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PEOPLES FRIENDSHIP UNIVERSITY OF RUSSIA NAMED AFTER PATRICE  
LUMUMBA**

**RUDN University**

**COURSE SYLLABUS**

**TRANSLATION IN LEGAL SETTINGS: ADVANCED**

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course title

**Recommended by the Didactic Council for the Education Field of:**

**45.04.02 *Linguistics***

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field of studies / speciality code and title

**The course instruction is implemented within the professional education programme of higher education:**

**Translation and Interpreting for Public Services and Institutions**

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higher education programme profile/specialisation title

## 1. COURSE GOALS

The key objective of mastering the discipline (module) "Translation in Legal Settings: Advanced" is to improve the existing skills of translation and professional communication using written translation in the administrative-legal sphere. This objective can be reached by the solution of a number of tasks, such as the further polishing of linguistic and sociolinguistic skills, simultaneously developing logical and communicative structure of the administrative document in accordance with the norms and linguistic traditions of the languages used in translation.

## 2. REQUIREMENTS FOR LEARNING OUTCOMES

Mastering the course (module) Translation in Administrative Settings is aimed at the development of the following competences (competences in part)

Competence Code	Competence Descriptor	Competence formation indicators (within this course)
GPC- 5	Can carry out interlingual and intercultural interaction with native speakers of the target language in accordance with the rules and traditions of intercultural professional communication, the rules of speech communication in a foreign language society;	GPC 5.1 Knows the conventions of foreign community communication in diverse situational contexts
		GPC 5.2 Masters comprehensive tools for interlingual and intercultural interaction in line with the rules and traditions of intercultural professional communication with native speakers
PC-3	Can conduct expert and analytical activities, linguistic and cultural mediation, and translation in the administrative field	PC 3.1 Knows the specifics of cross-cultural interaction (based on a working language pair) in the administrative field
		PC 3.2 Masters the strategy and tactics of cross-cultural interaction (based on a working language pair) in the administrative field
PC- 4	Can carry out expert and analytical activities, linguocultural mediation and translation in the official business sphere	PC 4.1 Knows the specifics of cross-cultural interaction (based on a working language pair) in the business field
		PC 4.2 Masters the strategy and tactics of cross-cultural interaction (based on a working language pair) in the business field

## 3. THE COURSE (MODULE) IN HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

The course refers to the core/variable/elective\* component of (B1) block of the higher educational programme curriculum.

\* - Underline whatever applicable.

Within the higher education programme students also master other (modules) and / or internships that contribute to the achievement of the expected learning outcomes as results of the course study.

Table 3.1. The list of the higher education programme components/disciplines that contribute to the achievement of the expected learning outcomes as the course study results

Competence Code	Competence descriptor	Previous courses/modules*	Subsequent courses/modules*
GPC- 5	Can carry out interlingual and intercultural interaction with native speakers of the target language in accordance with the rules and traditions of intercultural professional communication, the rules of speech communication in a foreign language society;	Translator's Professional Ethics (in English)	Interpreting in Administrative–Legal Settings
PC-2	Can conduct expert and analytical activities, linguistic and cultural mediation, and translation in the legal field	Spealized Translation: Legal Settings	Interpreting in Administrative –Legal Settings
PC-3	Can conduct expert and analytical activities, linguistic and cultural mediation, and translation in the administrative field	Cross cultural communication and mediation	Specialised translation: administrative sphere
PC- 4	Can conduct expert and analytical activities, linguistic and cultural mediation, and translation in the business field	Translation in administrative-legal settings	Specialised translation: administrative sphere
PC-5	Can conduct expert and analytical activities, linguistic and cultural mediation, and translation in the healthcare field		Translation in administrative-legal settings: Advanced

#### 4. COURSE WORKLOAD AND ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

The course total workload is 5 credits and is taught in 2,3,4 modules

Table 4.1. Types of academic activities by periods for full time education

Types of academic activities		Total	Semesters/modules			
			7			
<i>Classroom activities in academic hours</i>						
Seminars/tutorials (C3)		36	36			
<i>Individual learning, academic hours.</i>		63	63			
<i>Assessment (exam/pass), academic hours.</i>		9	9			
<b>Total workload of the course/ module</b>	Academic hours	<b>108</b>	<b>108</b>			
	credits	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>			

