

# INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS OF QR37 ENGLISH AND RUSSIAN

PROGRAMME SPECIFIC INFORMATION, PRELIMINARY READING LIST  
AND INDUCTION TIMETABLE FOR FIRST YEAR STUDENTS 2015/16

**All students take 120 credits in total each year.**

## **POST A-LEVEL AND NATIVE SPEAKERS OF RUSSIAN**

All post A-Level and native speakers of Russian will be registered for **90 credits** of compulsory and core English and Russian modules. You will need to choose **30 credits** of English modules to complete your module registration.

## **AB INITIO STUDENTS OF RUSSIAN (PRELIMINARY YEAR)**

Students with no prior knowledge of the Russian language will enter the Preliminary Year of Russian and only register for:

**Introductory Russian**

**120 Credits Full Year**

**Ab initio students will not study any English modules this year.**

Full information regarding the modules you have to take is listed in the programme regulations here:

[http://www.sllf.qmul.ac.uk/sites/default/files/users/filesusersname/programme-regs/2015/QR37\\_English\\_and\\_Russian\\_2015.pdf](http://www.sllf.qmul.ac.uk/sites/default/files/users/filesusersname/programme-regs/2015/QR37_English_and_Russian_2015.pdf)

You will also need to consult these regulations in subsequent years.

Further details about the SLLF modules and what they entail can be found in the full version of our Module Directory which you can access here:

<http://www.sllf.qmul.ac.uk/qmplus>

Further details about the English modules and what they entail, including instructions on how to submit your option choices, are provided by the School of English and Drama (see below).

## Preliminary Reading List

### **ENGLISH**

If you are starting your first year in English and Drama in September 2015, please check the information for new students on the School of English and Drama website:

[www.sed.qmul.ac.uk/english/undergraduate/newstudents/index.html](http://www.sed.qmul.ac.uk/english/undergraduate/newstudents/index.html)

Here you'll find information about Welcome Week activities, module choices and any preliminary reading that you might need.



## RUSSIAN

### Ab Initio Students of Russian

- *The Oxford Russian Dictionary* (English-Russian and Russian-English), 3<sup>rd</sup> edition, Oxford 2000 (or more recent). Smaller dictionaries are of no use
- Terence Wade *A Comprehensive Russian Grammar*, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition, (2011)
- The textbook will be sold in class.

### Post A Level Students of Russian

At the very least, students are expected to possess a good bilingual dictionary, a good monolingual dictionary, a grammar book and the core module books. As your expertise in Russian increases, you will find that using a monolingual (i.e. Russian-Russian) dictionary becomes indispensable, and we encourage you to familiarise yourself with such dictionaries as soon as possible.

#### Bilingual Dictionaries

- *The Oxford Russian Dictionary* (English-Russian and Russian-English), 3<sup>rd</sup> edition, Oxford 2000 (or more recent) Smaller dictionaries are of no use

#### Monolingual Dictionary

- *Tolkovyi slovar' russkogo iazyka*, S.I. Ozhegov and N.Iu. Shvedova, pp. 3-955, hardback, 1997 or later.

#### Grammar

- Terence Wade *A Comprehensive Russian Grammar*, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition (2011)

### RUS070 Landmarks in Russian Literature Required Literature:

Nikolai Karamzin, "Бедная Лиза" [Poor Liza]  
Alexander Pushkin, "От издателя" [From the Publisher], "Станционный смотритель" [The Stationmaster], in *Tales of the Late Ivan Petrovich Belkin* [Повести Белкина], "Барышня-крестьянка" [The Squire's Daughter], "Выстрел" [The Shot] in *Tales of the Late Ivan Petrovich Belkin* [Повести Белкина]  
Gogol, "Шинель" [The Overcoat]  
Fiodor Dostoevskii, *Записки из подполья* [Notes from the Underground]  
Anton Chekhov, *Дядя Ваня* [Uncle Vanya]  
Maksim Gorky, *На дне* [Lower Depths]  
Mikhail Bulgakov, *Собачье сердце* [The Heart of Dog]

For historical background, students should start reading a general introduction to Russian history, such as Gregory Freeze, ed., *Russia: A History*, Oxford, 1997 and Richard Pipes, *Russia Under the Old Regime*, London: Weidenfeld and Nicolson, 1974.



