

**Communicating in Russian, II**  
**RU A115-01, - 36/ HR A288-01, - 36**

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**Class Meetings:** M W F      **Lab** M 2:10-3:00 pm      **RH 331**

**Materials:** *“Golosa, Book 1 and Book 2* by R. Robin et al.

Video course from “Live from Moscow” by Dan Davidson et al.

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**Course description:** Introduction to the basic structures of Russian continued. Russian A 115 constitutes the second in the series of three beginning-level semesters of *Communicating in Russian*. As in Ru-A110, the emphasis of the course will be on the development of the communicative competence and the increase of the awareness of the Russian culture.

**Course objectives:** to achieve the following levels of skills according to Russian Proficiency Guidelines: Speaking and Listening - Novice-High; Reading and Writing - Novice-High. (See the separate hand out entitled “Proficiency-Level Goals RU 115”)

**Course Format:** conversations, discussions of grammar, drills, role-plays and field trips.

**Guidelines:**

In order to achieve the objectives of the course in an effective and successful manner, students are expected to:

- a) **Attend** class and lab sessions regularly and **participate** vigorously in all aspects of the class. This is crucial to the students’ success because language acquisition is developed by constant exposure and practice. **Attendance and participation is 10% of the final grade.** More than 3 absences (except for emergencies) will automatically result in the loss of half-grade (e.g., “A” to “B+”).
- b) **Be prepared** for class. Students are responsible for learning the vocabulary and for reading and studying the grammar points in the chapter. Any homework must be handed in on the due date. **Homework is 10% of the final grade.**
- c) **Assesment:** there will be five chapter exams during the semester that include an oral interview, listening and reading comprehension and grammar, Midterm exam, and Final exam (Oral and Written).

**Grading:**

Chapter exams	40%	<b>Grades:</b> 92-100	A
Attendance and participation	10%	86-92	B+
Homework	10%	80-85	B
Midterm exam	10%	76-80	C+
Final exam	20%	70-75	C
Final oral interview	10%	65-70	D
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