

GENERAL RUSSIAN LANGUAGE COURSES

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1. Standard Russian Course

You are very welcome to book the most popular Russian language course and study Russian at internationally accredited school!

The Standard Russian Course includes 20 lessons per week, covering all aspects of the Russian language. As a result, you will learn Russian and develop your communicative Russian language skills in the shortest possible time. During your lessons, you will acquire all 4 language skills; these include reading, writing, speaking, listening skills, and the use of grammar. Teachers use reading or listening to stimulate discussion and writing to consolidate your Russian practice.

So why do students who want to learn Russian in Riga often consider our standard course? The course allows you to flawlessly incorporate the two most important parts of the Russian language immersion program. Despite the intensity of this course, you will noticeably see the improvement on your Russian and free time to benefit from a great opportunity to explore the beautiful city of Riga and get to know Latvia. This is one of the most popular programs to learn Russian, especially during the summer!

Feedback from our student Marianne:

"The course aims at developing all language skills (listening, speaking, reading and writing), but the focus is definitely on the oral part of the language, which I deeply value. The class is constructed as a series of debates and discussions where everyone has the chance to both take part in dialogues and live interaction and to speak for longer periods of time and develop an argument in depth"

Number of Russian language lessons per week: 20

Minimum enrollment: 1 week

Maximum students per class: 8 (in summer up to 10), average 5

Levels: A1 to C1

Important: beginners should be familiar with the Cyrillic alphabet

Additional Options for Standard Russian

In addition to any group program, you may also book one of the Language Plus module courses: Business Russian Language, Russian Music, Russian Literature. You may also add General Individual Russian, TRKI / TELC exam preparation. For those who are 50 years old, we've prepared a great program Vacation Club 50+ for you! This allows combining Russian language studies with a fascinating social program.

Check the Study Abroad program with the possibility to earn credit points from your home university. Secondly, we advise paying attention to the Long-Term Course for extensive studies and Russian language practice and immersion, price reduction opportunities, and other benefits.

Justice, USA: "Russian Language Academy in Riga has excellent instructors and a great learning atmosphere. I enjoyed learning Russian and new ways to apply grammatical structures into questions and statements. Above all, I received so much more than I expected! If I study Russian abroad again, I will definitely come here."

STARTING DATES FOR BEGINNERS 2019 - 2020
SEPTEMBER 2019
2, 23
OCTOBER 2019
14
NOVEMBER 2019
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DECEMBER 2019
2
JANUARY 2020
6
FEBRUARY 2020
3
MARCH 2020
2, 30
APRIL 2020
27
MAY 2020
25
JUNE 2020
15, 29
JULY 2020
13, 27
AUGUST 2020
10, 24

2. Intensive Russian Course

The Intensive Russian language classes include 25 lessons per week and are an ideal option if you wish to maximize your time in Latvia. In addition to the Standard Russian language course with 20 lessons per week taken in the mornings, you will have an additional 5 Russian language lessons per week on two afternoons. You will learn Russian fast taking this intensive course! Moreover, you will noticeably improve your fluency, vocabulary, and pronunciation in Russian.

During the Intensive Russian course, get ready to master the situational aspect of Russian, take part in discussions and role-plays. Moreover, you will also practice the social language in "real life" situations. Thanks to an intensive study process, you will greatly develop all the skills necessary for confident communication in Russian. Be sure – you will learn Russian fast. Russian language lessons on afternoons are offered at three different level groups: A1, A1+/A2, and B1/B2.

Number of lessons per week: 25 Minimum enrollment: 1 week

Maximum students per class: 8 (in the summer up to 10), average 5

Levels: A1 to C1

Important: beginners should be familiar with the Cyrillic alphabet

Additional Options

Are you looking for a more intense study process? Do you want to learn Russian fast? We advise you to upgrade your linguistic stay by adding some individual lessons. In addition to the intensive Russian language classes, you may take one of our Language Plus module. You can book, for example, Business

Russian, Russian Music, Russian Literature. Moreover, you may add more value to your Russian language classes and choose TRKI / TELC exam preparation. Check the Study Abroad program and Russian immersion courses with the possibility to earn credit points for your home university. Similarly, you may book the Long-Term Russian course for extensive Russian language classes and benefit from great price reduction opportunities both for tuition and our residential accommodation options.

