

# Irkutsk State University

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# **Programs for foreign students**

Программы института филологии, иностранных языков и медиакоммуникации Иркутского государственного университета для иностранных студентов

• The "Russian as a foreign language" program for beginners

A one term (380 hours) or one year (760 hours) intensive program for learners without previous learning experience or with the introductory knowledge of Russian.

Students who didn't learn Russian before will be able to reach A2 level by the end of the program. Students who learned Russian will be able to improve their Russian to B1 level.

We offer a comfortable and interesting studying in international groups with our course teachers who are real professionals with vast experience in teaching Russian to international students from all over the world. Our "Russian as a foreign language" students take part in linguistic competitions where they can show how good they have become in Russian.

Our students' life is full of events. They go to Irkutsk museums and theatre performances. Every year we celebrate traditional Russian holidays such as Christmas Day, Spring Festival. Foreign students participate in the Institute's Poetry Festival and can present their talents at the annuary Students' Spring musical festival.

For all our international students there are dormitory rooms available.

#### • Individual Russian lessons

Learners with the basic or intermediate proficiency level often choose studying in a minigroup (up to 4 persons) or individually. The course program and materials are being structered for the needs of each student individually.

• The cultural and educational summer program for students of all subjects without previous knowledge of Russian "First Acquaintance with the Russian language and culture"

The short (40 hours) introductory program includes acquisition of greeting and politeness formulas, some "survivor" amount of widely used words and phrases of different spheres of everyday communication, and cultural information. Our students get acquainted with Irkutsk and lake Baikal, visit museums and concerts together with Russian Master students.

- The program of **Medical Russian** (min. 96 hours ) is considered for interpreters, translators and employees of clinics and consists of the following sections:
- Anatomy
- Internal diseases
- Neurology
- Laboratory tests
- Doctor and patient conversation
- Practical course of spoken and written Russian

The courses are based on authentic medicine texts, audios and videos, created by doctors who are specialists in the respective field.

#### Summer School of Advanced Russian

For everyone interested to improve their knowledge of Russian. The supposed initial level of the participants – B2 and C1.

The program of the school includes the following specialized courses:

1. Practical course on the styles of the Russian language

An intensive course with a purpose of developing the practical use of written and oral speech in various genres: autobiography, interview, essay, report etc. A special attention is paid to colloquial Russian.

2. Difficult cases of Russian grammar

The course is devoted to the irregular usage of grammar forms of the Russian verb and the pronouns-substantives.

3. Russian culture in the mirror of the vocabulary

Studying of the national specific concepts of the Russian worldview: душа, судьба, тоска, заодно, постараться, довелось, маяться, воля, лихой etc.

4. Russian literature in the XXI century

A course on the problems and aesthetics of the contemporary Russian literature on example of A.Slapovsky, V.Sorokin, E.Grishkovets, T.Tolstaya, S.Nosov, V.Pavlova's works.

The school is held in Irkutsk and in the summer camp in Bolchie Koty. The program is laid out for 72 academic hours and includes excursions to the Olkhon island and Listvyanka village, and Irkutsk city tour.

# • Spoken and Written Russian program

A one year (680 hours) or one term (340 hours) program for students with the initial level of Russian A2-B1. The program includes a variable choice of the following courses:

- Pronunciation;
- Practical grammar;
- Difficult cases of Russian grammar;
- Conversation;
- Composition and Other Written Speech Genres;
- Business Russian;
- Russian for Tourism;
- Russian Literature;
- Russian Culture;
- Russian History;
- Russian World Picture in the Mirror of Vocabulary;
- Modern Russian Mass Culture: Movies, Cartoons, Music.
- Russian Idioms and Discursive Formulas;
- Audio-visual Russian course

The exact program is subject to agreement with the sending university.

Our students participate in the city tour of Irkutsk, excursions to the lake Baikal, visit museums and theatre performances and take part in various students' festivals and events: students' initiation, Slavic Christmas, Students' Spring, Halloween.

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