

The Centre of Slavic Languages and Cultures

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# THE BELARUSIAN LANGUAGE SUMMER SCHOOL IN MINSK





# WHO IS IT FOR?

**Summer school of Belarusian as a foreign language is suitable for those:**

- who don't know Belarusian at all, but who are eager to learn it for personal goals or for work
- who have studied Belarusian and would like to master their knowledge to communicate with their family, colleagues or friends
- who are interested in Belarusian culture, customs and traditions
- who study different languages as their occupation (scholars of language, like philologists and linguists)
- who are engaged in comparative philology and/or Slavic studies
- who adore studying new languages, visiting new countries and making new friends all over the world.

# WHAT WILL YOU LEARN TO DO?

You will learn spoken Belarusian and you will have an opportunity to practice it not only with our tutors but also with native speakers. As is well known, immersion experience is the most effective way to study a new language.

Besides knowledge, you will participate in different master classes with our guests (like singing, drawing/ painting, cooking, playing and many other interesting activities).

With a guide you will be able to see different unique sights of Belarus. The guide speaks Belarusian as well as English. In the end, you will have a marvellous time together with different people from all over the world!





# THE COURSE IN DETAIL:

Our school prefers to use a communicative approach in teaching.

You will be able to learn lots of words with the help of different methods and techniques and later use all the vocabulary in communication and during master classes.

▲ We assure you that you will never face any monotony or boredom during the course! Just fascinating material, inspiring activity games and lots of communication with the other school participants in Belarusian.

The studies are designed in such a particular way that you learn a maximum amount of the necessary information without getting tired.

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## THE COURSE

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The course consists of 60 academic hours (a two-week course), or 80 academic hours (a three-week course).



## COMFORT

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At the first lesson all the school participants will have a test to identify their level of language skill and according to the test results will be appointed into an appropriate level group.



## LEISURE

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At the weekend (Saturdays and Sundays) trips outside the city and excursions over Belarus will be organized.



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The classes run 5 days a week, from Monday to Friday.

# 4+1

There are 4 hours of classes and a master-class per day

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The group consists of no more than 8 people.

# OUR TUTORS

Our tutors have field-specific (philological) education and wide experience of work with foreigners. Besides our tutors are sociable, energetic and modern, they always try to find an individual approach to each student.



**KATSIARINA  
DOSHCACHKA**

*I love the Belarusian language very much. While teaching I try to show all its beauty to my students. And I feel blissfully happy when I really manage to do it.*



**HANNA  
LAHOUSKAYA**

*I find it necessary to teach not only “barren” grammar patterns and vocabulary of a new language, but also to explain general cultural and historical context to my students.*



**ALINA  
AGRENICH**

*We'll trace the links between the languages we know and we'll try to understand the language instead of just swotting at a subject.*



**VOLHA  
KAVALSKAYA**

*I'm doing my best to encourage each student to have the desire to speak Belarusian, to show that everybody can express their thoughts in it and do it freely without any fear.*

# FACILITATORS

Besides the tutors our facilitators will assist you as well. They are also young and talented tutors of our school with a good knowledge of English.

You can ask them anything any time of day and night. Everything is developed to make you feel relaxed, comfortable and welcomed in a new/ host country.



**ALESYA  
PARAKHNYA**

*I will show you how to conquer the highest summit in Belarus in five seconds!*



**VOLHA  
KAVALSKAYA**

*I will show you Minsk from above and take you along the longest and the most beautiful avenue in the world. I will tell you where the most delicious coffee is and the coolest clubbing spot in the city is located.*



**MARIYA  
KOHNO**

*I will introduce you to the typical day of a Belarusian and show you around the most attractive places where young people hang out.*



**VOLHA  
KVALENKA**

*I will show you all the stylish cafes in Minsk and tell you about the national dishes of the Belarusian cuisine.*





## CLASSROOMS

The classrooms are situated in the centre of Minsk and are equipped with all the necessary facilities for studies.



## ACCOMODATION

Hotel-like twin rooms (double rooms) in the very centre of Minsk.



## MEALS

Breakfast and lunch in a student café are not far from your accommodation.



## **EXCURSION PROGRAMME**

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- An excursion “Informal Minsk”
- Museum site “Dudutki”
- Mir – Nyasvizh
- Navagrudak
- Vyazanka (a picnic)
- A trip to Prudyi
- Others!

## **INFORMAL WALKINGS**

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Besides that, our facilitators will show you around the most important places for young people: cinemas, cafes, bars and many others.