Daniele, CANADA: "I was really satisfied with the pace of the Russian language lessons. It's a great school to learn Russian fast. It was intensive enough to allow myself to progress in one week. I really like the fact that during intensive Russian language classes we spoke Russian only. For this reason, my experience was even more interesting and useful".

3. Mini-Group Russian

Learning Russian in a mini group is an excellent way to combine the Standard or Intensive Russian language lessons with 5 to 10 extra lessons per week at a Mini Group class. The Mini Group class is a small class of a maximum of 5 students, where you benefit from more individual attention from your teacher. During this course, you will improve your fluency in the Russian language quickly and effectively in the shortest possible time. We advise studying Russian in a small group for those who are short of time and enjoy an intensive study process.

The Standard Russian course with 20 Russian language lessons per week covers all aspects of the language and aims to develop students' communicative efficiency. In fact, you will acquire all 4 language skills: reading, writing, speaking, listening and the use of grammar. Teachers use reading or listening to stimulate discussion and writing to consolidate language practice.

The Intensive Russian course with 25 Russian language lessons per week is designed for the motivated student who wishes to maximize the time spent in Latvia as effectively as possible. In addition to Standard Russian with 20 lessons per week, students will have an extra 5 lessons per week on two afternoons. Get ready not only to master situational language and discussions through role-play, but also the use of social language. For this reason, you will greatly develop and improve all the skills necessary for confident communication.

You have the option to choose to learn Russian in a Mini Group

Standard 20 + Mini Group 5, a total of 25 lessons per week Standard 20 + Mini Group 10, a total of 30 lessons per week Intensive 25 + Mini Group 5, a total of 30 lessons per week

Number of lessons per week: 25 - 30

Minimum enrollment: 1 week

Maximum students per class: 8 (in summer up to 10), average 5

Levels: A1 to C1

Important: beginners should be familiar with the Cyrillic alphabet

Emilie F. Dalisda, GERMANY: "I highly enjoyed my experience studying Russian at RLA Durbe. The teachers were really helpful and challenging at the same time. They adapted to our level of knowledge, therefore I could easily improve it. Due to small classes and the fact that we only spoke Russian, the classes were very helpful – we improved all skills with a variety of materials. I also enjoyed the atmosphere during and in between – I received exactly what I wanted from the course."

3. Individual Russian

Do you want to make rapid progress or wish to concentrate on particular areas of the language? Consider intensive Individual Russian language courses! If your aim is to learn Russian last, we make sure it will perfectly suit you. Surely, all private Russian language courses include needs-analysis to make sure you get the best of the course. The teacher will focus on your strengths and the areas you

want to improve on in Russian. We provide an individual program custom tailored to your Russian language level of knowledge, your preferences, professional interests, and needs.

You have the option to book a course of any intensity starting from 15 and up to 40 lessons per week. The advantage of the course includes individual support from your teacher and the possibility to study at your personal pace. However, if you have 7 or even fewer days to improve your Russian, let us advise you to consider the super-intensive Immersion Crash course with the availability to take part in lessons over the weekend.

As a part of the Russian Language Academy's Durbe teaching system, teachers use the communicative approach, providing the most effective language training for you, especially in terms of the development of communication skills. Above all, you will be able to communicate in the target language from the very first lesson! In spite of its cost, Individual Russian is one of the most popular types of courses taken in the school.

Individual courses offered:

Leisure with 15 lessons per week Standard with 20 lessons per week Intensive with 30 lessons per week Crash with 40 lessons per week

Additional Options

In addition to your private Russian language lessons, you may take one of our Language Plus module courses: Russian for Politics, Business Russian, Russian Music, Russian Literature, TRKI / TELC exam preparation. For the best progress and if you are really ready to learn Russian fast you may combine Individual Russian with our Standard Russian course.

Emer, IRELAND: "I found the standard of teaching Russian is very good. So that I have had private Russian language classes, which was very helpful for me as a beginner".

Number of lessons per week: 15-40Minimum enrollment: 15 lessons per week

Starting dates: upon request

Levels: A1 to C1

Please note that Individual lessons are conducted in the afternoons. We guarantee individual lessons in the mornings for bookings of 30+ lessons per week.

5. Russian Online via Skype

Private Russian online Skype lessons are a highly useful and cost-friendly way to learn Russian, compared to studying abroad. For example, you may set your own study hours, days, and level of intensity. You are also welcome to learn Russian online at any time and place. You will get individual lessons with our experienced and encouraging teacher but also engaging online study materials. What is more you will have regular homework that will ensure a dynamic and effective study process.

