

Central Eurasian Studies

Intermediate Estonian II

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This course is a continuation of Intermediate Estonian I. The focus will be increasingly on syntax in addition to morphology, the already familiar forms as well as those introduced will be learned from the perspective of their function in sentence and communicative purpose. The exercises on forms will be mainly assigned as independent home-work, class-time will be spent on conversation and communicative tasks. By the end of the course the students will have an overview of the structure of Estonian. They will be able to carry on a conversation on everyday topics, handle routine interpersonal and service encounters, express their ideas and talk about experiences. The students will have started independent reading of authentic texts, such as children's stories, short articles and daily news. One Estonian classic feature film will be viewed for close comprehension.

Required texts and materials:

M. Pesti, H. Ahi. *E nagu Eesti*. TEA, Tallinn 1998.

A.Kihulane, T.Kärema *Tere Tallinn!* (comic book) Koolibri, Tallinn 2003.

Selections from the books available from the instructor: M. Pesti, H. Ahi. *T nagu Tallinn*. TEA, Tallinn (in press). M. Sooneste. *Vestlusi. (Conversations)*. Tallinn 1998; E.Niit. *Pille-Riin*. Tallinn 2003,

J. Tuldava. *Estonian Textbook*. Bloomington, Indiana 1994

Course materials posted by the instructor on Oncourse.

Suggested texts and materials

Estonian-English and English–Estonian dictionaries, available online, from the library and IU bookstore.

Assignments

Assignments include class attendance and participation, oral and written homework, daily journals, guided independent reading, midterm exam, final exam.