

## ***Russian 101A-B-C: Advanced Russian***

***Time (Fall Quarter):*** Monday, Friday 12:00-1:50, Friday 12:00-12:50

***Location (Fall Quarter):*** Humanities 311

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Russian 101A-B-C is a third-year course in the Russian language, designed to hone your skills in speaking, reading, writing and listening. Special emphasis is placed on developing your vocabulary and your skills in reading and speaking, with review of advanced grammar. In Fall Quarter we will focus on the final three chapters of the textbook *V puti*. In Winter Quarter we will turn to contemporary Russia. We will spend Spring Quarter traveling (virtually!) around the former Soviet Union, visiting both Russian cities and also cities in other countries where Russian is still a major language of communication.

If you are interested in taking this course, please contact Dr. Kresin about the materials for the course if you did not use the textbook *V puti* in your previous course.

Your grade will be based on the following components:

- Class participation, homework - 25%
- Class report (independent project) - 15%
- Quizzes - 30%
- Final - 30%

There will be written assignments for each class. Most Fridays there will be a quiz on vocabulary and grammar. The vocabulary sections of the quizzes will be cumulative, so be sure to review both old and new vocabulary. You can only make up a quiz if you make arrangements in advance. It is best to tell me in class or email, since I rarely check my answering machine.

For your independent project in Fall Quarter you will research and write a paper on a famous Russian of your choice. We will work on this project throughout the quarter. Please let me know no later than the beginning of the second week whom you have chosen. I will help you find resources in Russian, and you will gradually work up to writing a 2-3 page typed paper in Russian.

Here are some websites that you might want to browse:

UCLA Russian Program web page: <http://www.humnet.ucla.edu/Russian>

Installing a Russian font: [http://www.humnet.ucla.edu/russian/rus\\_setup\\_tutorial/](http://www.humnet.ucla.edu/russian/rus_setup_tutorial/)

“Sher’s Russian Index” (comprehensive site, arranged topically):

<http://www.websher.net/inx/icdefault1.htm>

Russian literature, with glosses: <http://www.conradish.net>

Many links relating to history: <http://www.departments.bucknell.edu/russian/> → Resources

Russian historical anecdotes: <http://www.history.ru/anek.htm>

Biographies: [www.prazdniki.ru](http://www.prazdniki.ru) → “poisk” (search)

Russian/Soviet political posters: <http://mina.ru/posters/>

Sites with audio files:

Russian radio stations: <http://russianinternet.com/radio/>

Interviews with a Russian student: <http://www.humnet.ucla.edu/russian/Tanya.htm>

Bilingual anthology of Russian poetry, some with audio files:

<http://www.russianpoetry.net/>