

U101-102 Elementary Ukrainian I-II

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Class meetings: Monday-Friday
03:35 PM – 04:40 PM
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Course description:

This course is designed to develop students' proficiency in all skills (speaking, reading, writing, and listening) and to get acquainted with Ukrainian culture. There are no separate lectures and recitations. Emphasis is placed on communicative competence - active use of new speech models and structures in dialogues reading, free conversation, and listening comprehension. Although the use of English as a language of instruction is inevitable, the instructor will try to intensify the use of Ukrainian in class.

Textbook:

Robert A. DeLossa et al. 2004. *Розмовляймо! Let's talk!: A Basic Ukrainian course with Polylogs, Grammar, and Conversation Lessons*
Additional materials will be distributed in class.

Attendance

Successful language learning is a cumulative process which requires diligent preparation and active participation. For this reason, it is imperative that you attend class regularly and to arrive prepared and on time. Each day that you are absent will not only seriously affect your participation grade, but will also affect your performance on tests, quizzes, and homework. By missing class or coming to class unprepared, you are less likely to learn the material, you will be unable to participate fully in that day's lesson, you will require increasingly more time to do your homework, will be unable to achieve your own language learning goals, and will deprive your classmates of opportunities to learn as well. With each absence your participation grade will be seriously affected.

Excused absences include death in the family, military orders, religious holidays, or an excuse from your doctor.

Participation

All students are expected to participate voluntarily in daily classroom activities. Participation grade will be based upon, though not restricted to, the following criteria: your preparation for the class, the use Ukrainian in class, your willingness to actively participate, your involvement in group work, and your cooperation with your instructor and your peers.

Homework

Homework (written and/or oral) will be assigned for every class meeting. Do your homework each day and be prepared to turn it in. Since completing homework

assignments reinforces what you have covered in class that day, prepares you for the next day's class activities, and identifies gaps in your understanding, it is crucial to complete it the day that it is assigned. Therefore for every day that an assignment is late, 10% is taken off its grade. If homework is submitted more than three days late, no credit will be given for it.

Tests and exams

There will be a number of lesson tests, based on themes, vocabulary, and grammar covered. The mid-term and final exams will be focused on grammar, vocabulary, reading, writing, and listening comprehension.

The final grade will be based on the following criteria:

Class participation – 20%

Written homework – 20%

Lesson tests – 20%

Mid-term – 20%

Final exam – 20%

Grading scale

98+	A+	88-89	B+	78-79	C+	68-69	D+
94-97	A	83-87	B	73-77	C	65-67	D
90-93	A-	80-82	B-	70-72	C-	0-64	F

Consultations

Students are encouraged to consult the instructor about any questions regarding our course. Do not hesitate to ask for help as soon as you suspect there may be a problem!