



ITMO UNIVERSITY

Saint Petersburg, Russia

# Summer School in the Russian Language and Interdisciplinary Studies 2020

**BUILD UP YOUR OWN SCHOOL**



**July 1 – August 4, 2020**

# At a glance

July 1 – August 4, 2020

Tuition fee:  
1 week – €200,  
2-5 weeks –  
€150 per week.



School venue:  
Lomonosova Street 9,  
St. Petersburg



Application deadline:  
April 19, 2020  
and May 24, 2020\*



Application  
requirements:  
open for everyone



Credits:  
1 week – 2 ECTS



Discount available for a group of 10 people and more.

\* For citizens of the EU, Denmark, Norway, China, India, Japan, Iran, Latin American countries, and Iceland

18+

# How to apply

## 1



### Application

- Choose from 1 to 5 summer modules (1 module = 1 week)

- Fill in an online application form

- E-mail the following documents to the ITMO coordinator
  - passport copy
  - photo 3\*4
  - academic transcript

Apply by April 19 or May 24\*

## 2



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### Admission

- Receive confirmation of admission and personal learning agreement within 10 days after the application submission

## 3



### Payment

- Pay for tuition online by June 1, 2020

- Visit the payment page

- Enter your learning agreement's number and valid e-mail

- Proceed with payment in Russian rubles

## 4



### Accommodation

- Book your own accommodation or indicate your preferences in accommodation offered by ITMO by May 31

## 5



### Visa

- Receive your visa invitation letter from ITMO by e-mail

- Contact the nearest Russian Embassy or Consulate to start the visa application process

## 6



### Arrival

- Let the ITMO coordinator know your trip details

- Get assigned to an ITMO student who will pick you up at the airport, bus or train station

- Register with us at Lomonosova Street 9 the next business day after arrival

\* May 24 – for citizens of the EU, Denmark, Norway, China, India, Japan, Iran, Latin America, and Iceland.

# Russian Language Modules for Beginners (0) and Elementary Learners (A1)

**Russian for Tourists**

**July 1-7, 2020**

The course will help you master communication skills, as well as ask for directions in the city in Russian, buy tickets in museum box offices, purchase souvenirs, make orders in restaurants and do many other exciting things. After this course, you will no longer be afraid of the Cyrillic alphabet and will be able to read and write in Russian!

**Quest "St. Petersburg: Following the Footprints of Russian Cultural Heritage"**

**(in Russian and English) July 8-14, 2020**

The Quest focuses on St. Petersburg's magnificent art, history, and architecture and includes a lot of outdoor activities. Students will follow the routes of Russian writers, composers and artists to search for the quiz answers throughout the city's hidden spots. In the process, the course's participants will create their own cultural map of Russian and Soviet Art in the context of today's world.

**General Course** July 15–21, 2020

This course will help you acquire basic knowledge of the Russian language and practice all the main skills at the same time. It naturally combines grammar, vocabulary and cultural aspects.

**Quest “Literary St. Petersburg: a Guide to a Renamed City”** July 22–28, 2020

(in Russian and English)

The Quest is designed to help you explore a wide range of genres in Russian literature, such as fiction, poetry, drama, essays, autobiographies, history, and diaries. Participate in exciting outdoor activities, find answers to the quiz questions and create a cultural map of the city.



# Russian Language Modules for Pre-Intermediate (A2) and Intermediate (B1) Learners

## 1. General Course July 1-7, 2020

This course is designed to help you deepen your knowledge of the Russian language and practice all the main skills simultaneously. It combines grammar, vocabulary and cultural aspects.

## 2. Quest "St. Petersburg: Following the Footprints of Russian Cultural Heritage"

Follow the routes of Russian writers, composers and artists, search for the quiz answers throughout St. Petersburg's hidden spots and create your own cultural map of Russian and Soviet Art.

## 3. Conversational Russian

This conversational course is designed to help you immerse yourself in a Russian-speaking environment and start speaking Russian easily and with pleasure.

## 1. Cases of Russian Language July 8-14, 2020

This course will help you quickly grasp the grammatical forms of certain cases, as well as their meanings and usage examples.