## 5. COURSE CONTENTS

*Table 5.1. Course contents and academic activities types*

<b>Course module title</b>	<b>Course module contents (topics)</b>	<b>Academic activities types</b>
1. The practice of law.	Topic 1.1. Bodies of law, types of laws, legal profession in English Speaking Countries and Russia.	S
	Topic 1.2. Practice: Basic terminology. Grammar revision & text analysis. Reading, writing, listening and speaking assignments	S
2. Sources of Law	Topic 2.1. Legislation. Common Law. Civil Law. Legal systems of English Speaking Countries and Russia	S
	Topic 2.2. Practice: Basic terminology. Grammar revision & text analysis. Reading, writing, listening and speaking assignments	S
3. Legal Systems: Comparative analysis of Concepts and Language in English Speaking Countries and Russia.	Topic 3.1. The structure of the law. Consitution. Jurisdiction.	S
	Topic 3.2. Practice: Basic terminology, grammar revision & text analysis. Reading, writing, listening and speaking assignments.	S
4. Court System. Comparative analysis of Concepts and Language in English Speaking Countries and Russia.	Topic 4.1. Civil Courts, Criminal Courts. The discourse of litigation. The language used in favorable judicial decisions. The language used in unfavorable judicial decisions	S
	Topic 4.2. Practice: Basic terminology, grammar revision & text analysis. Reading, writing, listening and speaking assignments.	S
5. Criminal proceedings. Comparative analysis of Concepts and Language in English Speaking Countries and Russia.	Topic 5.1. Criminal Justice, categories of criminal offence, Criminal court proceedings. Arrest and charge. Types of offences. The trial..	S
	Topic 5.2 Practice: Basic terminology, grammar revision & text analysis. Reading,	S

<b>Course module title</b>	<b>Course module contents (topics)</b>	<b>Academic activities types</b>
	writing, listening and speaking assignments.	
6. Civil Proceedings Comparative analysis of Concepts and Language in English Speaking Countries and Russia	Topic 6.1 Civil Procedure rules, proceeding with a clam. The Civil procedure rules 1998. The overriding objective. Allocation to track.	S
	Topic 6.2 Practice: Basic terminology, grammar revision & text analysis. Reading, writing, listening and speaking assignments..	S
7. Tribunals. Comparative analysis of Concepts and Language in English Speaking Countries and Russia.	Topic 7.1 Administrative, Industrial and Domestic Tribunals. Status, range, composition, procedure.	S
	Topic 7.2 Practice: Basic terminology, grammar revision & text analysis. Reading, writing, listening and speaking assignments.	S
8. European Union Law	Topic 8.1 EU and Member States rights, ECHR.	S
	Topic 8.2 Practice: Basic terminology, grammar revision & text analysis. Reading, writing, listening and speaking assignments.	S

\* - to be filled in only for **full**-time training: *LC* - lectures; *LW* - lab work; *S* - seminars.

## 6. CLASSROOM EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS

*Table 6.1. Classroom equipment and technology support requirements*

<b>Type of academic activities</b>	<b>Classroom equipment</b>	<b>Specialised educational / laboratory equipment, software, and materials for course study (if necessary)</b>
Lecture	A lecture hall for lecture-type classes, equipped with a set of specialised furniture; board (screen) and technical means of multimedia presentations.	
Lab work	A classroom for laboratory work, individual	List of specialised

	consultations, current and mid-term assessment; equipped with a set of specialised furniture and machinery.	laboratory equipment, machinery, stands, etc.
Seminar	A classroom for conducting seminars, group and individual consultations, current and mid-term assessment; equipped with a set of specialised furniture and technical means for multimedia presentations.	List of specialised equipment, stands, visual posters, etc.
Computer Lab	A classroom for conducting classes, group and individual consultations, current and mid-term assessment, equipped with personal computers (in the amount of ____ pcs), a board (screen) and technical means of multimedia presentations.	List of specialised software installed on computers for mastering the discipline
Self-studies	A classroom for independent work of students (can be used for seminars and consultations), equipped with a set of specialised furniture and computers with access to the electronic information and educational environment.	

