

**Latvian Academy of Culture**  
**BA Study Programme “Arts”**  
**Sub-programme of Intercultural Relations**

<i>Name of the Course</i>	Russian as a Foreign Language: Level A1/A2
<i>Credit points (LV)</i>	4
<i>ECTs Credit points</i>	6
<i>Number of Academic Hours</i>	32
<i>Department</i>	Intercultural Relations and Foreign Languages
<i>Author of the Course</i>	
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***Objectives of the course***

The objective of the course is to help students acquire, understand and exchange information about daily and cultural aspects of life in Russian. The course is offered to beginners with no preliminary knowledge of Russian as well as students with some background in the language (up to Lower Intermediate Level).

The course develops the 4 basic language skills, i.e., reading, writing, listening and speaking, with a special focus on dialogue. The course is aimed at the acquisition and/or revision of certain vocabulary and basic grammar at Level A1/A2 (depending on the students' knowledge). The languages of tuition are Russian and English (English language requirements: Level B1/Lower Intermediate).

The scope of the course may vary from 32 to 64 contact hours per term depending on the student interest. The course can take 1 or 2 terms for the same reason.

***Description of the Course***

<b>Main themes</b>
1. The Russian alphabet, pronunciation features and exercises. Greetings and farewells, introducing yourself, asking simple questions, polite phrases. The noun and its gender (masculine, feminine, or neuter), the singular/plural, the pronoun.
2. Asking questions and giving answers, thanking, numerals 1-100, days of the week, months. Cases and declensions of nouns 1.
3. Animals, nature, visiting different places. Cases and declensions of nouns 2.
4. Countries, towns and places, asking for directions. Prepositions and corresponding cases.
5. Describing people, places, etc. The adjective (long and short form; adjective declension)
6. Work and studies, hobbies, professions, everyday and other activities. The verb 1 (imperfective and perfective aspects, tenses). Verbs of motion.
7. Cultural events, shopping, etc. The verb 2 (conjugations)
8. End-of-Course test

***Requirements for Credit points***

Regular attendance of classes and workshops and successful performance of home assignments. At

the end of the Term students have to take a Test.

### ***Recommended Sources***

- 1 Red Kalinka. 2014. *Verbs of motion (beginners): tables and exercises. Levels A1-A2.* www.redkalinka.com.
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- 8 Red Kalinka. 2014. *Russian stories with audio: Level A1 Book 1.* www.redkalinka.com.
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- 11 Red Kalinka. 2014. *Russian stories with audio: Level B1 Book 1.* www.redkalinka.com.
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- 15 Red Kalinka. 2014. *Visual dictionary with audio: Russian-English.* www.redkalinka.com.
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- 19 Чубарова, О. Е. 2008. *Шкатулка. Пособие по чтению для иностранцев, начинающих изучать русский язык.* Москва: РЯ.