

National Research Mordovia State University (MRSU)	
Faculty of Foreign Languages	
S Y L L A B U S	
Course Name	Practical Course of the First Foreign Language
Degree Programme	Specialist's Degree (Track “Linguistic Support of Interstate Relations”)
Year of Study	3 year
Semester	Spring
ECTS (36 hrs per ECTS)	7 (252 hrs)
Instructor(s)	<u>Prof. Julia Chubarova</u> , Associate Professor, Department of Speech Theory and Translation, Faculty of Foreign Languages <u>Prof. Elena Vekhova</u> , Associate Professor, Department of Speech Theory and Translation, Faculty of Foreign Languages <u>Prof. Alexander Zlobin</u> , Associate Professor, Department of Speech Theory and Translation, Faculty of Foreign Languages
Language of Instruction	Russian, English, German, French
Course Requirements	At least B2 English/German/French Previously studied courses "Practicum on the Culture of Verbal Communication of the First Foreign Language", "Practical Course of Special Translation of the First Foreign Language (from Russian into a Foreign Language)", "Practical Course of Interpretation of the First Foreign Language".
Course Overview	The course is intended for undergraduate students interested in intercultural communication in its linguistic, subject and activity forms. The course takes into account the stereotypes of thinking and behavior in the cultures of the languages being studied. The required level of Russian is up from B2+
Learning Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formation of skills for the implementation of interlingual and intercultural interaction based on knowledge in the field of geography, history, political, economic, social, religious and cultural life of the studied countries, as well as knowledge of their role in regional and global political processes in oral and written form in Russian and foreign languages ; • Formation of a system of linguistic knowledge about the main phonetic, lexical, grammatical, word-formation phenomena, spelling and punctuation, about the patterns of functioning of the studied foreign language, its functional varieties ; • Formation of skills aimed at creating and understanding oral and written texts in the studied foreign language in relation to the main functional styles in the official and informal spheres of communication.

Course unit contents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weeks 1-6. Lexical Features of the First Foreign Language (Part 6). Grammatical Features of the First Foreign Language (Part 6). • Weeks 7-11. Phonetic features of the First Foreign Language (Part 6). Communicative features of the First Foreign Language (Part 6). • Weeks 12-18. Stylistic features of the First Foreign Language (Part 6). Syntactic features of the First Foreign Language (Part 6). Sociocultural features of the First Foreign Language (Part 6).
Course Structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total number of contact hours: 183 • Lectures: - • Seminars: 180 hrs (90 seminars) Individual consultations: 2 hr • Self-study: 33 hrs

Teaching methods	Interactive lectures, discovery learning, cooperative learning, practical learning
Grading System (including segment percentage)	Student presentation (10%) Three course tests during the semester (60%) Final oral test (pass-fail) (30%)
Textbooks and Mandatory Reading	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acklam R., Burgess S. First Certificate Gold. Coursebook. – Longman Group Ltd., 2000. • Biber D. Longman Grammar of Spoken and Written English. – Longman Group Ltd., 2000. (LSWE) • Evans V., Edwards L. Upstream Advanced C1. Student’s Book. – Express Publishing, 2011. • Gomm H. Inside out. Teacher’s Book. Upper Intermediate. – Macmillan Publishers Ltd, 2001. • Harrison L. Inside Out. Upper-Intermediate. Video. Student’s Book. – Macmillan Publishers Ltd., 2001. • Mann Malcolm, Taylore-Knowles Steve. Skills for First Certificate. Listening and Speaking. – MacMillan, 2007. • Mann Malcolm, Taylore-Knowles Steve. Skills for First Certificate. Reading and Writing. – MacMillan, 2007. • O’Connell, S. First Certificate. Practice Tests with Guidance for the Revised Exam. – Longman Group Ltd., 2000. • Soars J., Soars, L. Headway. Student’s Book. Upper Intermediate. – Oxford University Press, 1993. • Stephens M. Practise Advanced Writing. – Longman Group Ltd., 1995. • Swan, Michael. Practical English Usage. – М.: Высш. школа, 1984. • Каушанская В.Л. Грамматика английского языка: Пособие для студентов пед. ин-тов. / Сост.: В.Л. Каушанская, Р.Л. Ковнер, О.Н. Кожевникова, Е.В. Прокофьева, З.М. Райнес, С.Е. Сквирская, Ф.Я. Цирлина. – 4 изд. – Л.: Просвещение, Ленингр. отделение, 1973. – 320 с. – На англ. яз. • Каушанская В.Л. и др. Сборник упражнений по грамматике английского языка: Пособие для студентов пед. ин-тов. / Сост.: В.Л. Каушанская, Р.Л. Ковнер, О.Н. Кожевникова, Е.В. Прокофьева, З.М. Райнес, С.Е. Сквирская, Ф.Я. Цирлина. – Изд. 3-е. – Л.: Просвещение, Ленингр. отделение, 1973. – 208 с. – На англ. яз. • Крылова И.П. Сборник упражнений по грамматике английского языка: Учеб. пособие для ин-тов и фак. иностр. яз. – 4 изд. – М.: Книжный дом «Университет», 2000. – 432 с. – На англ. яз. • Крылова И.П., Гордон Е.М. Грамматика современного английского языка: Учебник для ин-тов и фак. иностр. яз. / И.П. Крылова, Е.М. Гордон. – 5 изд. – М.: Книжный дом «Университет», 2000. – 448 с. – На англ. яз. • Практический курс английского языка: 3 курс: учебник для студентов вузов. / Под ред. В.Д. Аракина. – 4 изд., перераб. и доп. – М.: Гуманит. изд. центр «Владос», 2003. – 432 с. – На англ. яз.

Grading system		
Grade	No. of points	Description
5	86-91	Excellent
4	71-85	Good
3	51 - 70	Satisfactory
2	Below 51 point	Fail