## 2. Russian Phraseology

This course will help you familiarize yourself with Russian traditions, customs, and mentality and make it easier for you to speak and understand Russian.

## 3. Russian Culture

Learn a lot about Russian culture, St. Petersburg, as well as Pushkin, Dostoyevsky, Akhmatova and other famous Russian figures by visiting their apartments that have been turned into museums and walking around the center of the Northern Capital.

### 1. Corrective Course

July 15–21, 2020

This course offers a series of workshops covering the most complicated aspects of Russian grammar and aimed at helping students improve certain language skills.

### 2. Quest “Literary St. Petersburg: a Guide to a Renamed City”

The Quest examines fiction, poetry, drama, essays, history, and diaries through outdoor activities. Students find answers to the quiz questions and create a cultural map of the city.

### 3. Russian Video

Familiarize yourself with the way Russians speak and learn more about Russian history and culture while watching movies and videos made in the USSR and Russia.

### 1. TORFL-1 Preparation Course

July 22–28, 2020

The course will help you determine your actual language level and prepare for the test of Russian as a Foreign Language (TORFL).

### 2. Russian Theater

This course revolves around contemporary Russian drama. Its program may include plays by N. Kolyada, O. Mukhina, V. Sygarev, P. Pryazko, and I. Vyrypaev.



# Russian Language Modules for Experienced Learners (B2-C2)

## 1. Politics and Diplomacy

July 1-7, 2020

The course is dedicated to modern Russian statehood, its political structure, formation of civil society institutes, interaction with international organizations, such as the UN, BRICS, WTO and the EU.

## 2. Cases of Russian Language

This course will help you quickly grasp the grammatical forms of certain cases, as well as their meanings and usage examples.

## 3. Quest "St. Petersburg: Following the Footprints of Russian Cultural Heritage"

Follow the routes of Russian writers, composers and artists, search for the quiz answers throughout St. Petersburg's hidden spots and create your own cultural map of Russian and Soviet Art.

## 1. Corrective Course

July 8-14, 2020

This course offers a series of workshops covering the most complicated aspects of Russian grammar and aimed at helping students improve certain language skills.

## 2. General Course

This course is designed to help you deepen your knowledge of the Russian language and practice all the main skills simultaneously. It combines grammar, vocabulary and cultural aspects.

## 3. Modern Literature

Explore how the main social, political and cultural developments of Russia (the 1950s-2010s) were reflected in modern Russian literature, music, cinematography, and art.



## 1. Conversational Russian

July 15-21, 2020

This conversational course is designed to help you immerse yourself in a Russian-speaking environment and start speaking Russian easily and with pleasure.

## 2. Russian in the Media

The aim of this course is not only to let students know about the specific language used in the Russian media world, but also to review the Russian media, read articles, watch videos and take part in discussions.

## 3. Quest "Literary St. Petersburg: a Guide to a Renamed City"

The Quest examines fiction, poetry, drama, essays, history, and diaries through outdoor activities. Students find answers to the quiz questions and create a cultural map of the city.

## 1. TORFL-2 Preparation Course

July 22-28, 2020

The course will help you determine your actual language level and prepare for the test of Russian as a Foreign Language (TORFL).

## 2. Russian Rock

Familiarize yourself with Russian rock music bands and their creative work and see the places where rock culture was born in Russia. Listen to their songs and learn Russian grammar, understand idioms and images!

## 3. Russian History

The mysterious Russian soul is a mix of pagan superstitions, orthodox dogmas, fearlessness and humility at the same time. The course is a fascinating trip through the centuries and political regimes.



# Interdisciplinary Modules on Sustainable Development

## 1. Bio&Art: Biomaterials in Art

July 8-14, 2020

Learn about the aesthetic potential of microbial cellulose (MB), vegetal fibers and philosophical implications of working with leaking, growing, hybrid bodies in artistic practice that stands against climate change. Compare laboratory protocols and DIY techniques for cultivating *G. hansenii* and investigate the aesthetic and design potential of MB. Develop innovative ideas and address issues of sustainability, ethics, and aesthetics of working with living organisms.

