equivalent to four undergraduate semester hours or five graduate semester hours.*