

Course title	Fundamentals of Russian Linguistics
Course code	Valo1121
Credit points	2
ECTS credit points	3
Total contact hours	40
Number of hours for seminars and practical assignments	40

Course developers

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Course summary

The course is envisaged for the student of BA Study Programme "Russian Philology". It presents basic knowledge in the language and its structure. The course aims to develop students' theoretical knowledge of linguistics as a science and the terms and concepts of language, as well as the nature of language, language functions and events, through its workshops and seminars.

Results

Trained in the courses students are able to

- participate actively in most informal and some formal exchanges on a variety of concrete topics relating to work, school, home, and leisure activities, as well as topics relating to events of current, public, and personal interest or individual relevance;
- write straightforward summaries on topics of general interest
- understand conventional narrative and descriptive texts, such as expanded descriptions of persons, places, and things and narrations about past, present, and future events
- know how to identify, analyze and evaluate different linguistic phenomena and facts.

Course content

1. Language as a system of signs.
2. Language's functions.
3. Language's system and structure.
4. Language origin theories.
5. Phonetics and phonology.
6. Writing: theory and history.
7. Lexicology.
8. Language's grammatical system.
9. World languages.

Course plan

1. Language and Reality. Language and thinking. Semiotic problems of linguistics. Natural and artificial languages. Sign system classification. Types of signs.
2. Communicative, cognitive, expressive, pragmatic language functions, forms of expression.

3. Concrete and abstract language. Concept of opposition. Sintagmatics, paradigmatics and linguistic analysis. Language and speech. The concept *model* for describing linguistic facts.
4. Units of expression plan and content plan. Levels and levels of units, functions, mutual relationship. Synchronic and diachronic research.
5. Language's nature. Origin of language: history of the problem the modern state. Linguistic contacts. The concept of linguistic continuity. Language "crossing" and key terms. Assimilation and linguistic death. Sociolinguistic situation in the world.
6. Speech organ's structure. Consonant and vowel articulation and acoustic classification. Sound additional articulation. Sound functions. Positional and combinatorial laws of sound.
7. Phonetic transcription. Scientific traditions in phonology. Phoneme concept of MFS and the GCC.
8. The history of writing: basic steps. Writing history. Writing types. Graphics. Letter.
9. The word as a linguistic unit in different types of languages. Nickname integrity and permeability. Lexeme and word form paradigm.
10. The systemic structure and vocabulary. Semantic fields. Frame concept.
11. Lexical and grammatical principles in a word. Word morphemic division. Grammatical and lexical literal meaning: zero expression. Morphemes' types. Word-formation and form-formation. Expression of grammatical meaning.
12. Agglutination and fussion, sintetism and analitism. The combination of words and sentences. Word connection types and agent.
13. Sentence's predicative scheme. Sentence types. Text structure. Text types.
14. Alive and dead languages. Languages and dialects. Language classification.
15. Language unions. Indo-European language family.
16. Methods of typological classification: morphological, phonetic, syntactic, structural basic types of World Languages.

Requirements for credits

Four intermediate tests - 40%. Differentiated test - 60%.

Basic Training

1. Rojavin M., Dengub E., Forrester S. Russian for Advanced Students. Hyattsville: Dunwoody Press, 2013.
2. Вендина Т.И. Введение в языкознание. М., 2001.
3. Немченко В.Н. Введение в языкознание. М., 2008.
4. Реформатский А.А. Введение в языковедение. М., л.и.

Further reading

1. Виноградов В.В. Исследования по русской грамматике. Избранные труды. М., л.и.
2. Виноградов В.В. История русского литературного языка. Избранные труды. М, л.и.
3. Перетрухин В.Н. Введение в языкознание. Курс лекций. М., 2007.
4. Русский язык: Энциклопедия. Гл. ред. Ю.Н. Караулов. 2-ое изд-е. М., 1990.
5. Современный русский язык. Под редакцией В.А. Белошапковой. М., л.и.
6. Современный русский язык. Теория. Анализ языковых единиц. В двух частях. Под ред. Е.И. Дибровой. М., 2008.
7. Хроленко А.Т., Бондалетов В.Д. Теория языка. Учебное пособие. М. 2004.
8. Языкознание: взгляд в будущее. Под общей редакцией Г.И. Берестнева. Калининград, 2002.

Periodicals and other sources of information

<http://www.lingvoinfo.com/?link=113> все грани языкознания (справочно-информационный портал) <http://www.lingvoinfo.com/?link=115> (справочно-информационный портал)

<http://ru.wikipedia.org> википедия (справочно-информационный портал)

http://genhis.philol.msu.ru/article_132.shtml библиотека теории языка

<http://z3950.ksu.ru/referat/erofeev.rar> Учебно-методическое пособие по курсу "Введение в языкознание" [Электронный ресурс] / Авт.-сост.: И.В. Ерофеева, Д.Р. Копосов; Казанский государственный университет.

http://www.libma.ru/jazykoznanie/vvedenie_v_jazykoznanie_kurs_lekcii/index.php Калашникова Л.В. Введение в языкознание (курс лекций).

<http://ru.scribd.com/doc/132598943>