

# **Australian Croatian Community Services**

# **Croatian Course Guide**

Welcome to a great language learning adventure with Australian Croatian Community Services. We hope your experience with us is a positive one and enables you to achieve what you set out to do.

This guide is designed to help you know what to expect when you enrol and begin learning the Croatian language with Australian Croatian Community Services. It provides information for our popular 14 week x 2 hour evening courses that we offer three times per annum.

Courses are for adult learners and students are required to be 18+ years of age.

# **Course type**

Our Croatian language courses include Beginner I Beginner II Intermediate I Intermediate II Advanced

# **Course Duration**

Each course run for 14 weeks, and is held in the evenings for two hours duration. Courses begin in Summer, Autumn and Spring—three intakes per annum, if sufficient enrolments.

## **Course locations**

Classes are held in Footscray, Dandenong and Geelong at the designated venues. We also offer online classes via Zoom platform. Classes are run subject to enrolments received.

# **Learning materials**

We use a Croatian language textbook and workbook for all classes. You will need to have these with you at each class. Please bring along your own notebook and pen.

### What level do I start at?

You can commence your learning at any level depending on your prior knowledge of the language. If you enrol in a level too advanced or too easy for your abilities, you can change. You will need to discuss this with the Education Coordinator.

We advise everyone who hasn't attended our course before to speak with the Education Coordinator to determine their most suitable level for enrolment.

## **Course assessment**

Students have to undertake written and verbal

assessments throughout the course to successfully complete their level.

#### Homework

Students will need to do some homework to fully satisfy their learning outcomes.

# **Course graduation**

Certificates are provided to those who successfully complete their course, and where possible these are awarded at a graduation ceremony at the Croatian Consulate General's office in South Melbourne.

## **Course cost**

Course fees are kept at a minimum. Please refer to the **Fee Payment Schedule** or contact the Education Coordinator for this information on 9791 6000 or email education@accs.asn.au

#### **FAQs**

# Do you offer a refund?

Full details can be found in our Refund Policy.

# Can I arrange a payment plan?

Yes. Payments via instalments need to be arranged with the Education Coordinator and all fees need to be fully paid before the commencement of week 1.

# Is there a concession rate?

A concession is available where two or more family members are enrolled at the same time, and for returning students only.

We aim to keep our prices as low as we can, consistent with our mission as a not-for-profit service.

### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

**Beginner 1** is for students with no prior knowledge or very little knowledge of Croatian language

In this class you will be introduced to interesting facts about Croatia and learn Croatian language skills

- How to introduce yourself
- How to communicate how you feel
- Say where you are from, your age
- Use the formal and informal way of speaking
- Say where you live, say what you like and dislike
- Express a simple opinion
- Tell the time and count

The training resources provided in this course include *Učimo hrvatski u Australiji 1*, Sandra Mlikota and Zdravko Rajic, ACCS, 2018. and *Vježbamo hrvatski u Australiji 1*, Zdravko Rajić, ACCS, 2018.

**Beginner 2** is for students who are able to communicate in all or most of the situations covered in Beginner 1

In this class you will learn Croatian language skills

- To talk about yourself and others and describe what you do throughout the day
- To discuss your likes and dislikes
- Ask and give directions
- Arrange where and when to meet, order something to eat or drink
- To do shopping for clothes and groceries

The training resources provided in this course include those from Beginner 1 and/or *Učimo hrvatski 1*, textbook and workbook by Vesna Kosovac and Vida Lukić. Published by Školska Knjiga Zagreb

**Intermediate 1** is for students who are able to communicate in all or most of the situations covered in Beginner 1 and 2

In this class you will learn Croatian language skills

- To talk about the weather and seasons
- To talk about past events, weekend or holidays in more detail
- Descriptions of general daily activities
- Describe your favourite leisure activities
- Communication for banking and at the post office
- Communication for planning a trip and for traveling around places

The training resources provided in this course include *Učimo hrvatski 2*, textbook and workbook by Vesna Kosovac and Vida Lukić. Published by Školska Knjiga Zagreb

Intermediate 2 is for students who are able to communicate in all or most of the situations covered in Intermediate 1

In this class you will learn Croatian language skills

- To talk about yourself, your family and friends in more depth
- Be able to have a conversation on the phone
- Be able to plan a day or night out
- To communicate more widely with different people
- To discuss comparisons and similarities
- Be able to re-tell a story

The training resources provided in this course include *Učimo hrvatski 3*, textbook and workbook – Vesna Kosovac and Vida Lukić. Published by Školska Knjiga Zagreb

**Advanced 1** is for students with a sound knowledge of the basics of Croatian who need to who need to learn the correct use of grammar in everyday situations

In this class you will learn Croatian language skills

- To describe relationships with family, friends and others
- To discuss daily news and current affairs
- Be able to discuss aspects of Croatian history, geography, sport and the arts
- Conduct more complex conversations
- Greater knowledge of Croatian language

The training resources provided in this course include *Učimo hrvatski 4*, textbook and workbook – Vesna Kosovac and Vida Lukić. Published by Školska Knjiga Zagreb

# **CONTACT**

Contact the **Education Coordinator** with your enquiries on either (03) 9791 6000 or via email on education@accs.asn.au

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