

Navoi State University – Linguistics: Russian Language

Program Duration: 2 years

Mode of Study: Full-time

Program Code: 70230101

Total Workload: 120 ECTS credits

ECTS credits per semester: 30

Overview

The Master's degree program in **Linguistics: Russian Language** (Program Code: 70230101) 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 linguists, philologists, Russian language researchers, literary analysts, translators, and educators equipped with advanced knowledge in theoretical linguistics, cognitive linguistics, sociolinguistics, discourse analysis, and modern methods of teaching Russian as a foreign or second language.

The curriculum integrates deep theoretical studies in Russian grammar, lexicology, stylistics, and comparative linguistics with practical research methodologies and digital humanities applications. Students gain expertise in text analysis, cross-cultural communication, corpus linguistics, literary criticism, and pedagogical techniques. The program places strong emphasis on intercultural dialogue, multilingual education, language policy, and regional linguistic research in Uzbekistan.

Graduates of this program are fully equipped to pursue careers as university lecturers, language research scientists, literary editors, translators and interpreters, content developers, cultural consultants, and administrative officers in international relations, 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 Linguistics: Russian Language 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 research, theoretical grammar frameworks, discourse models, and literary reviews in academic settings.
- **Mini-tests, quizzes, and oral exams** – monitor understanding of core theoretical concepts, phonetics, morphology, syntax, semantics, and sociolinguistic theories.
- **Midterm and final examinations** – evaluate theoretical depth, text analysis capabilities, and linguistic problem-solving through written examinations and essay analyses.

- **Portfolio assignments** – compile linguistic field logs, discourse analysis reports, translation samples, educational lesson plans, and research paper drafts demonstrating progressive skill development.
 - **Independent assignments** – encourage independent philological research, corpus data processing, comparative text analysis, and theoretical literature reviews.
2. **Research-based assessment**
- **Scientific Research Work (ITI)** – evaluated through research proposals, linguistic data collection reports, text analysis progress reports, and defense of research outcomes before the department.
 - **Scientific and Pedagogical Work (IPI)** – evaluated via teaching practice, preparation of practical Russian language lesson plans, instructional materials, and academic reporting.
 - **Master’s Thesis (MD/M)** – evaluated based on scientific originality, linguistic accuracy, methodological rigor, thesis writing quality, and public defense before the State Attestation Commission.
3. **Practice-based assessment**
- **Educational and Linguistic Practice** – evaluated through performance in higher education institutions, language centers, publishing houses, media agencies, and research institutes, accompanied by comprehensive practice reports.
 - **Pre-graduation practice** – assessed on the integration of linguistic research findings and final thesis preparation.
4. **Work-integrated learning**
- **Linguistic & Translation Projects** – assessed on analytical precision, text composition quality, stylistic appropriateness, and practical alignment with academic and professional standards.

Academic Requirements

Admission Requirements-Applicants applying for the Master’s degree program in Linguistics: Russian Language (Code: 70230101) must satisfy the following criteria:

- **Educational background** – A Bachelor’s degree (or equivalent qualification) in philology, Russian language and literature, linguistics, translation studies, or foreign language education 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** – High-level proficiency in Russian (C1 level or equivalent national/international credential) and a valid national or international certificate demonstrating foreign language proficiency (CEFR B2 level, IELTS, TOEFL, etc.) in English or another recognized foreign language.

Graduation Requirements

To be granted the Master of Arts degree in Linguistics: Russian Language, 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 linguistic research before the State Attestation Commission.
- Pass all required state attestation processes.

Courses Offered

Year 1

Compulsory:

- Research Methodology and Scientific Writing in Linguistics
- Reforms in the Education System under the Development Strategy of New Uzbekistan
- History and Philosophy of Linguistic Science
- Modern Problems of Russian Theoretical Linguistics and Grammar
- Cognitive Linguistics and Psycholinguistics

Elective:

- Sociolinguistics and Intercultural Communication
- Text Linguistics and Discourse Analysis
- Modern Methods of Teaching Russian as a Foreign / Second Language
- Regulatory Documents and Quality Standards in Philological Education
- Corpus Linguistics and Digital Humanities Methods

Year 2

Compulsory:

