

## Dear Students!

Welcome to our Russian Language Summer camp from July 9 until August 6, 2023! It will take place in Riga (Latvia) for the second time, organized by Universities of Fribourg, Basel, and Lausanne.

You can book your spot for one week of this course, from any Sunday to Sunday.

The classes take place from Monday to Friday from 9.00 till 13.00 with a break between lessons. You will be placed in the group according to your language level.

For those who are interested, there is an opportunity to prepare for the Russian TRKI certificate exam as part of the summer course, to take the exam, and to acquire the state-recognized Russian language certificate. This exam normally costs 80 euros, but the participants of our summer camp receive a significant discount (tbd)!

In the afternoon you have free time, or you can take part in our cultural program. This includes thematic tours, lectures, or meetings with experts and journalists.

Every week is dedicated to a special topic. On Saturdays, we organize full-day tours with lunch included.

We do our best to incorporate the nature attractions of Latvia into our program.

We will also provide additional activities according to the weather and mood (swimming, kayaking, cooking, etc.)



**The cultural program:  
(a preliminary selection)**

1) Latvia and the Livonian Order

Tuesday: lecture on medieval Latvia;

Thursday: walking tour of the "German" Riga;

Saturday: a full-day tour to Turaida Castle, lunch in the mansion, and a hike in Gauja National Park.

2) Holocaust in Latvia

Tuesday: visit to the Riga Ghetto Museum;

Thursday: visit to the Museum "The Jews of Latvia";

Saturday: a full-day tour to Jurmala, and a story about the fate of famous Jewish families living in Latvia at the beginning of the 20th century.

3) Literature in Latvia

Tuesday: guided tour "The Russian Classics and Latvia";

Thursday: meeting with a writer or a poet;

Saturday: a full-day tour to a well-known farm.

4) Cinema and Latvia

Tuesday: lecture about Soviet cinema in Latvia;

Thursday: walking tour of "Kino" Riga;

Saturday: a full-day tour to Cinevilla (we record our own short films!).

Also, we are planning to assign and guide students with projects about Russian language and history of Russian-speaking diaspora in Latvia.

**Accommodation:**

You stay in the city center in a building from the early 20<sup>th</sup> century.



Every student has a private, spacious room.

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Every apartment has 3-6 bedrooms, one kitchen, a living room, and 1-3 bathrooms depending on the number of rooms. Also, there is a dishwasher and a washing machine.

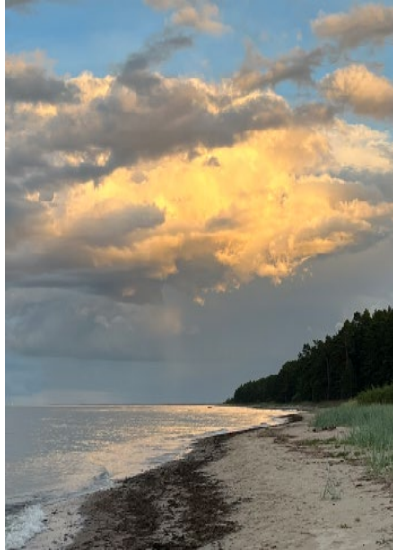
The teachers live in the same apartments. In this way, communication between all participants takes place all the time; we support each other with ideas and are open to spontaneous suggestions.



The price:

550 EUR p.p./per week (including accommodation + language classes + basic cultural program).

An extra charge of 50 euros per week may be required for longer tours.



Long bright days, wonderful nature, sea and pine trees,  
old and modern architecture, history and culture –  
we offer you the best of Latvian capital!

**We look forward to seeing you in our program!**

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