Online Russian language lessons include all the language components (reading, listening, speaking, writing, grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation). Moreover, our teachers always use the communicative approach during the entire lesson. Most importantly is that learning online allows for a deeper concentration on your personal linguistic needs and goals.

Top Benefits of Skype Online Lessons

These days, technology for educational use has changed the way in which people can learn and access new languages. Skype is one of these tools, allowing for studying and cost benefits that traditional approaches have yet to offer:

1. Convenience

Learning the Russian language online is less time consuming, especially for those of us who are always "on-the-go". Therefore, you're free to plan lessons according to your own schedule. Considering

nowadays that access to the Internet is not a problem, Skype lessons can be carried out no matter where you are.

2. Cost-effective

If you don't have enough free time or can't afford to fly to the other side of the world, apply for a course, and book accommodations – Russian language online lessons are the way to go nowadays. Surely, it's cheaper, easier, and at your own pace.

3. Communication

You must rely on your communicative abilities, in the same way as improving your speaking skills and self-confidence. In other words, it is a great way to improve not only your pronunciation but also to learn. State your opinions on topics, as well as to ask grammatical questions when needed.

4. Multimedia

Using individual Skype lessons, you benefit from seeing the same screen as the teacher at any time, where they can provide you access to various videos, photos, and interactive grammar corrections.

5. Feedback

The teacher being the only person to communicate with you, interactive components of online learning differ from traditional classroom experiences. From correcting your pronunciation to an immediate review of your quizzes and daily mini-tests. To sum up – your studies will definitely benefit from it.

To summarize, Russian language Skype online classes allow freedom regarding time management. Skype lessons are cost-effective and build confidence for those, whose speaking skills are yet to be mastered. Give it a try and learn Russian online!

Prices for online Russian Skype Lessons

Enrolment fee: EUR 30.00

1-9 lessons: EUR 36.00 per lesson 10+ lessons: EUR 30.00 per lesson

20+ (minimum 4 lessons per week): EUR 26.00 per lesson

Online lessons on weekends or public holidays: EUR 40.00 per lesson

Level of knowledge: A1 – C1

Starting dates: any time upon request

Lesson duration: 50 minutes **Study hours:** any time upon request

Ludwig, GERMANY: "The school left a very good impression, teachers always motivate you to learn the Russian language. I continued my Russian language lessons via Skype with my teacher from Riga. In fact, it works better than expected and it gives me a lot of flexibility!".

6. Tailor-made Groups

Tailor-made Russian language programs for any age groups are available all year round! Come to Riga to learn the Russian language and have fun during amazing activities that will spark interest in any age group – they'll ensure your students won't get bored!

Upon request, groups of students age 15 + may be integrated into classes with other students. We accept students with any level of Russian.

Dates: all year round

Arrival: Saturday or Sunday

Students age: school groups, adult Groups

What is included in the Russian language program for groups

Russian language lessons – you may include any number of lessons as you require

Accommodation and food – you have the option to apply for an accommodation with a Russian host family for great Russian language practice or choose to stay in a hotel In addition, you are welcome to add excursions and activities to your package Transportation costs to excursions and entrance tickets for all organized activities Return airport transfer Finally, you will get a course certificate A free group leader for every 10 students!

Some ideas what to do during the tailor-made program

Explore Old Riga on Monday and be excited by the charm of the Old Town. Feel the romance of the Middle Ages and walk through the narrow cobblestone streets with churches and monastery yards, the Dome Cathedral, and other historical monuments. Tuesday is a day to visit the largest market in the Baltic States and one of the biggest outdoor markets of the European continent. Everyone loves shopping, so let's go to the biggest shopping centre in Riga not only to buy some souvenirs and traditional sweets, but also to practice some conversational Russian!

On Thursday, in addition to your free time activity options, you may choose any of the museums according to the interests of your group. To experience traditional Russian dance elements and to play merry Russian games, let's have fun at a Russian style party! Friday is the best day for a sparkling event full of laughs and fun!

7. Evening Russian Course

Russian language evening classes are great for foreigners who live, work, or study in Riga! Do you know how to say "Good evening" or "Good morning" in Russian? Do you want to be able to speak everyday Russian? Then you just need the basics of the Russian language for absolute comfort and confidence. In other words, consider a part-time Evening Russian language course!

