



**Russian as a Foreign Language - 15 ECTS credits**

Intermediate	Conversational Russian and Communicative Linguistics
	Basics of Russian Orthography and Punctuation
	Normative Grammar I - II
Advanced	Conversational Russian and Communicative Linguistics
	Issues of Russian orthography and punctuation
	Russian functional stylistics
	Modern standard Russian: lexicology I
	Modern standard Russian: morphology I
	Modern standard Russian: syntax I
Superior	Russian stylistics
	Modern standard Russian: syntax II
	Russian phraseology
	Business Russian

**Sample Courses Russian Literature and Culture - 15 ECTS credits \***

Philological Analysis of the Literary Text
Culture and Information Communication
Introduction to Russian Literature and Culture
The Modern Russian Literary Language Word-formation
The Modern Russian Literary Language Morphology
The Modern Russian Literary Language Lexicology
History of Russian literature and culture
Russian literary and cultural studies
Introduction to Russian Linguistics
Fundamentals of Russian Linguistics
Problems of lexical semantics
Eastern-European-culture
Culture of Speech
Normativa gramatika
Russian Colloquial Speech
The Latvian language for foreigners
Practical seminar in Russian
Russian Stylistics
Text Linguistics

The academic program is supplemented with weekday excursions and weekend field trips. All excursions are led by professional guides or DU faculty members.

**Weekend Overnight Trips**

Long weekend overnight trips to Riga, the capital of Latvia, and Vilnius, the capital of Lithuania, are provided as part of the program. Hotel lodging is included in the program fee.

**Independent Travel**

Two long (Thursday-Sunday) are reserved for students' independent travel. Visa-free trips to Helsinki, Stockholm, Warsaw, Prague, and Berlin have been among the most popular of our students' choices.

**Optional Travel Week: Russia or Belarus**

During a designated travel week, students may choose an optional guided tour of Russia (Moscow, St. Petersburg) or Belarus (Vitebsk, Minsk, Nesvizh, Brest, Grodno). Help with visa applications is provided.

**Also included:**

- Full on-site orientation.
- Welcome kit with reference materials and maps.
- Local mobile phone with a pre-paid deposit.
- Local health and accident insurance.
- Free Wi-Fi in class and at host family residences.
- Round-trip airport transfer to Riga International Airport.
- Cultural and athletic activities.
- 24/7 in-country support.

**For complete details, please visit:**

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**Academic Study Abroad Program**

**RUSSIAN LANGUAGE, LITERATURE AND CULTURE**

at Daugavpils University, Latvia

\* The course list may be updated by Daugavpils University.

## Russian Language, Literature and Culture

This customized study abroad program is offered by the Department of Russian and Slavic Linguistics at Daugavpils University.

Daugavpils University will award up to 30 European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) credits – the equivalent of 15 US university credits.

No visa is required to study in Latvia for citizens of the United States, Canada, European Union member states, and many other countries.

### Program Features:

- Two study modules – A. Russian as a Foreign Language and B. Russian Literature and Culture.
- Diverse elective course options in Russian Literature and Culture.
- Russian language instruction provided at Intermediate, Advanced, and Superior target proficiency levels.
- Accommodation with Russian-speaking host families.
- Native Russian-speaking student communication partners.
- Excursions, field trips, cultural and athletic activities.
- Local health insurance, two-way airport transfer, a local mobile phone and a full orientation.
- Optional guided trip to Russia or Belarus. Visas can be obtained from consulates located in Daugavpils.
- Full linguistic and cultural immersion in the most Russian city of the European Union.
- Full-time in-country support.

## THE PERFECT LOCATION FOR STUDY ABROAD

Daugavpils, the second largest city in Latvia, is a unique place – a Russian-language enclave and the most Russian city in the European Union.

Students will experience full linguistic immersion and undergo an amazing cultural experience in a city which was once part of both the Russian Empire and the Soviet Union and which has a remarkable historical legacy tied to Russia and Russian-European relations. Daugavpils is the perfect location for a Russian-language study abroad program.

Daugavpils University (DU) is the foremost academic and research institution in Eastern Latvia. Its Department of Russian and Slavic Linguistics has a long tradition of research and instruction in Russian language and literature. The department offers Bachelor's, Master's and Doctoral programs in Russian philology, pedagogy, and intercultural communication.

### Credit Transfer

DU awards European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) credits, the standard for most European countries. ECTS credits are widely accepted by universities around the world.

Please contact your academic advisor regarding all aspects of DU/ECTS credit approval by your home institution, and make sure you are familiar with all requirements and restrictions. ECTS credit recognition depends entirely on your home institution.

### Course Structure

Students of this program can expect to attend up to 20 hours of for-credit coursework weekly. Classes are formed exclusively from Learn Russian in the EU international students. Therefore, classmates share similar academic backgrounds and similar training objectives.

Elective courses may be offered either to groups of students or in a one-on-one setting. These courses are taught in Russian.

### Eligibility

Anyone over the age of 18 who is studying in a university or who holds a high school degree may apply to the program. Minimum ACTFL Intermediate Low Russian-language proficiency or its equivalent is required.

## RUSSIAN-SPEAKING HOST FAMILIES

One of Learn Russian in the EU's greatest assets is its partnership with outstanding Russian-speaking host families. These families offer much more than convenient lodging and good meals for our international students – they are integral to the program's language training and cultural experience. Living with a host family will give students an unforgettable linguistic and cultural experience.

Accommodation with Russian-speaking host families comes with breakfast and dinner on workdays and three meals on weekends.

Students may also count on assistance in finding an individual rental apartment if desired.

### Semester Program Costs

Participation Confirmation Fee	100 Euro (non-refundable)
Program Fee	
Tuition and fees for the program	5650 Euro
Host family lodging, half board	2640 Euro
Books, copies, materials	140 Euro
Local transportation	140 Euro
Insurance	90 Euro

**PROGRAM TOTAL: 8660 Euro**

\* Includes all program activities and services: tuition, excursions, in-country support, local mobile phone, and etc.

### Financial Support

Former students of our program have found funding through the Boren Scholarship, the Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship, and other programs.

Students may also apply for the Dobychin Scholarship.

### Payments

The program fee is payable in two 50% installments. The first payment must be completed before the program begins and the second payment is expected within 6 weeks of the start of the semester abroad program.

## DATES AND DEADLINES \*

### Spring semester, duration 16 weeks:

Participation Confirmation Fee Due	December 1
Program Pre-Payment (50%) Due	January 16
Program Start Date	February 3
Final Payment (50%) Due	March 20
Program End Date	May 22

### Fall semester, duration 15 weeks:

Participation Confirmation Fee Due	June 23
Program Pre-Payment (50%) Due	August 14
Program Start Date	September 1
Final Payment (50%) Due	October 20
Program End Date	December 18

\* Dates are tentative.