



# Master of Arts (Russian) (MARUS)

## ASSIGNMENTS & PROJECT GUIDELINES (MA 2nd Year)

(For Jan/July 2026 – Jan/July 2028 Session)

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Dear Student,

We hope you enjoyed reading the course and found it useful in applying it in your communication with others.

In order to help you understand the material better, practice the activities and prepare you for the examination later, we have an assignment for each of the courses. All the assignments are Tutor Marked Assignments (TMAs) and carry 100 marks each.

**Aims:** The TMAs are mainly concerned with your ability to understand the material and apply it meaningfully in real-life interactions. These assignments are as much a teaching device as a testing tool.

**Guidelines:** You will be required to answer the questions which are based on the units and your understanding and practice of the activities. Do not reproduce chunks of information from the units.

As in day-to day life, planning is important in doing the assignments well. Read the assignments carefully; go through the units on which they are based; write down some points regarding each question and then re-arrange them in a logical order. In an essay-type answer, allot adequate time to your introduction and conclusion. The introduction must tell the evaluator how you interpret the given topic and how you propose to develop it. The conclusion must summarize your views on the topic.

You should write in your own handwriting.

Make sure that your answer:

a) is logical;

b) is written in simple and correct Russian;

c) is written neatly and clearly;

d) reflects your understanding of the units.

You will be evaluated on the following criteria:

- fulfilling and completing all aspects of the task/question;
- ☐ how you have dealt with your ideas;
- whether you used appropriate linkers
- did you make adequate use of paragraphs;
- ☐ range and correctness of vocabulary;
- accuracy of grammatical structures.

Please remember that it is compulsory to submit your assignments before you can take the Term End Exams. Also remember to keep a copy of your assignments with you and do take a receipt from your Study Centre when you submit the assignments.

### **Last Date for Submission of Assignments:**

Please visit [www.ignou.ac.in](http://www.ignou.ac.in)

Note: Remember the submission of assignment is a precondition for appearing in the Term End Examination.

Best of Luck!

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**The top of the first page of your response sheet should look like this:**

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Name.....

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Assignment Course Title.....

Assignment Course Code.....

Study Centre/Regional Centre.....

Date.....

Signature.....

Note:

1. Students are advised to enclose a copy of their IGNOU student's id with the assignment.
2. Assignments should be handwritten.
3. Assignments should be submitted at your LSC/RC
4. Kindly keep a softcopy of your assignments for future reference.

**Master of Arts (Russian) (MARUS)**  
**Assignment**  
**(MRU-010: RUSSIA in the Global Affairs)**

**Max. Marks: 100**

**All Questions are Compulsory**

- 1. Describe the main geopolitical challenges facing Russia, and how do these challenges impact its strategic decisions and foreign policy objectives? (20)**
  
- 2. Evaluate the key debates within the Russian geopolitical context, and how do they shape the country's foreign policy decisions and international relations? (20)**
  
- 3. How did the policies of Perestroika and Glasnost impact the political, economic, and social landscape of the Soviet Union in the late 1980s? (20)**
  
- 4. How did Russian literature contribute to the formation of Russian identity, and how did propaganda policies, particularly in the realm of cultural diplomacy, shape perceptions of Russian culture and identity domestically and internationally? (20)**
  
- 5. Write short notes on the following: (20)**

**I. Crimean War**

**II. Colour Revolution**

**III. Ukraine Crisis, 2022**

**IV. Westernism**