Course title: Basics of Russian Orthography and Punctuation

Course code: Valo2192

Branch of science: Russian Philology

Sub-branch of science: Linguistics

Credit points: 2

ECTS credit points: 3

Total number of contact hours: 32
  - Number of hours for lectures: 16
  - Number of hours for seminars and practical tasks: 16

Course developers:
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Preliminary knowledge (course title, part of programme, in which the course is to be acquired)

Course abstract:
The course is designed for the students of the Bachelor's study program "Philology". The course aims to introduce students to the Russian orthography and punctuation basics, as well as the pattern of speech abilities and skills-building, improving speech and language culture.

Learning outcomes:
Completed the study course students
- Know basic rules of Russian orthography and punctuation
- demonstrate the practical skills and knowledge in Russian orthography and punctuation,
- know how to identify and avoid errors,
- demonstrate adequate speech behavioral skills in different socio-conditional communicative situations
- capable of producing written texts
- independently deepen their professional competence.

Course content:

**Course plan:**

The course structure: lectures – 16 acad. hours., seminars – 16 acad. hours.

**Lecture topics:**
1. Written speech norms.
2. Spelling of parts of speech.
3. The verb and its forms, spelling of adverbs.
4. Spelling of supporting parts of speech.
5. Punctuation in a simple sentence.
6. Punctuation in composite and subordinate sentence.
7. Punctuation in composite asyndetic sentence.
8. Punctuation in sentences with direct speech.

**Seminar topics:**
1. Orthographic aids and dictionaries. Capitalization.
2. The word roots and prefixes spelling.
3. Spelling of affixes and inflections.
4. Simple sentence punctuation. Introductory remarks and the terms of address.
5. Compound sentence punctuation.
6. Complex subordinate sentence punctuation.
7. Composite asyndetic sentence punctuation.
8. Direct speech and citation.

**Students’ independent work:**
• Homework - training topics associated with specific practical tasks; work with theoretical literature and specialised periodicals, etc. the research and analysis; the preparation of a seminar and lecture.

**Requirements for awarding credit points:**
Active and productive work in classes - 50%. Independent work - 30%, passed the final examination (dif. test) - 20%. At least 85% of lectures and seminars.

**Compulsory reading:**
**Further reading:**

2. Лопатин В.В. и др. Орфографический словарь русского языка. Прописная или строчная? М.: АСТ-ПРЕСС, л.и.
3. Полный орфографический словарь русского языка / под ред. В. В. Лопатина Источник: sheba.spb.ru

**Remarks:**

**To which study programmes and their parts (A, B, C, D) this course belongs:**

ABSP „Philology” Part B