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C Russian Studies 6

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School of International Studies

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General Information

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Credit points
10

Prerequisites
RUSS2210

Corequisites

Co-badged status
RUSS3020

Unit description
In this unit students develop their ability to follow complex lines of argument in spoken and written texts in Russian in a range of genres and to identify and extract key information. The unit focuses on practicing skills in expressing and defending sophisticated arguments and opinions and employing strategies to understand and respond to unfamiliar material in preparation for applying language knowledge to social and professional situations. Students will use their judgement in decision-making around communicative tasks (written, oral, spontaneous and prepared) in meaningful everyday contexts.

Important Academic Dates

Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at https://www.mq.edu.au/study/calendar-of-dates

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

ULO1: Develop comprehensive intermediate level skills in reading, writing, listening and speaking in the Russian language.

ULO2: Identify, describe and evaluate a broad range of aspects of Russian-speaking cultures and societies.

ULO3: Identify, evaluate and deploy a broad range of grammatical structures of Russian at intermediate level.

ULO4: Create meaningful intercultural encounters by applying relevant language conventions.

ULO5: Demonstrate a refined awareness of language and language use, in both Russian and in English.

General Assessment Information

Rubrics and indicative samples are provided in iLearn as additional guidance on standards of achievement for different assessment types. All assessment tasks are compulsory and must be submitted on time. Assignment tasks handed in early will not be marked and returned before the due date. Late Assessment Submission Penalty Unless a Special Consideration request has been submitted and approved, a 5% penalty (of the total possible mark) will be applied each day a written assessment is not submitted, up until the 7th day (including weekends). After the 7th day, a mark of, 0 (zero) will be awarded even if the assessment is submitted. Submission time for all written assessments is set at 11.55 pm. A 1-hour grace period is provided to students who experience a technical issue. This late penalty will apply to non-timed sensitive assessments (incl essays, reports, posters, portfolios, journals, recordings, etc). Late submission of timesensitive tasks (such as tests/ exams, performance assessments/presentations, scheduled practical assessments/labs, etc) will only be addressed by the unit convenor in a Special consideration application. Special Consideration outcome may result in a new question or topic.

Written test

The purpose of the test is to check students' knowledge of all aspects of grammar and vocabulary that they learn. The test will be conducted online.

Final test

Students have to demonstrate their knowledge and engagement with the material explained during the session. The first part of the test will be conducted online. The second part of the test will be conducted via Zoom (for external students) and in class (for internal students).

Oral test

Students have to prepare a short talk (approximately 5 minutes) on a topic of their choice related to Russian-speaking cultures and societies. Students will be assessed on their presentation, as

well as their ability to answer follow-up questions. Following the speech, students will be asked to translate sentences from English into Russian based on the grammar and vocabulary of the Unit.

Participation

Students have to demonstrate their knowledge and engagement with the material explained during the session. Students are expected to spend time on a daily review of grammar and vocabulary. Students should be familiar with and feel comfortable with each week's content before starting a new week. The mark is based on evidence of preparation for on-campus classes through demonstrating understanding and knowledge of the learning material or evidence of preparation for classes by doing a quiz based on the material explained during the semester.

Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Hurdle	Due	Groupwork/Individual	Short Extension	AI Approach
Active Participation	10%	No	Ongoing		No	
Written test	20%	No	18/09/2025		No	
Final test	25%	No	23/10/2025		No	
Oral test	45%	No	30/10/2025		No	

Active Participation

Assessment Type [1]: Participatory task
Indicative Time on Task [2]: 24 hours
Due: **Ongoing**
Weighting: **10%**
Groupwork/Individual:
Short extension [3]: No
AI Approach:

Active participation to set activities is required for all students. Students will be expected to have revised the course materials and engage with the activities set out in the iLearn unit on a regular basis.

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- Develop comprehensive intermediate level skills in reading, writing, listening and

speaking in the Russian language.
- Identify, describe and evaluate a broad range of aspects of Russian-speaking cultures and societies.
- Identify, evaluate and deploy a broad range of grammatical structures of Russian at intermediate level.
- Create meaningful intercultural encounters by applying relevant language conventions.
- Demonstrate a refined awareness of language and language use, in both Russian and in English.

Written test

Assessment Type [1]: Quiz/Test
Indicative Time on Task [2]: 2 hours
Due: **18/09/2025**
Weighting: **20%**
Groupwork/Individual:
Short extension [3]: No
AI Approach:

The purpose of the test is to check students' knowledge of all aspects of grammar and vocabulary that they learn throughout the semester. This will be a part of regular seminar time.

On successful completion you will be able to:
- Develop comprehensive intermediate level skills in reading, writing, listening and speaking in the Russian language.
- Identify, evaluate and deploy a broad range of grammatical structures of Russian at intermediate level.
- Demonstrate a refined awareness of language and language use, in both Russian and in English.

