

Syllabus for the course Bosnian, Croatian, Serbian (BCS) for foreigners

Lecturer information

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Biography:

Nadan Kravić was born in Sarajevo in 1997, where he finished school and undergraduate studies, before moving to Russia for his master's degree. He returned to Bosnia and Herzegovina in 2022 and started his career with foreign language courses.

Nadan holds a master's degree in Chemistry and has a passion for languages. He is engaged in linguistics, having completed a preparatory program for Russian as a foreign language and passed the state exam. He worked as an English language instructor on the Skyeng platform. Currently, he teaches his BCS course for foreigners in Russian and English. He is a certified court interpreter for the Russian language and collaborates with several translation agencies.

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General information about the course:

The BCS course is designed to provide comprehensive instruction for learners. It covers essential grammar, vocabulary, and conversation skills, with a focus on practical communication in various contexts. The course incorporates interactive activities, listening exercises, and cultural insights to enhance language acquisition. This course offers a structured and engaging learning experience tailored to your needs.

Description:

This BCS language course offers a comprehensive approach to learning the language for all those who wish to learn or improve their skills. The program covers various aspects of the language tailored to the needs of participants.

Throughout the course, participants will learn the basic structure of the Bosnian language, including grammar, spelling, and correct pronunciation. Special emphasis is placed on understanding basic concepts such as cases, verb tenses, and word agreement in sentences.

Interactive lessons include listening, speaking, reading, and writing exercises, allowing participants to apply their knowledge in everyday situations. The goal is to develop communication skills necessary for everyday interaction in BCS, both in formal and informal settings.

The BCS language course is designed to provide a good foundation for further language learning and to create a supportive environment for all participants. Regardless of their initial knowledge of BCS or experience in learning foreign languages, the course offers a structured and supportive approach to language learning.

Goals and expectations:

After completing the BCS language course, participants can expect to achieve the following goals:

- **Proficiency in basic communication:** Participants will be able to engage in simple conversations, introduce themselves, ask and answer questions, and handle basic everyday situations in Bosnian.
- **Improved comprehension skills:** Participants will have developed the ability to understand spoken and written BCS to a greater extent, including basic texts, instructions, and dialogues.
- **Vocabulary:** Participants will have solid range of vocabulary, including common words and phrases used in various contexts, such as greetings, shopping, dining, and traveling.

- **Cultural understanding:** Through exposure to Bosnian culture, customs, and traditions during the course, participants will have gained insights into the cultural background of the language, fostering a deeper appreciation and understanding of Bosnian society.
- **Confidence in language use:** Participants will have gained confidence in their ability to use the BCS language effectively in real-life situations, both orally and in writing.
- **Readiness for further learning:** The course will prepare participants for further advancement in Bosnian language learning, whether through intermediate or advanced courses, self-study, or experience.

Overall, upon completing the Bosnian language course, participants can expect to have achieved a solid foundation in the language, enabling them to communicate effectively and confidently in Bosnian-speaking environments.

Materials/equipment necessary for the course:

No materials needed. Learning materials are provided by teacher.

Duration of the course: 2 months

Number of hours/lessons: 16 lessons, 2 hours each

Plan of the topics:

Week 1	About BCS language; alphabet: latin and cyrillic; pronunciation; reading; basic phrases
Week 2	Personal pronouns; verb "to be", function of the verb "to be" and its present tense; about verbs in Bosnian; infinitive, conjugations, sentences
Week 3	Demonstrative and relative pronouns; orientation in time; numbers, past tense; conversational part; biography
Week 4	Prepositions; introduction to cases; conversational part
Week 5	Adjectives; declension of nouns and adjectives of the neuter gender; declension of nouns and adjectives of the feminine gender
Week 6	Modal verbs; future tense; comparison of adjectives; conversational part

Week 7	Conditional and imperative; conditional future tense; sentence structure and conjunctions; conversational part
Week 8	Overall revision and test

Additional information and resources.

All participants **must** have a sufficient level of English proficiency to be able to learn another foreign language in it.