During your Russian language evening classes, you will develop your reading, listening, speaking and writing skills. Above all, a part-time Russian course will help to consolidate your grammar knowledge. Due to the high intensity of the learning process and individual approach, you will quickly achieve the desired results. In addition, the studies in a small group provide a pleasant and friendly atmosphere in the classroom.

As a part of the RLA Durbe teaching system, teachers use the communicative approach, providing the most effective language training. Special attention is paid to the development of your communication skills. Good news – you will be able to communicate in the target language from the very first lesson! And to sum it up – you will significantly enrich your vocabulary and will get a very positive study experience.

"The course aims at developing all language skills (listening, speaking, reading and writing), but the focus is definitely on the oral part of the language, which I deeply value. The class is constructed as a series of debates and discussions where everyone has the chance to both take part in dialogues and live interaction and to speak for longer periods of time and develop an argument in depth."

Course intensity: 32 academic hours (8 weeks)

Regularity: 2.5 academic hours 2 times a week from 18.10 to 19.40

Level of knowledge: A1-B1 Number of participants: 4-7

Price: 199 EUR

15% price discount for ISIC / ITIC card holders!



SPECIALIZED RUSSIAN LANGUAGE COURSES

- 1. Russian for Politics
- 2. Russian Teachers Methodology
- 3. TRKI and Telc Exam Course
- 4. Immersion Crash Course
- 5. Business, Music, Literature
- 6. Russian for Military

1. Russian for Politics

When we talk about Russian politics, isn't the president of Russia the first thing that comes to mind? We highly recommend the Russian for Politics course to any student who studies foreign affairs, diplomacy, international relations, economics, and sociology.

This course is key for anyone who works in these fields. And of course for those who know Russian at a B2 level (upper-intermediate). Because of that, the Russian for Politics course is great for those who want to learn more about the Russian used in political contexts. Moreover, you'll be able to freely communicate in the professional and political spheres. In addition, you'll increase your knowledge about the political aspects of world politics, including Russian politics and Russia itself. Your grammar and vocabulary will be updated to ensure a smooth academical conversation of politics. You will find Russian politics and similar themes to be interesting and multi-sided.

"RUSSIAN FOR POLITICS" MODULES

Five modules provide deeper knowledge of modern Russia, the president of Russia, and the government. You will get a deeper understanding of public authorities and Russian society. Additionally, the modules will also allow you to focus on your home country. You have the freedom to combine modules and even themes according to your needs and interest. The sixth module gives an insight into Latvia's history and relationship with other countries of the world.

Russian for Politics is an individual course and takes place in the afternoons. Students who wish to effectively use their time in Latvia may take extra Standard Russian group classes. This is made up of 20 lessons per week and is taught in the mornings. Furthermore, Standard Russian covers all parts of the language and aims to develop students' communicative efficiency in the shortest time. You may also book a challenging combination of the Russian for Politics and Russian for Military modules!

General info about "Russian for Politics" course:

Minimum level: B1 + (lower level upon request)

No. of modules offered: 6

No. of individual lessons per one module: 10 Minimum enrolment: One module per week

Price for one module (10 individual lessons about Russian politics): 480 EUR

Choose any combination of modules

Module No. 1: Introduction to Political Russian

Political vocabulary

Governmental structures of Latvia and student's home country

Most important political events in the country's history (Latvia or Russia and student's home country) EU and Nato countries on the political map (countries, their capitals, nationalities, spoken languages) Membership in International Organizations of Russia and student's home country

Module No. 2: Let's Get to Know Russia

Russia's physical and economic geography Symbols of Russia – coat of arms, as well as flag and anthem Political parties and movements in Russia The national and religious composition of the population The diversity of cultural worlds

Module No. 3: Russia and the President of Russia

Structure of the government

Functions of the president, as well as the Russian Parliament and institution of the presidency

The opposition's view on Mr. Putin's two decades of governance

Corruption? Winter Olympic games in the subtropical city of Sochi

Elections in Russia and presidential election procedure in Russia

Module No. 4: Citizens of the World

The collapse of the USSR in 1989-1991 Life in the countryside versus the city: pluses and minuses Migration and Labor Intellectual Emigration (Brain Drain) Healthcare and problems of an aging society

Module No. 5: Public Authorities and Society

Principles of state sovereignty and separation of powers Legislative bodies Judicial system The social structure of the society Social inequality

Module No. 6: Culture, Politics, and Society in Latvia

Latvia – a member of the EU and NATO UNESCO World Heritage and Latvia Latvian achievements on a global scale Memorial and remembrance days in Latvia and the world Unique cultural events

2. Russian Teachers Methodology

The Russian Teachers Development course is for non-native speakers of Russian, teaching the Russian language at primary, secondary, or vocational schools, at colleges and universities or at language centers for adults from an A1 (Beginner) to a B2 (Intermediate) level. It is recommended that participants have a level of Russian at CEF level B2+, B2 or B1+ (minimum B1).

