

Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian I (A005465)

Course size *(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)*

Credits 10.0 **Study time** 300 h

Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2023-2024

A (semester 2)	Dutch	Gent	independent work seminar
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Lecturers in academic year 2023-2024

Moravcevic, Slobodanka	LW21	staff member
Troch, Pieter	LW21	lecturer-in-charge

Offered in the following programmes in 2023-2024

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Bachelor of Arts in East European Languages and Cultures	10	A
Preparatory Course Master of Arts in East European Languages and Cultures	10	A

Teaching languages

Dutch

Keywords

Serbian/Croatian/Bosnian, linguistics, language acquisition

Position of the course

This basic course is aimed at providing the students with a structural knowledge of Serbian/Croatian/Bosnian grammar and aims at building up basic stock of vocabulary. The CEFR level is A2.

Contents

Basic grammar and structures and vocabulary are taught through reading exercises and classical language training.
The course uses both a classical and interactive approach in order to develop basic language skills in reading-comprehension, listening-comprehension, writing and conversation.

Initial competences

Basic knowledge of Russian (recommended, not compulsory)

Final competences

- 1 Elementary knowledge of Serbian/Croatian/Bosnian grammar
- 2 Understanding familiar words and basic sentences
- 3 Reading short, simple texts. Retrieving information from simple everyday texts and understanding simple personal letters.
- 4 Using simple phrases and sentences to talk about everyday topics. Asking and answering simple questions.
- 5 Writing a short, simple tekst
- 6 To get acquainted with the culture in the broadest sense of the word through language.
- 7 Reading short, simple texts about concrete topics of direct interest (shopping, family, personal data, etc.). Information to be found in everyday texts; understand simple, personal letters.

Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is unrestricted: the student takes into consideration the conditions mentioned in 'Starting Competences'

Conditions for exam contract

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

Teaching methods

Seminar, Independent work

Extra information on the teaching methods

Seminar: Language acquisition and practice in class.

Independent work: Regular studying of the material and preparation of homework are necessary.

Learning materials and price

Textbook: *Učimo srpski I*. N. Miličević Dobromirov, B. Novković Adžaip. Estimated costs: 30€.

References

Additional teaching material:

- *Srpskohrvatsko-nizozemski bazični rečnik*. Jelica Novaković Lopusina
- *Basiswoordenboek Nederlands-Servokroatisch*. Jelica Novaković Lopusina
- *Gramatika srpskohrvatskog jezika za strance*. Pavica Mrazović and Zora Vukadinović

Course content-related study coaching

Specific questions can be asked during the lecturer's office hours.

Assessment moments

end-of-term and continuous assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the first examination period

Oral assessment, Written assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the second examination period

Oral assessment, Written assessment

Examination methods in case of permanent assessment

Skills test

Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment

examination during the second examination period is possible in modified form

Extra information on the examination methods

Periodical evaluation (60%):

The exam consists of:

- a written part (grammar, reading, listening and writing);
- an oral part (speaking).

Non-periodical evaluation (40%):

Regular monitoring of the student's progress via intermediate tests, tasks and assignments. The monitoring is organised within three skills clusters: 1) grammar, 2) reading and writing skills, and 3) listening and speaking skills.

If the student has missed a written or oral assessment moment because of demonstrable, substantial reasons (e.g. illness), she / he will be offered the possibility of retake afterwards. If there were no demonstrable, substantial reasons, this possibility is excluded.

Calculation of the examination mark

The student needs to pass each of three skills clusters, non-periodical and periodical evaluation taken together:

- skills cluster 1: grammar (12% non-periodical and 20% periodical written exam);
- skills cluster 2: reading and writing skills (14% non-periodical and 20% periodical written exam);
- skills cluster 3: listening and speaking skills (14% non-periodical and 20% periodical written and oral exam).

The successful scores for permanent evaluation will be transferred to the second examination period. If a student does not participate in the evaluation or receives less than 10/20 for one of the parts, she/he can no longer pass the entire course. If the average final score is a grade of ten or more out of twenty, this will be reduced to the highest unsuccessful grade (9/20).

Facilities for Working Students

1. No possibility of exemption from attendance.

2. No possibility for exam at other time

3. Possibility for feedback by appointment

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