



# ENGLISH AND ANOTHER FOREIGN LANGUAGE (RUSSIAN)

Programme type
Field of study
Study area
Degree
Duration

Bachelor's studies (university)
Humanities
Linguistics
Bachelor in Humanities
4 years (8 semesters)

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Workload 240 ECTS
Language of instruction English and Russian

Location Vilnius, Lithuania
Starting date 1st of September
Tuition fee 2474 EUR/year

#### PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

# The objective

The programme develops the student's written and spoken communication skills in English (C1) and Russian (B2) essential for a successful career. The curriculum includes a variety of courses aimed to help students develop their language skills as well as advanced skills in the fields of linguistic research and intercultural communication.

Career opportunities

The international labour market needs highly qualified linguists with a good command of two foreign languages (English – level C1 according to the CEFR¹ and Russian – level B2).

The programme allows its students to build successful careers in a wide variety of fields including international business, tourism, and public service. Our graduates find employment as translators, mediators, proofreaders, language advisors, lexicographers, digital copywriters, web content managers, and public servants. They can also go into publishing, marketing, working for national and local newspapers, (internet) television and radio, etc.

### Access to further studies

Graduates of the programme will be able to pursue Master's degree at universities in Lithuania or abroad. The graduates interested in teaching can choose a post-diploma study programme in pedagogy (ESL).

#### **KEY LEARNING OUTCOMES**

Graduates of "English and another foreign language (Russian)" will be able to:

- analyse the systems of English and Russian languages from various perspectives (e.g., phonetics, morphology, and syntax);
- fluently communicate at an advanced level in English (C1–C2) and Russian (B2): produce written and spoken texts in English and Russian in different situations;
- successfully apply English for Specific Purposes (ESP) and Academic English knowledge and skills while writing reports, reviews, research papers etc.;
- interpret the historical and cultural background of both English-speaking countries and Russia;
- demonstrate skills in the fields of text analysis, translation and intercultural communication;
- carry out linguistic research.

#### **COURSE INFORMATION**

The programme has the following structure:

Course Type	1st Semester	2nd Semester	3rd Semester	4th Semester
Obligatory course units	Modern English I (5 ECTS)	Modern English II (5 ECTS)	Modern English III (5 ECTS)	Modern English IV (5 ECTS)
	English Phonetics and Morphology I (5 ECTS)	English Phonetics and Morphology II (5 ECTS)	English Lexicology and Lexicography (5 ECTS)	English Syntax (5 ECTS)
	Modern Russian I (10 ECTS)	Modern Russian II (10 ECTS)	Modern Russian III (5 ECTS)	Modern Russian IV (5 ECTS)
	Russian Phonetics and Morphology I (5 ECTS)	Russian Phonetics and Morphology II (5 ECTS)	Russian Morphology (5 ECTS)	Russian Lexicology and Lexicography (5 ECTS)
	Introduction to Linguistics (5 ECTS)	Introduction to Germanic Linguistics (5 ECTS)		Introduction to Slavonic Linguistics (5 ECTS)
				Academic Writing (5 ECTS)
Optional course units			General University Studies (GUS) <sup>2</sup> (10 ECTS)	
Course Type	5th Semester	6th Semester	7th Semester	8th Semester

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> GUS courses are offered for choosing individually from the list of the courses on the University's website.

Obligatory course units	Modern English V (5 ECTS)	English for Specific Purposes (5 ECTS)	Final Thesis Seminar (5 ECTS)	Final Bachelor Thesis (15 ECTS)
	Modern Russian V (5 ECTS)	Russian for Specific Purposes <b>(5 ECTS)</b>	English Stylistics (5 ECTS)	
	Russian Syntax (5 ECTS)	Term Paper (5 ECTS)	Russian Stylistics (5 ECTS)	
	Translation Theory and Introduction to Text Editing (5 ECTS)	Practical Seminar on Translation (10 ECTS)	19th–21st century Russian Literature (5 ECTS)	
Optional course units	Cultural History of Great Britain / Cultural History of the USA / Intercultural Communication etc. (5 ECTS)	Seminar in English Linguistics / Digital Storytelling / English Literature (18 <sup>th</sup> –19 <sup>th</sup> c.) / Introduction to Psycholinguistics etc. (5 ECTS)	History of Russian  Culture /  Introduction to  Lingua-cultural  Studies (5 ECTS)	Internship: Translation / Corpus Linguistics / Intercultural Communication (15 ECTS)
	General University Studies (GUS) (5 ECTS)		Corpus Linguistics / Introduction to Cognitive Linguistics / Linguistic Semantics / Psycholinguistics etc. (5 ECTS)	

### **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

A Bachelor degree requires a total of 240 ECTS including the student's major study field, a range of optional courses offered by the Faculty and the University, an internship (15 ECTS) and a bachelor thesis based on empirical linguistic research (20 ECTS).

#### **TEACHING AND LEARNING METHODS**

Teaching methods include (interactive and classical) lectures, seminars, group work, peer assisted learning, tutorials, workshops, and independent work. Seminars are held using the student-centred approach to learning such as mind mapping/ brainstorming, group discussions, group projects, and presentations (individual, paired and group).

Students have internship at the university and professional placement outside the university (in translation bureaus, publishing houses, editorial offices, etc.).

The preparation of the final thesis paper focuses on empirical linguistic research.

# **EXAMINATION AND ASSESSMENT REGULATIONS**

The main form of assessment is an examination. Every course unit is concluded with a written or written-oral examination.

Students' language proficiency, subject content knowledge and general performance during the examination are assessed by using the grading scale from 1 (very poor) to 10 (excellent).

Oral presentations, take-home essays, active participation in seminars and projects are also used to measure your performance throughout the course.

#### **APPLICATION AND SELECTION REQUIREMENTS**

Matura (school leaving) certificate:

English proficiency not lower than level B2 according to the CEFR, prior to admission, all applicants will need to provide certified copies of their academic CAE, PET, IELTS, TOEFL IbT, TOEIC, LRN or IELCA results or other documents:

Russian proficiency not lower than A2 according to the CEFR.

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# WHY ENGLISH AND ANOTHER FOREIGN LANGUAGE (RUSSIAN) STUDIES AT VILNIUS UNIVERSITY?

The English and Another Foreign Language (Russian) programme is based on a student-centred approach. It fosters the student's learning motivation, develops his/her competencies necessary in order to meet the needs of social and personal development, both local and global labour market. It also helps the student to acquire general and subject-specific competencies compatible with the bachelor's degree and be prepared for further studies or work.

Vilnius University is a classical university with 440 years of academic traditions and the widest range of study programmes in Lithuania. The university offers an academic environment focused on excellence in research and teaching. Vilnius University is 1st in Lithuania according to national ranking. It is also among 1.5 percent of top universities and among the best 250 universities in the world in the field of linguistics according to the QS World University Rankings by Subject.

Geographically Lithuania is located at the crossroads between East and West. Both Vilnius and Vilnius University from the very first days of their foundation have been multinational and multilingual. Vilnius, the capital of Lithuania, is a multicultural city, the centre of political, economic, cultural and intellectual importance. The Vilnius Old Town is included in the UNESCO World Heritage List in recognition of its universal value and originality, as one of the most beautiful cities of the Old Continent with the largest Baroque old town in Eastern and Central Europe.

# **INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY**

Students can participate in ERASMUS+ mobility or other exchange programmes. That gives an excellent opportunity to study at Vilnius University Partner Universities for 1 or 2 semesters or do internship abroad.