

**Department of Modern Languages  
College of Liberal Studies  
University of Wisconsin-La Crosse**

**Elementary Russian 102: Second-Semester Russian  
Spring 2017**

This information sheet has been prepared to outline what you can expect and what will be expected of you during this semester.

**RUS 101 – Elementary Russian I (4 credits)**

**Class hours:** MTWH – 8:55-9:50 a.m.  
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**Course Goals and Policies**

**Course Objectives**

To establish a solid foundation in the fundamentals of the Russian Language through the development of **speaking, listening, reading, and writing skills** and to foster interest in the language and **culture** of Russia.

**Course Goals**

Welcome to second-semester of Elementary Russian! After successfully completing this course students will be able to:

- Talk about daily activities and schedules
- Talk about where and what people study
- Ask and tell time
- Make and respond to invitations
- Talk on the phone
- Rent an apartment
- Talking about homes, rooms, and furnishings
- Ordering meals in a restaurant, reading menus
- Ask for advice about purchases, presents and gift giving
- Talk about family members, their names, ages, professions, where they were born, and where they grew up

## **Required:**

Голоса / Golosa (Book 1, Fifth Edition, 2012). Richard Robin, Karen Evans-Romaine, Galina Shatalina and Joanna Robin.

Textbook (Available at the University Textbook Rental) and Workbook and Laboratory Manual (Available at the University Book Store).

You are expected to bring both your Textbook and Workbook to class every day!

## **Course Policies**

**Test and Quizzes:** There will be no make up quizzes, dictations or tests. If you miss a quiz, dictation, test or exam without a valid excuse (illness, family emergency), you will receive a zero for this test. *It is your responsibility to inform the instructor of your absence 24 hours BEFORE the scheduled test.*

**The Final Examination** will be one hour in length and will consist of the same kinds of activities and tasks represented on the lesson tests. The final exam for this course will be held on May 4, from 8:55 a.m. – 9:50 p.m. to accommodate schedules for all three campuses.

**55 minute Tests** (one class period) will normally be given after every lesson. All tests will be comprehensive, that is, each one will cover material from previous lessons. More detailed information will be provided in advance of each lesson test.

**Attendance:** Since proficiency is acquired only through regular and active contact with the target language, you are expected to attend class on a daily basis. I will take attendance daily. If you are unable to attend a class, please contact Natalia Roberts via email at nroberts@uwlax.edu prior to the class session.

**Homework Expectations:** You can expect to spend approximately 1-2 hours of time on homework for every hour in class. This course entails regular work with **Listening Comprehension Audio Program to accompany Golosa Textbook.**

**Homework is due at the beginning of each class.** No late homework will be accepted without a legitimate excuse (e.g., illness). If you know that you will have to miss class on a particular date, submit your homework assignment in advance and you will still receive the homework points for that day. Homework will usually be a PASS/FAIL grading. It will to be collected each week (on Monday).

## **Policy on Incomplete Grades:**

Incomplete grades are awarded only because of illness or other unusual circumstances BEYOND THE STUDENT'S CONTROL. The student must submit official evidence and discuss the situation with the instructor.

## **Disability Access:**

Any student with a documented disability (e.g., physical, learning, psychiatric, vision, or hearing, etc.) who needs to arrange reasonable accommodations must contact me and the

Disability Resource Services Office (165 Murphy Library) at the beginning of the semester.

**Policy on Religious Holidays:** If you will be observing any religious holidays this semester which will prevent you from attending a regularly scheduled class or interfere with fulfilling any course requirement, I will offer you an opportunity to make up course requirement if you make arrangements by informing me of the dates of your religious holidays three days before any holidays.

**Course Grade**

The course grade for this course will be determined according the following formula:

Class Participation	15 %
Homework	15 %
Quizzes	20 %
Oral Assessments	25 %
Lesson Tests	25 %

\* As you can see from weight given class participation and homework in the course grade, attendance is very important to your success in learning Russian.

Letter grades for the entire course will be assigned as follows:

**La Crosse**

93 % and higher = A  
88 % - 92.99 % = AB  
83 % - 87.99 % = B  
78 % - 82.99 % = BC  
70%-77.99% = C  
60% - 69.99 % = D  
59.99% and lower = F

**Stevens Point and Oshkosh**

92.5 and higher = A  
90 % - 92.49 % = A-  
87.5 % - 89.99 % = B+  
82.5 % - 87.49 % = B  
80%-82.49% =B-  
77.5 % - 79.99 % = C+  
70%- 77.49% = C  
60 % - 69.99 % = D  
59.99 % and lower = F