

RL72 RUSSIAN AND POLITICS information guide 2017 (2017 ENTRY)

PROGRAMME SPECIFIC INFORMATION, PRELIMINARY READING LIST
AND INDUCTION TIMETABLE FOR FIRST YEAR STUDENTS 2017/18

All students take 120 credits in total each year.

All students will be registered on **90 credits** of compulsory and core Russian and Politics modules. You will need to choose **30 more credits** of Politics modules to complete your module registration.

Full information regarding the modules you have to take and the options you can choose is listed in the programme regulations here: http://slf.qmul.ac.uk/media/slf-migration/slf/RL72_Russian_and_Politics_2017.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:

<https://qplus.qmul.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=4516>

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

Preliminary Reading Lists

RUSSIAN

RUSSIAN YEAR 1 preliminary reading list

RUSSIAN LANGUAGE

Ab Initio Students of Russian 2017

- Anna Kudyma, Frank Joseph Miller, Olga Kagan *Beginner's Russian with Interactive Online Workbook* (2010)
- Terence Wade *A Comprehensive Russian Grammar*, 3rd edition, (2011)
- Terence Wade, David C. Gillespie *Russian Grammar Workbook* (2012)
- *The Oxford Russian Dictionary* (English-Russian and Russian-English), 3rd edition, Oxford 2000 (or more recent). Smaller dictionaries are of no use

Post A-Level / Post-Preliminary Year Students of Russian 2017

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), 3rd 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, is available online, but you can purchase a hard copy if you prefer.

Grammar

- Terence Wade *A Comprehensive Russian Grammar*, 3rd edition (2011)
- Terence Wade, David C. Gillespie *Russian Grammar Workbook* (2012)

RUS4048 Foundations of Russian Studies (compulsory module for post A-Level /post-Preliminary Year students in 2017. 2017-entry ab initio students will take this module in Year 2)

- 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]
- Alexander Pushkin, selected poems ("К***", "Пророк", "Поэт", "Анчар")
- Fedor Tiutchev, selected poems ("Весенняя гроза", "Летний вечер", "Silentium!", "Сон на море", "Тени сизые смешались")
- Anton Chekhov, *Дядя Ваня* [Uncle Vanya]
- Mikhail Bulgakov, *Собачье сердце* [Heart of a 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.

POLITICS

Please refer to the School of Politics and International Relations welcome information which they will have sent you already.

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

Please see below for your Welcome Week schedule for the Russian part of your degree. For the Politics part, you will receive information directly from them. Please attend all sessions for both Schools.

**SCHOOL OF LANGUAGES LINGUISTICS AND FILM- NEW UG STUDENTS
WELCOME WEEK PROGRAMME SEPTEMBER 2017**

Russian

PLEASE NOTE THIS TIMETABLE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE UP UNTIL 18 SEPTEMBER

DAY/TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	WHO?- Students
MONDAY 18 SEPTEMBER			
13.00	Check-in. Receive Welcome pack	Mason Lecture Theatre, Bancroft Building	All first year SLLF Students- single or joint honours
13.30 to 15.00	Welcome to SLLF- talks from Head of School, David Adger; Head of Administration, Jill Evans; Student Experience Manager, Rosine Smyrl	Mason Lecture Theatre, Bancroft Building	All first year SLLF Students- single or joint honours- PLEASE BRING YOUR SMART PHONE if you have one
14.30- 15.15	Campus Tours for new UG students led Student Ambassadors	depart from Masons Lecture Theatre (Bancroft Building)	All first year SLLF Students- single or joint honours
TUESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER			
10.00 - 11.00	Welcome to the department of Modern Languages	ArtsOne Lecture Theatre, ArtsOne building	All first year students of languages (French, Russian, German, Spanish, Catalan, Portuguese)
11.00 - 11.45	Welcome to students taking Russian	ArtsOne Lecture Theatre, ArtsOne building	All First year students of Russian: single or joint honours; all levels
15.00 - 16.00	ENROLMENT FOR SLLF NEW STUDENTS	ENROLMENT CENTRE, QUEENS BUILDING OCTAGON	ALL FIRST YEAR OR NEW SLLF STUDENTS who have not already enrolled

17.00 - 19.00	Welcome to SLLF Barbeque	in the courtyard near the back entrance of the ArtsOne building (or in the foyer of ArtsOne if it's raining)	all first year students, full or joint honours with SLLF, second and final year students welcome
WEDNESDAY 20 SEPTEMBER			
10.00 - 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 Meetings
THURSDAY 21 SEPTEMBER			
14.00 - 17.00	UG VITAL INFORMATION SESSION for all first year students - SLLF QM+ Landing Page, Student handbook, SLLF UG Student Info area, introduce assignment submission, PASS, Student Services, Library, Extenuating Circumstances, writing support, academic skills support, other languages, Student's Union	Great Hall, People's Palace (next to front of the Queen's Building)	All first year students, full or joint honours with SLLF NOTE: IF YOU HAVE A LAPTOP or TABLET PLEASE BRING IT. Also, please bring your smart phone if you have one. You'll need your QM login details.

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 Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/QMULSLLF> Twitter: <https://twitter.com/sllfqmul> .

Looking forward to seeing you in September.