\* The premises for students' self-studies Classroom 326.

## 7. RESOURCES RECOMMENDED FOR COURSE STUDY

### *Main readings:*

1. Brown G., Rice S. Professional English in use: Law. - CUP, 2007.(republished) (e-book is available for students free of charge).
2. Haigh, R. Legal English, 4th Edition. Routledge-Cavendish, 2015. (e-book is available for students free of charge).
3. Английский язык для юристов (b1–b2) : Учеб. и практикум для академического бакалавриата / И.И. Чиронина, [и др.] ; Под ред. И.И. Чироновой. - 2-е изд., перераб. и доп. - М. : Юрайт, 2019. - 399 с. - (Бакалавр. Академический курс). - URL: <https://urait.ru/bcode/446365> (дата обращения: 25.12.2020). - ISBN 978-5-534-11886-5 : 0-00. - Текст : электронный.
4. Ross, K. M. (2019). Essential Legal English in Context: Understanding the Vocabulary of US Law and Government. NYU Press.

### *Additional readings:*

1. Gregory, M., & Carroll, S. (2018). *Language and situation: Language varieties and their social contexts*. Routledge.
2. Pöllabauer, S., & Topolovec, I. (2020). Ethics in public service interpreting. In *The Routledge Handbook of Translation and Ethics* (pp. 211-226). Routledge.
2. Tuktarova, G. M. (2020). Legal English Vocabulary Book. *Internet sources*

### *Internet sources*

1. Electronic libraries (EL) of RUDN University and other institutions, to which university students have access on the basis of concluded agreements:
  - RUDN Electronic Library System (RUDN ELS) <http://lib.rudn.ru/MegaPro/Web>

- EL "University Library Online" <http://www.biblioclub.ru>
- EL "Yurayt" <http://www.biblio-online.ru>
- EL "Student Consultant" [www.studentlibrary.ru](http://www.studentlibrary.ru)
- EL "Lan" <http://e.lanbook.com/>
- EL "Trinity Bridge"

2. Databases and search engines:

- electronic foundation of legal and normative-technical documentation <http://docs.cntd.ru/>
- Yandex search engine [https:// www .yandex.ru/](https://www.yandex.ru/)
- Google search engine <https://www.google.ru/>
- Scopus abstract database <http://www.elsevierscience.ru/products/scopus/>

*Additional materials for course studies*

European Commission. *Quality of Public Administration. A Toolbox for Practitioners*. URL: [https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/default/files/file\\_import/european-semester-thematic-factsheet-quality-public-administration-en-0.pdf](https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/default/files/file_import/european-semester-thematic-factsheet-quality-public-administration-en-0.pdf)

Errutia Caverro, M. (2016) *El lenguaje jurídico y administrativo en el ámbito de la extranjería: estudio multilingüe e implicaciones culturales*. Nº Páginas: 418. Editorial: Peter Lang, Berna, Suiza.

UK Legislation. URL: <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/>

US Senate: Laws and Regulations . URL:

[https://www.senate.gov/reference/reference\\_index\\_subjects/Laws\\_and\\_Regulations\\_vrd.htm](https://www.senate.gov/reference/reference_index_subjects/Laws_and_Regulations_vrd.htm)

*Training toolkit for self- studies to master the course \*:*

1. The set of lectures on the course *Translation in the administrative-legal sphere*
2. The laboratory workshop (if any).on the course *Translation in the administrative-legal sphere*
3. The guidelines for writing a course paper / project (if any) on the course *Translation in the administrative-legal sphere*
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\* The training toolkit for self- studies to master the course is placed on the course page in the university telecommunication training and information system under the set procedure.

**8. ASSESSMENT TOOLKIT AND GRADING SYSTEM\* FOR EVALUATION OF STUDENTS' COMPETENCES LEVEL UPON COURSE COMPLETION**

The assessment toolkit and the grading system\* to evaluate the competences formation level (competences in part) upon the course study completion are specified in the Appendix to the course syllabus.

\* The assessment toolkit and the grading system are formed on the basis of the requirements of the relevant local normative act of RUDN University (regulations / order

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