

Hindi (HINDI)

Courses

HINDI 1A Introductory Hindi 5 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2025, Fall 2024, Fall 2023

This course emphasizes development of the full range of Hindi language skills: reading, listening, comprehension, the use of grammatical structures, and oral and written communication—through a variety of learning themes. Individual and small group activities, interactive work and multimedia-based activities reinforce language skills and provide the platform for adapting the curriculum to specific student learning goals. Use of graded exercises and readings drawn from Hindi literature, leads to the mastery of grammatical structures, essential vocabulary and achievement of basic reading and writing competence.

Rules & Requirements

Credit Restrictions: Students who have passed HIN-URD 1A do not get credit for HINDI 1A

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 5 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Hindi/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Formerly known as: Hindi-Urdu 1A

HINDI 1B Introductory Hindi 5 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2025, Spring 2024, Spring 2023

Hindi writing systems. Survey of grammar. Graded exercises and readings drawn from Hindi literature, leading to mastery of grammatical structures and essential vocabulary and achievement of basic reading and writing competence.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Completion of HINDI 1A (or HIN-URD 1A) or consent of instructor

Credit Restrictions: Students who have passed HINDURD 1B do not get credit for HINDI 1B

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 5 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Hindi/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Formerly known as: Hindi-Urdu 1B

HINDI 15 Intensive Elementary Hindi 10 Units

Terms offered: Prior to 2007

A comprehensive introduction to modern standard Hindi. The Hindi (Devanagari) writing system; pronunciation; acquisition of grammar and basic vocabulary through graded exercises and readings; special emphasis on the ability to speak and understand Hindi (and spoken Urdu).

Rules & Requirements

Credit Restrictions: Students who have passed HINURD 15 do not get credit for HINDI 15

Hours & Format

Summer: 8 weeks - 20 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Hindi/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.

Formerly known as: Hindi-Urdu 15

HINDI 100A Intermediate Hindi 4 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2025, Fall 2024, Fall 2023

Intermediate language course will focus on expanding all language skills (reading, writing, speaking), mastering grammar patterns and new vocabulary through authentic readings from classical and contemporary Hindi literature, epics, mythology and current events. This course acquaints students with representative readings from Hindi texts on pivotal cultural issues from a wide variety of sources, to enable them to acquire cultural competence in the language. Systematic training in advanced grammar and syntax, reinforced by exercises in composition, both oral and written will be integral part of the course. Special attention is given towards developing communication skills through audio/video, digital media and current events.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Hindi 1A or 1B (or HINDURD 1A or 1B) or consent of instructor

Credit Restrictions: Students who have passed HINURD 100A do not get credit for HINDI 100A

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Hindi/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Melnikova

Formerly known as: Hindi-Urdu 100A

HINDI 100B Intermediate Hindi 4 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2025, Spring 2024, Spring 2023

This course acquaints students with representative readings from Hindi texts on pivotal cultural issues from a wide variety of sources, to enable them to acquire cultural competence in the language. Systematic training in advanced grammar and syntax, reinforced by exercises in composition, both oral and written. Special attention to developing communication skills.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: 1A-1B

Credit Restrictions: Students who have passed HINURD 100B do not get credit for HINDI 100B

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Hindi/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Jain

Formerly known as: Hindi-Urdu 100B

HINDI 101A Readings in Modern Hindi 4 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2025, Fall 2023, Fall 2022

This course, conducted entirely in Hindi, is for students who have achieved an intermediate level of proficiency in speaking, reading, and writing. Its objective is to move students toward a greater level of fluency in each of these key areas and to acquire language skills sufficient to approach literary texts on their own. Students use written assignments and discussions to explore contemporary literary genres including short stories, poems, and dramatic sketches from representative authors, focusing on various social, cultural, political, and historical aspects of Indian society. Includes advanced grammar & composition with special emphasis on vocabulary building, idioms, and problems of syntax.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Two years of Hindi or consent of instructor

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Hindi/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Melnikova

Formerly known as: Hindi-Urdu 101A

HINDI 101B Readings in Modern Hindi 3 Units

Terms offered: Prior to 2007

This course, conducted entirely in Hindi, is for students who have achieved an intermediate level of proficiency in speaking, reading, and writing. Its objective is to move students toward a greater level of fluency in each of these key areas and to acquire language skills sufficient to approach literary texts on their own. Students use written assignments and discussions to explore contemporary literary genres including short stories, poems, and dramatic sketches from representative authors, focusing on various social, cultural, political, and historical aspects of Indian society. Includes advanced grammar & composition with special emphasis on vocabulary building, idioms, and problems of syntax.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Two years of Hindi or consent of instructor

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Hindi/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Jain

Formerly known as: Hindi-Urdu 101B

HINDI 221 Hindi Literature 4 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2019

The course will focus on Hindi literature from the pre-modern and the modern periods. Topics will vary from year to year. Students will be expected to write a 25-30 page research paper.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Two years of Hindi or equivalent

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Hindi/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

Instructor: Paramasivan

Formerly known as: Hindi-Urdu 221