Course Descriptor

Title of the course	Russian as a Foreign Language. Level A2		
Title of the Academic Programme	All Bachelor's & Master's Programs		
Type of the course	Optional course		
Prerequisites	Russian language proficiency equivalent to A1		
ECTS workload	8		
Total indicative study hours	Directed Study	Self-directed study	Total
	144 hours	160 hours	304 hours
Course Overview	The course is aimed at building general language skills necessary for successful everyday communication and social interaction in Russian within the A2 (basic) level of language proficiency.		
Intended Learning Outcomes (ILO)	 Knowledge of essential phonetic and pronunciation rules, word stress and intonation patterns; noun, pronoun and adjective declension system; verb conjugation, tense and aspect forms; verb and preposition government: imperative forms; cardinal and ordinal numerals; basic syntactic structures of simple sentences (statements, questions and commands/requests), compound and complex sentences with relative, object and adverbial clauses; vocabulary that enables using Russian in everyday conversation and social interaction (about 1300 lexical items). Ability to start/join a conversation meet and greet, take leave, thank, apologise, congratulate, ask to repeat, express wishes and requests, agree and disagree/refuse, allow, forbid, express intention, promise, doubt, advice, invitation, etc. understand spoken utterances in everyday conversation; ask questions about facts, events, persons, things, their presence/absence, qualities and features, possession, place, time, reason and purpose; adequately answer questions; read, understand and retell simple texts; write simple narrative and descriptive texts; translate simple texts from/into Russian 		
Indicative Course Content	Speaking and listening topics: Meet and greet. At school and in class. My day. At work. Weekend. Eating out. My family. Health. Getting about the town. Travelling and sightseeing. Hobbies. Shopping.		
Teaching and Learning Methods	The course consists of practical classes/tutorials (144 hours), which include speaking and listening, grammar, reading and writing		

	assignments. Teaching methods used include explanatory and illustrative methodologies and interactive conversation exercises based on students' involvement in teamwork and individual activities.	
Indicative Assessment Methods and Strategy	Students' progress will be measured by homework assignments, class participation and test results, which together amount to 50% of the final grade and a final exam (50% of the final grade).	
Indicative Learning Resources	 Беликова Л.Г., Шутова Т.А. Русский язык: Первые шаги. Част. 2. СПб., 2016. (Belikova, L.G., Shutova, T.A. Russian: First Steps Part 2. St Petersburg, 2016) Эсмантова Т.Л. Русский язык: 5 элементов: уровень А. (базовый). СПб, 2013. (Esmantova, T. L. Russian: 5 elements. A. (Basic Level). St Petersburg, 2013. Ягодова А.А. Класс! Учебный комплекс по русскому языку дл. иностранных учащихся. А 2.1. СПб, 2017. (Yagodova, A.A. Klass A Russian Language Course for International Students. A2. Part I St Petersburg, 2017) 	
	4. Ягодова А.А. Класс! Учебный комплекс по русскому языку для иностранных учащихся. А 2.2. СПб, 2017. (Yagodova, A.A. Klass! A Russian Language Course for International Students. A2. Part 2. St Petersburg, 2017).	