- Comparative and Contrastive Linguistics (Russian and Uzbek/Turkic Languages)
- Lexicography, Terminology, and Dictionary Compilation
- Pragmalinguistics and Stylistics of the Modern Russian Language

Elective:

- Theory and Practice of Translation (Russian–Uzbek–English)
- Literary Stylistics and Textual Analysis
- Semiotics and Media Discourse Analysis
- Professional Morality and Ethics in Scientific Research
- Gender Linguistics and Language Identity
- Ethnolinguistics and Linguoculturology
- Modern Mass Media Language and Copywriting

Career Opportunities

Graduates of the Master's degree program in Linguistics: Russian Language acquire strong analytical, text-editing, intercultural, and pedagogical capabilities, enabling them to pursue careers across educational, media, publishing, diplomatic, and governmental sectors:

- **University Lecturer / Teacher of Russian Language and Literature** in higher education institutions, academic lyceums, specialized schools, and language centers.
- **Research Scientist / Philologist** in research institutes under the Academy of Sciences of Uzbekistan (e.g., Institute of Language, Literature and Folklore) and scientific research centers.
- **Translator / Interpreter / Localizer** in international organizations, government ministries, diplomatic missions, and commercial corporations (Russian–Uzbek–English).
- **Literary Editor / Proofreader / Copywriter** in publishing houses, news agencies, digital media outlets, and advertising firms.
- **Intercultural Communication Specialist / Press Secretary Assistant** in government press services, cultural centers, and international business enterprises.
- **Content Strategist / Technical Writer** developing high-quality Russian content for corporate communication, web media, and educational platforms.
- **Linguistic Consultant / Analyst** providing expert linguistic analysis, text examination, and dictionary compilation services.
- **Education Project Coordinator** in international educational organizations and non-governmental institutions focusing on language and culture.

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 Linguistics: Russian Language

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

1. Knowledge

- **1.1.** Demonstrate advanced knowledge of the history, theoretical frameworks, and contemporary paradigms of linguistics and Russian philology.
- **1.2.** Understand concepts in cognitive linguistics, sociolinguistics, pragmalinguistics, discourse analysis, and linguoculturology.
- **1.3.** Explain the structure, phonetic-grammatical system, stylistic variations, and semantic transformations of modern Russian in comparative contexts.
- **1.4.** Demonstrate knowledge of modern methodologies for teaching Russian as a second language, instructional technology, and curriculum design.
- **1.5.** Recognize national legal standards, educational policies, copyright laws, and cultural policies governing language education and publishing in Uzbekistan.

2. Skills

- **2.1.** Perform deep theoretical, structural, and semantic analyses of complex Russian literary, scientific, media, and official texts.
- **2.2.** Apply digital humanities tools, linguistic corpora, and software applications for lexicographic work and empirical text processing.

- **2.3.** Translate and edit academic, technical, literary, and official documents between Russian, Uzbek, and English with stylistic precision.
- **2.4.** Design and deliver higher-education courses, lesson modules, and assessment materials for Russian language and linguistic disciplines.
- **2.5.** Prepare rigorous scientific articles, academic reviews, text analyses, educational materials, and publishable research theses.
- **2.6.** Effectively present linguistic research results, educational models, and textual analysis to scientific boards, student audiences, and public forums in national and foreign languages.

3. Competences

- **3.1. Linguistic & Research Competence** – Conduct independent, scientifically rigorous, and methodologically sound research in theoretical and applied Russian linguistics.
- **3.2. Intercultural & Communication Competence** – Facilitate effective cross-cultural dialogue, multilingual communication, and international scientific cooperation.
- **3.3. Methodological & Educational Competence** – Teach Russian language and linguistic subjects at higher education levels using modern interactive and digital pedagogical methods.
- **3.4. Editorial & Analytical Competence** – Manage publishing projects, text editing workflows, media communications, and linguistic consulting in public and private institutions.
- **3.5. Professional Ethics & Scientific Integrity** – Uphold high standards of academic honesty, intellectual property ethics, objectivity, and cultural tolerance in research and education.
- **3.6. Lifelong Learning Competence** – Continuously expand philological knowledge, adopt modern digital text-processing tools, and participate in international linguistic conferences and academic networks.