

Navoi State University – Russian Language and Literature

Program Duration: 2 years

Mode of Study: Full-time

Program Code: 70110801

Total Workload: 120 ECTS credits

ECTS credits per semester: 30

Overview

The Master's degree program in **Native Language and Literature: Russian Language and Literature** (Program Code: 70110801) at Navoi State University is a two-year, full-time academic program comprising a total workload of 120 ECTS credits (30 ECTS per semester). The program is designed to prepare highly qualified philologists, Russian language and literature research scholars, literary critics, editorial directors, translation studies specialists, and higher education academic staff equipped with advanced knowledge in Slavic linguistics, Russian literary history, comparative philology, textology, and innovative higher-education teaching methodologies.

The curriculum integrates deep theoretical studies in modern Russian grammar, discourse analysis, cognitive linguistics, inter-literary relations, and Russian literary development — from classical 19th-century masterpieces to 20th-century Russian literature, Silver Age poetry, post-colonial paradigms, and contemporary literary processes — with modern educational technologies and digital humanities applications. Students gain expertise in linguistic research, comparative literary analysis, curriculum design, corpus linguistics, and intercultural communication. The program places strong emphasis on fostering multilingual competence, scientific translation methodology, preserving literary heritage, and advancing progressive pedagogical methods in Russian language education.

Graduates of this program are fully equipped to pursue careers as university lecturers, research scientists, literary editors, intercultural communication advisors, media specialists, and cultural managers, as well as to continue their studies at the doctoral (PhD) level.

Assessment

A comprehensive and multi-component assessment system is applied in the Master's program in Russian Language and Literature to ensure continuous learning, scientific rigor, analytical competence, and pedagogical proficiency.

1. Course-based assessment

- **Presentations and seminars** – assess students' ability to analyze, present, and defend linguistic and literary research, theoretical grammar frameworks, poetic structures, and critical essays in academic settings.

- **Mini-tests, quizzes, and oral exams** – monitor understanding of core theoretical concepts, phonetics, syntax, literary genre theory, textology, and sociolinguistic principles.
 - **Midterm and final examinations** – evaluate theoretical depth, text interpretation capabilities, and linguistic/literary problem-solving through written examinations and essay analyses.
 - **Portfolio assignments** – compile textual commentary samples, comparative translation logs, educational lesson plans, literary reviews, and research paper drafts demonstrating progressive skill development.
 - **Independent assignments** – encourage independent philological research, corpus data processing, comparative text analysis, manuscript decoding, and literature reviews.
2. **Research-based assessment**
- **Scientific Research Work (ITI)** – evaluated through research proposals, linguistic/literary data collection reports, text analysis progress reviews, and defense of research outcomes before the department.
 - **Scientific and Pedagogical Work (IPI)** – evaluated via teaching practice, preparation of university-level lecture materials, seminar plans, instructional guides, and academic reporting.
 - **Master's Thesis (MD/M)** – evaluated based on scientific originality, textual and philological accuracy, methodological rigor, thesis writing quality, and public defense before the State Attestation Commission.
3. **Practice-based assessment**
- **Educational and Pedagogical Practice** – evaluated through performance in higher education institutions, research institutes under the Academy of Sciences, publishing houses, and literary museums, accompanied by comprehensive practice reports.
 - **Pre-graduation practice** – assessed on the integration of theoretical/empirical philological research findings and final thesis preparation.
4. **Work-integrated learning**
- **Philological & Editorial Projects** – assessed on analytical precision, stylistic quality, critical depth, and practical alignment with national language and literary standards.

Academic Requirements

Admission Requirements—Applicants applying for the Master's degree program in Native Language and Literature: Russian Language and Literature (Code: 70110801) must satisfy the following criteria:

- **Educational background** – A Bachelor's degree (or equivalent qualification) in philology, Russian language and literature, foreign language education, translation studies, or related humanities fields from a recognized higher education institution.
- **Academic excellence** – Applicants holding an honors diploma (*imtiyozli diplom*) are eligible for preferential admission according to current regulations of the Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Innovation of the Republic of Uzbekistan.
- **Language proficiency** – Native or C1-level proficiency in Russian and a valid national or international certificate demonstrating foreign language proficiency (CEFR B2 level, IELTS, TOEFL, C1/B2 in Russian/English, etc.) in accordance with national regulations.

Graduation Requirements

To be granted the Master of Arts degree in Russian Language and Literature, students are required to:

- Complete all compulsory and elective modules specified in the curriculum, accumulating a total of **120 ECTS credits** (30 ECTS per semester).
- Maintain standard academic standing according to Navoi State University regulations (passing marks in all subjects).
- Successfully complete all practical trainings (teaching internship, research practice, and pre-graduation practice) with positive performance evaluations.
- Fulfill all research requirements (Scientific Research Work and Scientific-Pedagogical Work).
- Prepare, submit, and successfully defend a **Master's Thesis** demonstrating independent philological research before the State Attestation Commission.
- Pass all required state attestation processes.