Objectives of the course: To be a teacher of the Russian language means we think not only about how to teach Russian grammar. Here, in Riga, you will master Russian language training, learning, and the most effective Russian language teaching methodologies. In other words, the focus is on the teaching techniques of the Russian language without translation, but through explanations. A bonus of the course: The training course provides teachers of the Russian language with a wonderful opportunity to establish links with Russian language teachers from different countries! In short, this is a great opportunity to exchange experience with professionals from other countries.

Outcome: The course will improve confidence in lesson delivery and expand the participants' range of methodological approaches to enhance classroom practice.

Participants can choose to study for 1 or 2 weeks.

Our students often apply for the Erasmus+ financial program to fully fund their studies with us. Therefore, we strongly recommend using the opportunity to get funding.

Hana, a Russian language teacher from the Czech Republic: "Latvia is one of the few European countries, where at Russian Language Academy Durbe it is possible to study through Erasmus+ funded courses for teacher's development. As a teacher of the Russian language, I loved the communication skills practice. In addition, the structure of lessons and the variety of useful links and facts provided about the methods of teaching Russian as a foreign language. Latvia left a wonderful impression on me. To sum up I discovered Riga as an elegant and interesting city where I felt stress-free and very calm."

3. TRKI and Telc exam course

This challenging TRKI Russian language exam (or TORFL – Test of Russian as a Foreign Language) course prepares students for studies at a Russian-speaking university both in Latvia and abroad. The course prepares students for the TRKI exam by developing their Russian language knowledge and skills. The program aims to help a student reach the target language level. The excellently structured exam program with a tutor's personal approach will ensure the success of every student continuing studies at the chosen university or school. You are welcome to book the individual TRKI Exam preparation module in addition to any of the group courses. Each TRKI exam preparation module consists of 5 individual lessons. You may book 1 to 3, or even more modules per week to prepare and ensure that you understand the structure of the exam.

About TRKI exam

The TRKI exam (Test of Russian as a Foreign Language) comprises of 5 parts and examines language competencies: listening, speaking, writing, vocabulary/grammar, reading.

Usually, the exam is held over a period of 2 days. You can take it at the University of Latvia during your stay in Riga (advanced booking is required). On the first day, students take the "Writing", "Vocabulary/Grammar" and "Reading" parts. On the second day –"Speaking" and "Listening" parts. The TRKI/TORFL exam assesses foreign students' skills to express various communicative intentions in the writing form by using rights phrases and words. The exam checks how students are able to understand different types of written information in the Russian language. It also tests for the comprehension of information in Russian given acoustically. Students will also participate in dialogues and will produce a monologue according to the proposed theme.

Individual Telc exam preparation course

The telc exam offers four Russian language certificates, covering all levels from A1-B2. Telc exams align with the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR), ensuring international recognition of language competency. The exam serves the needs and interests of a wide variety of individuals, groups, and organizations. With a telc certificate, you can document your Russian language skills at all proficiency levels of CERF.

The exam tests general language competence and focuses on communicative competence, rather than academic skills. The written part lasts between 70 and 150 minutes (depending on the level). The oral examination runs in pairs or small groups creating real-life dialogues and lasts 15 minutes. **The telc website** offers some more details on the exam.

TELC Exam Preparation on an Individual Basis

Knowing the structure and type of tasks of the telc test are essential prerequisites for passing the exam. This is why all candidates should book Russian Language Academy Durbe's special individual telc exam preparation module (5 lessons per module), scheduled for the week of the exam (Friday is the exam day). The exam focuses on communicative competence, rather than academic skills. As a result, adding this module to any of the regular courses guarantees the best possible preparation for the exam.

The booking deadline is 4 weeks prior to the exam date. You can book an Individual telc exam preparation module in addition to any of our group **courses**.

