

Приложение
к рабочей программе учебной дисциплины,
реализуемой на английском языке

Russian Studies (None-degree)

Degree program (code and name)

Bachelor (semester program)

Level of qualification (bachelor, master, specialist)

Soviet and Contemporary Russian History (XXth century)

Course (code and name)

ECTS credits	5
Workload: total/contact/independent	180/90/90
Duration (1 semester/ 1 year)	1 semester
Semester/trimester when the course is delivered (fall, spring)	Fall
Study place / Location (Arkhangelsk, Severodvinsk, Korvazhma)	Arkhangelsk
Responsible institute and chair	Institute of Humanities and Social and Political Sciences
Responsible chair / department	Department of Russian History
Language of instruction	English
Mode of study (full time, part time)	full time
Type of course unit (compulsory, optional, elective)	compulsory
Mode of delivery (face-to-face, blended, distance learning)	face-to-face
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Course overview / general description

This module presents a survey of the Russian history from 1917 to the early 2000s. It includes an overview of the main issues related to the history of the Soviet Union and post-Soviet Russia: the causes and the character of the 1917 Russian Revolution, the impact of the revolution on the economy, society, and culture of Russia; building of a planned economy in the early 1930s and the societal upheavals connected with Stalin's centralization of power; Stalin's terror; the Soviet experience of the Second World War and factors contributing to the Soviet victory over Nazi Germany; the emergence of the Soviet Union as a superpower in the postwar period; political, social, and cultural shifts in the 1950s-1980s;

everyday life of the Soviet people; the collapse of the Soviet Union in 1991; the development in contemporary Russia and the ways the Soviet experience influences the present.

Learning outcomes

The main aim of the course is to enable students to identify the central political, economic, social, and cultural phenomena in the history of the Soviet Union and post-Soviet Russia, and relate them to broader themes, as well as to comprehend the relationship between government and society in the Russian past and present.

Course contents

Lecture 1. Soviet Russia: The Beginning.

Lecture 2. Civil War and the New Economic Policy.

Lecture 3-4. The Stalin Era.

Lecture 5. The Great War and the Soviet Society.

Lecture 6-7. “Thaw” and “Stagnation”.

Lecture 8. The Soviet Union and the Cold War.

Lecture 9. Perestroika and the Fall of the Soviet Union.

Lecture 10. Soviet Culture and Society.

Lecture 11-12. Understanding Post-Soviet Russia.

Seminar 1-2: The phenomena of the Soviet Everyday Life.

Seminar 3: Soviet Experience and Contemporary Russia: Identities, Legacies, Memories.

Recommended previous knowledge:

At least one year of undergraduate studies, preferably within the field of social sciences, or the core courses of the Bachelor of Circumpolar Studies.

Assessment methods and criteria:

A 4-hour University-based, closed-book written examination. The grade will be on a scale from A to F, where F is a fail. The course allows the students the opportunity to re-sit their examination in the following semester.

Mandatory and recommended reading

- *MacKenzie, David & Curran, Michael*. Russia and the USSR in the Twentieth Century (Wadsworth, 2002) 4th edition.
- *Suny, Ronald Grigor*, The Structure of Soviet History: Essays and Documents (Oxford University Press, 2003).
- Seventeen Moments in Soviet History (archive of texts, images, maps, audio and video materials from the period of 1917-1991): <http://www.soviethistory.org/>
- *Everyday Life in Early Soviet Russia: Taking the Revolution Inside / Edited by Christina Kiaer*.
- *Field, Deborah*. Private Life and Communist Morality in Khrushchev’s Russia.
- *Fitzpatrick, Sheila*. Everyday Stalinism.
- *Johnston, Timothy*. Being Soviet: Identity, Rumour, and Everyday Life under Stalin, 1939-53
- *Kelly, Catriona*. Children’s World: Growing Up in Russia.

- *Raleigh, Donald*. Soviet Baby Boomers: An Oral History of Russia's Cold War Generation.
- *Roth-Ey, Kristin*. Moscow Prime Time: How the Soviet Union Built the Media Empire that Lost the Cold War.
- *Siegelbaum, Lewis*. Borders of Socialism: private Spheres in Soviet Russia.
- Stories of the Soviet Experience: Memoirs, Diaries and Dreams // Edited by *Irina Paperno*.