Courses Offered

Year 1

Compulsory:

- Research Methodology and Scientific Writing in Russian Philology
- Reforms in the Education System under the Development Strategy of New Uzbekistan
- Theoretical Foundations and Modern Paradigms of Russian Linguistics
- History, Hermeneutics, and Poetics of Russian Literature
- Methodology of Teaching Russian Language and Literature in Higher Education

Elective:

- Sociolinguistics, Language Contact, and Intercultural Communication
- Textology, Hermeneutics, and Source Studies in Russian Literature
- Digital Humanities, Corpus Linguistics, and NLP Tools for Russian Language
- Regulatory Documents and Quality Standards in Philological Education
- Cognitive Linguistics and Psycholinguistics in Slavic Philology

Year 2

Compulsory:

- Comparative Typology of Russian and Uzbek Languages and Literatures
- Pragmalinguistics, Stylistics, and Text Discourse Analysis
- Literary Criticism, Aesthetics, and Contemporary Russian Literary Process

Elective:

- Theory and Practice of Literary Translation (Russian-Uzbek / Uzbek-Russian)
- History of Russian Literary Criticism and Theoretical Schools
- Ethnolinguistics, Onomastics, and Linguoculturology in Russian Philology
- Professional Morality and Ethics in Scientific Research
- Media Discourse Analysis, Public Relations, and Copywriting in Russian
- Russian Literature in International Context and World Heritage Preservation
- Methods of Designing Textbooks and Educational Resources for Russian Philology

Career Opportunities

Graduates of the Master's degree program in Native Language and Literature: Russian Language and Literature acquire high-level analytical, text-editing, research, translation, and pedagogical capabilities, enabling them to pursue careers across educational, research, publishing, government, media, and international sectors:

- **University Lecturer / Teacher of Russian Language and Literature** in higher education institutions, academic lyceums, specialized schools, and foreign language centers.
- **Philological Research Scientist** in research institutes under the Academy of Sciences of Uzbekistan, Slavonic research centers, and international scientific organizations.
- **Intercultural Communication Specialist / Diplomatic Attache Assistant** in embassies, international cultural centers (e.g., Rossotrudnichestvo), government ministries, and foreign trade corporations.
- **Literary Editor / Senior Proofreader** in publishing houses, academic journals, news agencies, digital media, and international publishing networks.
- **Literary Critic / Cultural Reviewer** writing scholarly critiques, essays, and reviews for academic journals, newspapers, and media outlets.
- **Professional Translator / Interpreter** translating literary, scientific, political, and commercial texts between Russian, Uzbek, and English.
- **Press Secretary / Media Advisor** in government departments, international corporations, cultural institutions, and public relations agencies.
- **Curriculum & Educational Content Developer** in centers for educational development, EdTech platforms, and textbook publishing houses.

Tuition Fees

- **For local students:** Approximate annual tuition – 9,700,000 UZS.
- **For international students:** Approximate annual tuition – 774.28 USD.

(Note: Tuition fees are subject to adjustment in accordance with university policy and foreign currency exchange rates.)

Learning Outcomes

Master's Degree in Russian Language and Literature

Upon successful completion of the program, graduates will be able to:

1. Knowledge

- **1.1.** Demonstrate advanced knowledge of the historical evolution, theoretical frameworks, grammatical structures, and literary paradigms of modern Russian language and literature.
- **1.2.** Understand principles of poetics, hermeneutics, textology, cognitive linguistics, comparative typologies, and discourse theory.
- **1.3.** Explain concepts in computational linguistics, Russian national corpus utilization, digital humanities tools, and comparative literature studies.
- **1.4.** Demonstrate knowledge of modern higher-education pedagogy, instructional design, and methodology for teaching Russian language and literature as a native or second language.

- **1.5.** Recognize national legislation, educational standards, copyright laws, and international cultural collaboration policies in Uzbekistan.

2. Skills

- **2.1.** Perform deep theoretical, structural, historical, and textological analyses of classical masterpieces, poetic works, and contemporary Russian linguistic/literary texts.
- **2.2.** Apply digital humanities software, linguistic corpora, and text processing tools for lexicographic, stylistic, and literary research.
- **2.3.** Design and deliver higher-education lecture courses, seminar modules, and assessment materials for Russian language and literature disciplines.
- **2.4.** Edit, proofread, and translate complex literary manuscripts, academic books, scientific articles, and educational materials across Russian, Uzbek, and English.
- **2.5.** Prepare scientific research papers, academic reviews, literary critiques, educational manuals, and publishable research theses.
- **2.6.** Effectively present philological research findings, translation analyses, and literary studies to academic boards, teaching staff, and public forums in national and foreign languages.

3. Competences

- **3.1. Philological & Research Competence** – Conduct independent, scientifically grounded, and methodologically sound research in Russian linguistics, literature, comparative philology, and textology.
- **3.2. Intercultural & Cultural Leadership** – Manage cross-cultural communication projects, guide literary translations, direct publishing programs, and promote multicultural dialogue.
- **3.3. Methodological & Educational Competence** – Teach Russian language and literature subjects at higher education levels using modern interactive, digital, and reflective pedagogical methods.
- **3.4. Critical & Editorial Competence** – Evaluate contemporary literary and linguistic processes, conduct scientific editing, and provide expert philological consulting in public and private institutions.
- **3.5. Professional Ethics & Academic Integrity** – Uphold high standards of academic honesty, intellectual property ethics, respect for cultural diversity, and linguistic standards.
- **3.6. Lifelong Learning Competence** – Continuously expand philological knowledge, adopt evolving digital text analysis tools, and actively participate in national and international conferences in Russian philology, Slavistics, and comparative literature.