## 2. Digital Humanities

The school examines the way data affects society, raises critical questions about cultural data, its interpretation and visualization. The school comes to grips with programming, data analysis and visualization. The program includes workshops and lectures delivered by invited experts in the field of data mining basics, Python programming, metadata analysis and visualization.

## 1. Science Communication: Climate Communication and Sustainability

July 8-14, 2020

The school covers the basics of science communication and interaction between science and media in the framework of sustainable development and climate change. The participants of the school will analyze popular science texts and learn how to make research understandable to a broad audience. They will gain confidence in communication skills, understand how to promote a research via media and science events, and how to speak about controversial scientific issues to the general public.

## 1. Science Communication in Life Sciences

July 22-28, 2020

The school fosters participants' communication and research skills by introducing them to the basics of science communication and its interaction with media. The School's participants will listen to science podcasts, learn more about science visualization and storytelling, as well as discuss immunization, vaccination and other topics related to Life Sciences. Gain confidence in communication efforts, learn to promote a research via media and science events, and speak about scientific issues to the general public.

## 1. Bio&Art: Migration of Microorganisms

July 29 – August 4, 2020

The school revolves around the topic of movement and migration. People move around the world, shifting their identities and cultural traditions. Sometimes, migration happens beyond people's control, as a result of war or natural disasters. The school teaches how to cultivate *Physarum polycephalum* in Petri dishes and collect the electrical activity of organisms. Students will discuss such important topics as migration and identity and talk about migration in Russia.

## 2. Digital Humanities

The school presents the way data affects society, raises critical questions about cultural data, its interpretation and visualization. The school comes to grips with programming, data analysis and visualization. The program includes workshops and lectures delivered by invited experts in the field of data mining basics, Python programming, metadata analysis and visualization.



# Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<b>June 29</b> Airport pick-up	<b>June 30</b> Registration	<b>July 1</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00	<b>July 2</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00 Field trip 14:00 – 18:00	<b>July 3</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00	<b>July 4</b> Hermitage tour or Hop-on/hop-off bus tour around St. Petersburg	<b>July 5</b> Free day
<b>July 6</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00	<b>July 7</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00 Final project 14:00 – 18:00	<b>July 8</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00	<b>July 9</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00 Field trip 14:00 – 18:00	<b>July 10</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00	<b>July 11</b> Free day or Russian Cuisine Workshop	<b>July 12</b> Free day
<b>July 13</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00	<b>July 14</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00 Final project 14:00 – 18:00	<b>July 15</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00	<b>July 16</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00 Field trip 14:00 – 18:00	<b>July 17</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00	<b>July 18</b> Hermitage tour or Hop-on/hop-off bus tour around St. Petersburg	<b>July 19</b> Free day
<b>July 20</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00	<b>July 21</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00 Final project 14:00 – 18:00	<b>July 22</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00	<b>July 23</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00 Field trip 14:00 – 18:00	<b>July 24</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00	<b>July 25</b> Free day or Russian Cuisine Workshop	<b>July 26</b> Free day
<b>July 27</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00	<b>July 28</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00 Final project 14:00 – 18:00	<b>July 29</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00	<b>July 30</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00 Field trip 14:00 – 18:00	<b>July 31</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00	<b>August 1</b> Hermitage tour or Hop-on/hop-off bus tour around St. Petersburg	<b>August 2</b> Free day
<b>August 3</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00	<b>August 4</b> Classes 10:00 – 13:00 Lunch 13:00 – 14:00 Final project 14:00 – 18:00	<b>August 5</b> Departure	<b>August 6</b> Departure	<b>August 7</b> Departure	<b>Contacts:</b> <b>Organizational questions:</b> ITMO International Admission Office Ms. Ekaterina Rassolenko e.rassolenko@itmo.ru <b>School content questions:</b> Russian as a Foreign Language Schools Coordinator Assoc. Prof. Dr. Julia Sutuginiene sutuginiene@itmo.ru schools.itmo.ru int.itmo.ru	