TELC exam preparation module

Minimum enrolment -1 week;

Language levels accepted: A1, A2, B1, B2;

Number of lessons per week- 5 to 10 on individual basis;

Lessons per one module -5, 2 modules -10

Price: 240 EUR per module (5 lessons), 2+ module (fee per module): 210 EUR

TRKI Russian language exam preparation module

Minimum enrolment -1 week;

Minimum level: A1

Number of lessons per week- 5 to 10 on individual basis;

Lessons per one module -5, 2 modules - 10

Price per module: 240 EUR, price per 2 modules (10 lessons) – 420 EUR

Prices for TRKI exams: A1(Elementary), A2 (Basic), TRKI 1 (1st Certif. level) – **EUR 110;** for TRKI 2 (2nd Certif. level), TRKI 3 (3rd Certif. level), TRKI 4 (4th Certif. level) – **EUR 130.**

General information about the TRKI exam (in English TORFL – Test of Russian as a Foreign Language)

The Exam is normally held over 2 days and there are five parts.

The first day: Vocabulary & Grammar (50-90 min), Reading (45-60 min) and Writing (50-80 min)

The second day: Listening (25-45 min) and Speaking (45-60 min)

The duration of each of the parts depends on the test level

4. Immersion Crash course

If you have just a week for your Russian language course including weekends and welcome challenges – go for our new intensive Russian Immersion Course! This is a great option if you are highly motivated, hard-working, and interested in an intensive study process with quick progress in a short time!

Taking into consideration a **high intensity of the course with up to 55 individual lessons per week.** Together with the school, you will compose the most advantageous individual study schedule. We will evenly distribute the intensity of all study days throughout the study period. You have the privileged possibility to **choose lessons to be taken on the weekend or even during public holidays.** Thus, requiring just a week from the office, amazing, isn't it?

This gives you an excellent opportunity to start studies on any day of the week. What is more – you will freely and effectively use the weekends to fully immerse into the intensive Russian language. Therefore, you will learn Russian fast and rapidly to reach your linguistic goals.

Additional Information

Besides the classes in the school, you may request some lessons to be taken outside the classroom for the practical Russian language use in real situations. Also performing a task assigned by your teacher like:

- Hotels: room availability, booking, services provided
- The Central Station: transportation, directions, tickets, schedule, transfers
- Car showroom: cars, technical specifications, terms of leasing
- Shopping center: goods, prices, fabric composition, clothes
- Restaurants: social language, dishes, food composition, cost, payment

Therefore you benefit from practicing your Russian in an informal way, receiving an individual approach. You have to pay for all entrance fees, tickets, food and drinks for both parties (you and your teacher).

During the intensive Russian Immersion course, you will focus exclusively on your individual linguistic needs. You will noticeably improve all your Russian language skills. Even after one week of the intensive Russian Immersion course, you will see a great difference in your Russian language skills!

The course is suitable for: corporate clients, CEO or any high profile individual

Minimum lesson number: 30 lessons in 7 days or less within a week;*

Price includes the possibility to have up to 28% of lessons to be held on weekends or public holidays;

Starting dates: any day of the year;

One lesson: 50 minutes;

Levels: all levels

*Optionally chosen amount of lessons can be taken in fewer days than indicated above

Prices:

30 lessons: 1495 EUR; 35 lessons: 1645 EUR; 40 lessons: 1870 EUR; 45 lessons: 2025 EUR; 50 lessons: 2250 EUR; 55 lessons: 2475 EUR;

5. Business Russian, Music or Literature module

- Business Russian
- Russian Music
- Russian Literature
- General Russian course
- TRKI / TELC Exam preparation
- Russian for Military

You can book these individual modules for the whole year, starting every Monday. The Telc exam preparation course starts on set dates. You can only book modules in addition to any Group or Individual course. To sum up, the modules consist of 5 lessons in the afternoons, lessons usually take place twice a week from 13.30 to 15.45.

Russian Language Plus Individual Module

1. The **Business Russian** module, focusing on the language for everyday business situations, is ideal for professionals who need to expand their vocabulary. This course is especially useful in marketing and sales. Certainly, it helps to improve your ability to build and establish successful relationships with Russian business partners. For example, Business Russian courses concentrate on customer and bank service, companies, stock exchange, insurances, marketing, sales, finance, etc. Furthermore, by practicing the use of Russian grammar, listening, writing, and reading tasks, you will develop confidence in communicating by learning language through realistic business situations. Your teachers are experienced professionals specialized to teach Russian as a foreign language using the highly effective communicative approach. In conclusion, you will definitely enjoy your studies and the professional, yet friendly environment during your lessons.