# FEEDBACK



**NIKKI  
GRANT**

*Before doing summer Russian school at the Center of Slavic Languages and Cultures, I knew virtually nothing about Belarus, but afterwards it felt like a second home! In classes we learned about Belarusian history and culture, in addition to going on excursions to some of the main sites around Minsk like the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, the Red Church, the Island of Tears, and various museums and monuments. I even got to see where Lee Harvey Oswald lived when he was in Minsk! I was also able to see other parts of the country through trips to the Białowieża Forest near Brest and the open air Dudutki museum.*

*When it came to language instruction, the teachers and staff were all very warm and helpful, and treated you like a friend. In general being in Minsk is very close to being in a full Russian immersion environment because few people are fluent in English, unlike in other large Russian-speaking cities like Moscow.*

*In addition to this great learning environment, classes Center allowed me to get individualized help and tutoring in the areas of Russian I was struggling with. Overall, thanks to the summer school, I now I feel a lot more confident in my skills, and I feel like I have a second home overseas!*



**MICHAEL  
DORMAN**

*"Minsk's School of Slavic Languages and Cultures provided an amazing immersion language learning experience! Through the schools unique teaching methods, I was able to go from a beginner to an intermediate level speaker in just two months.*

*For anyone thinking about studying a Slavic language abroad, the School of Slavic Languages and Cultures is one of the best values in the region and offers the most effective language learning method I have encountered."*

# THE COST

## a two-week course

09.07.2018 – 22.07.2018

**370\$**

Studies + cultural (entertainment)  
programme

**570\$**

Studies + cultural (entertainment)  
programme + accommodation + meals

## a three-week course

09.07.2018 – 29.07.2018

**480\$**

Studies + cultural (entertainment)  
programme

**780\$**

Studies + cultural (entertainment)  
programme + accommodation + meals

# WHAT DO YOU NEED TO PARTICIPATE?

Aged 18 and over

Our school arranges the invitation to get a visa after you pay a non-refundable deposit

Your level of the Belarusian language competence is not important

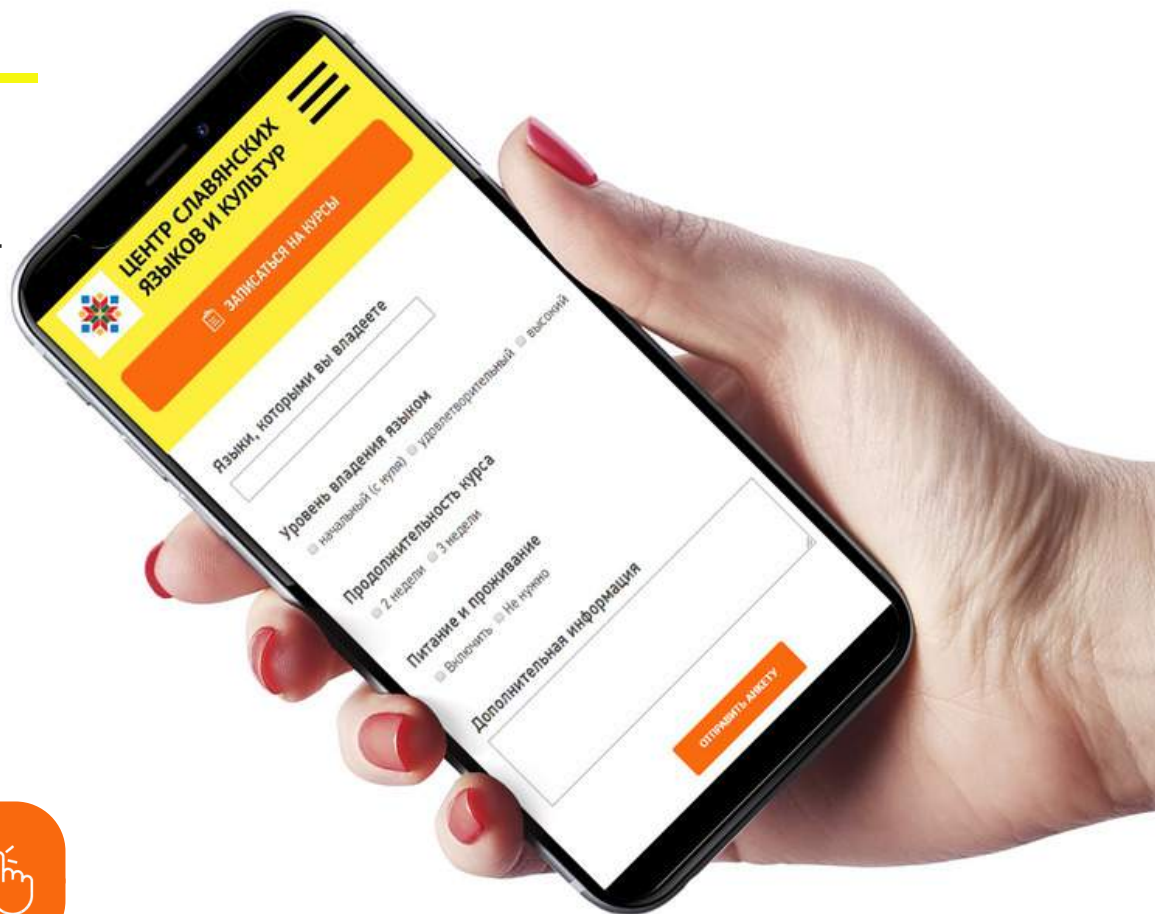
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# APPLY NOW

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Fill in an application form online and reserve yourself a place!

We will contact you and inform you about all the details.



Fill in the application form 





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