Final test

Assessment Type [1]: Quiz/Test
Indicative Time on Task [2]: 2 hours
Due: **23/10/2025**
Weighting: **25%**
Groupwork/Individual:
Short extension [3]: No
AI Approach:

The purpose of the test is to check students' knowledge of all aspects of grammar and vocabulary that they learned throughout the semester. This test will be conducted online.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Develop comprehensive intermediate level skills in reading, writing, listening and speaking in the Russian language.
- Identify, evaluate and deploy a broad range of grammatical structures of Russian at intermediate level.
- Demonstrate a refined awareness of language and language use, in both Russian and in English.

Oral test

Assessment Type [1]: Presentation
Indicative Time on Task [2]: 2 hours
Due: **30/10/2025**
Weighting: **45%**
Groupwork/Individual:
Short extension [3]: No
AI Approach:

For the oral test, students have to prepare a three-minute talk on a topic of their choice. Students will be assessed on their presentation, as well as their ability to answer follow-up questions. This will be a part of regular seminar time.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Develop comprehensive intermediate level skills in reading, writing, listening and speaking in the Russian language.
- Identify, describe and evaluate a broad range of aspects of Russian-speaking cultures and societies.
- Identify, evaluate and deploy a broad range of grammatical structures of Russian at intermediate level.
- Create meaningful intercultural encounters by applying relevant language conventions.
- Demonstrate a refined awareness of language and language use, in both Russian and in English.

[1] If you need help with your assignment, please contact:

- the academic teaching staff in your unit for guidance in understanding or completing this type of assessment
- Academic Success for academic skills support.

[2] Indicative time-on-task is an estimate of the time required for completion of the assessment task and is subject to individual variation.

[3] An automatic short extension is available for some assessments. Apply through the Service Connect Portal.

Delivery and Resources

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Login is via: https://ilearn.mq.edu.au/

Is my unit in iLearn?: http://help.ilearn.mq.edu.au/unitsonline/ to check when your online unit will become available.

Technology

Students are required to have regular access to a computer and the internet. Mobile devices alone are not sufficient. The preferred operating system is Windows 10. • For technical support go to: http://mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/informatics/help

• For student quick guides on the use of iLearn go to: https://students.mq.edu.au/support/ study/ tools-and-resources/ilearn/ilearn-quick-guides-for-students

Students are required to access the online unit in iLearn by the end of Week 1 and follow any relevant instructions and links for downloads that may be required.

Policies and Procedures

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from Policy Central (https://policies.mq.edu.au). Students should be aware of the following policies in particular with regard to Learning and Teaching:

- Academic Appeals Policy
- Academic Integrity Policy
- Academic Progression Policy
- Assessment Policy
- Fitness to Practice Procedure
- Assessment Procedure
- Complaints Resolution Procedure for Students and Members of the Public
- Special Consideration Policy

Students seeking more policy resources can visit Student Policies (https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/policies). It is your one-stop-shop for the key policies you need to know about throughout your undergraduate student journey.

To find other policies relating to Teaching and Learning, visit Policy Central (https://policies.mq.edu.au) and use the search tool.

Student Code of Conduct

Macquarie University students have a responsibility to be familiar with the Student Code of Conduct: https://students.mq.edu.au/admin/other-resources/student-conduct

Results

Results published on platform other than eStudent, (eg. iLearn, Coursera etc.) or released directly by your Unit Convenor, are not confirmed as they are subject to final approval by the University. Once approved, final results will be sent to your student email address and will be made available in eStudent. For more information visit connect.mq.edu.au or if you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

Academic Integrity

At Macquarie, we believe academic integrity – honesty, respect, trust, responsibility, fairness and courage – is at the core of learning, teaching and research. We recognise that meeting the expectations required to complete your assessments can be challenging. So, we offer you a range of resources and services to help you reach your potential, including free online writing and maths support, academic skills development and wellbeing consultations.

Student Support

Macquarie University provides a range of support services for students. For details, visit http://students.mq.edu.au/support/

Academic Success

Academic Success provides resources to develop your English language proficiency, academic writing, and communication skills.

- Workshops
- Chat with a WriteWISE peer writing leader
- Access StudyWISE
- Upload an assignment to Studiosity
- Complete the Academic Integrity Module

The Library provides online and face to face support to help you find and use relevant information resources.

- Subject and Research Guides
- Ask a Librarian

Student Services and Support

Macquarie University offers a range of Student Support Services including:

- IT Support
- Accessibility and disability support with study
- Mental health support
- Safety support to respond to bullying, harassment, sexual harassment and sexual assault
- Social support including information about finances, tenancy and legal issues
- Student Advocacy provides independent advice on MQ policies, procedures, and processes

Student Enquiries

Got a question? Ask us via the Service Connect Portal, or contact Service Connect.

IT Help

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/information_technology/help/.

When using the University's IT, you must adhere to the Acceptable Use of IT Resources Policy. The policy applies to all who connect to the MQ network including students.

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