Minimum level for Business Russian: A2

2. Choosing the **Russian Music** module you will expand your vocabulary with both poetic and modern slang by listening to famous Russian songs of the 20th century, starting from folk songs and ballads up to rock and pop music.

Minimum level for Russian Music: A2

3. The **Russian Literature** module focuses on classical and modern Russian literature. Reading and discussing Tolstoy, Dostoevsky, Pelevin, and many other renowned and popular writers will bring you

closer to the mysterious Russian soul. Therefore, the Russian Literature Module offers you a better insight into the Russian literary world.

Minimum level for Russian Literature: B2

General information:

Minimum enrollment: 1 week;

Lessons per module: 5;

Fee per module: 240 EUR (2+ modules: 210 EUR per module)

6. Russian for Military

"Russian for Military" is a new course, developed as a result of increased demand for effective military communication in Russian. This course is both stimulating and wide-ranging in its content. It focuses specifically on the language and communication needs of military personnel. For example, cadets, sergeants, military officers, diplomatic staff, civil servants, government employees, etc.

The school developed a special 5 module course – taught on an Individual or Closed Group basis, designed to provide you with confidence in your ability to communicate in Russian, expand vocabulary for discussing military and peacekeeping issues. Moreover, it will help enable military persons to function effectively in a variety of target situations. These situations include a better understanding of Russian culture, traditions, and history. Each module provides a balance of vocabulary, pronunciation and specific purpose skills.

Additional information

You can choose a module based on your Russian language skill level and needs. The Russian for Military course takes place in the afternoons. Students who wish to maximize the effectiveness of their time spent in Latvia can also take Standard Russian courses (20 lessons per week) taught daily in the mornings. These courses cover all aspects of the language and aim to develop students' communicative efficiency in the shortest possible time.

General info:

Minimum level: B1+ (lower level – upon request) Modules offered: 5, lessons per module – 10 Minimum enrolment: 1 module per week Maximum number of modules per week: 2

Module No 1.

The **Basic Module** of Russian for Specific Purposes provides a motivating opportunity to learn the basics of Russian military language for the A2/B1 levels. It is designed for cadets and privates and includes real issues of army life. The module encloses such topics as geography and transport, training and routine, uniform and subordination.

Topics: phonetic Russian alphabet, countries and nationalities, ranks, military transport, training principles, activities, daily routine, weapons, military discipline, military uniform, subordination, and badges.

Module No 2.

The **Organization and Fitness Module (Module No 2)** of Russian for Specific Purposes is an impelling possibility to continue studying Russian military language for the A2 / B1 levels. It is provided for privates and sergeants and is directed onto the understanding of the Russian army structure and self-defense without weapons. The module includes such topics as ranks and units, ration, exercises, illnesses, and first aid.

Topics: a career in the army, military ranks and service decorations, army units and branches, parts of the body, food and rations, physical exercises, fitness and equipment, obstacle course, illnesses and diseases, and first aid.

Module No 3.

The **Technologies Module** (**Module No 3**) of Russian for Specific Purposes is the next step in mastering Russian military language for the A2/B1 levels. It is provided for privates and officers and includes the technical side of any military. The module encloses issues such as engineering and construction, transport and gadgets, and armor and maintenance.

Topics: engineering, alignments and positions, buildings and constructions, vehicles, aircrafts, ships, gadgets, armor, breakdown and crashes, and vehicle maintenance.

Module No 4.

The **Missions Module** of Russian for Specific Purposes is the final step in this course for the A2/B1 levels. It is designed for privates and officers and prepares the usage of Russian in real missions. **Topics:** peacekeeping: history and current events, peacekeeper qualities, defending and demining, countries and nationalities, culture and customs, escorting and conveying, humanitarian aid, route and traffic signs, radio and telephoning, patrol and patrol kits.

Module No 5.

The **Training Module** of Russian for Specific Purposes is an inspiring opportunity into more intensively learn Russian military language at the A2/B1 levels. It is designed for privates, sergeants, and officers and covers training on the side of army life. The module answers such questions, such as military history and alliances, schools and exercises, Russian culture and customs, and map signs and rescuing. **Topics**: NATO history, alliances (countries and nationalities), eastern military alliances, military schools, military exercises, landscape, map signs, culture and customs, and rescues.