You should also start any of the following general books about Russian literature:

- Hingley, Ronald. *Russian Writers and Society, 1825-1904*, London: Weidenfeld & Nicolson, 1967.
- Jones, Malcolm V. and Robin Feuer Miller (eds). *The Cambridge Companion to the Classic Russian Novel*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1998.
- Kelly, Catriona. *Russian Literature: A Very Short Introduction*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2001.
- Moser, Charles A. (ed.). *The Cambridge History of Russian Literature*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1989.

### **Bookstore**

In London, Russian books can be purchased at Grant and Cutler at Foyles, 113-119 Charing Cross Road, tel. 020 7734 2012

**Full reading lists for individual modules (including options) will be distributed at the start of term.**

**Please see below for your Welcome Week schedule.**

**WELCOME WEEK MEETINGS FOR STUDENTS OF ENGLISH AND RUSSIAN**

**SCHOOL OF LANGUAGES LINGUISTICS AND FILM-  
NEW UG STUDENTS WELCOME WEEK PROGRAMME  
SEPTEMBER 2015**

**PLEASE NOTE THIS TIMETABLE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE UP UNTIL 20  
SEPTEMBER**

DAY/TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	WHO?- Students
<b>MONDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2015</b>			
am	International Student Welcome programme	see International Student Welcome Programme	All international first year students
13.00 - 14.00	Check-in. Receive Welcome pack	Drapers Lecture Theatre, Geography Building	All first year students (13.15)
14.00 - 15.00	Welcome to SLLF- talks from Head of School, Adrian Armstrong; Head of Administration, Jill Evans; Student Experience Manager, Rosine Smyrl; Student Union Buddy Scheme, Kreepa Mehta	Drapers Lecture Theatre, Geography Building	All first year students
15.00	Campus Tours for new UG students, led by SLLF 2nd and Final year Buddies	depart from Drapers Lecture Theatre	15.00=All first year students except Hispanic Studies 16.00=All first year Hispanic studies students
<b>TUESDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2015</b>			
am	International Student Welcome programme	see International Student Welcome Programme	All international first year students
13.00 - 14.30	School of English and Drama Welcome talk and QMPlus Demo	Skeel Lecture Theatre, Peoples Palace	All first year joint honours students with English Literature or Drama
14.00 - 15.00	Welcome to the Russian Department	Bancroft Building, room 326	All First year students of Russian: single of joint honours

17.00 - 19.00	Welcome to SLLF Barbeque	in the courtyard near the back entrance of the ArtsOne building	all first year students, full or joint honours with SLLF, SLLF Buddies, SLLF PASS mentors
WEDNESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2015			
10.30 - 11.30	ENROLMENT FOR SLLF NEW STUDENTS	ENROLMENT CENTRE, QUEENS BUILDING OCTAGON	ALL FIRST YEAR OR NEW SLLF STUDENTS
14.00 - 17.00	First Year Students individual meetings with Academic Advisers - Introduction, confirm module selection, personal welcome	Adviser's offices	All first year students, according to your individual appointments agreed with Advisers at Departmental Meeting
THURSDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2015			
10.00 - 12.30	UG VITAL INFORMATION meeting for all first year students - SLLF QM+ Landing Page, Student handbook, introduce quiz, SLLF UG Student Info area, introduce assignment submission, PASS, Student Services, Library, Extenuating Circumstances, writing support, academic skills support, other languages	Drapers Lecture Theatre, Geography Building	All first year students, full or joint honours with SLLF NOTE: IF YOU HAVE A LAPTOP, TABLET, OR MOBILE COMPUTING DEVICE, PLEASE BRING IT ALONG WITH YOUR QMUL IT LOGIN DETAILS
17.00 - 21.00	School of Business and Management Social event for joint honours SBM students	See SBM induction materials for details	all first year SLLF students with Business Management as part of their degree
FRIDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 2015			
16.30 - 17.30	School of English and Drama Drinks reception and Social	Bancroft Building room 113 and 113a	All joint honours students with English Literature or Drama

Tours of the Library will run every day during Welcome Week. Please sign up for a tour of the Library.

You will need to attend ALL of the above sessions. If you have any problems with this timetable, please contact the department on:

Email: [slf-ug@qmul.ac.uk](mailto:slf-ug@qmul.ac.uk) Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/QMULSLLF> Twitter: <https://twitter.com/slfqmul> .

Looking forward to seeing you in September.