PROFILE

Ivan Savvine is an experienced teacher, writer, and translator. Trained in Philology, Linguistics and Art History, he is pursuing various projects related to the Russian language and culture, fine arts and human rights.

Ivan has taught Russian language and culture in the United States for over 10 years, both in a classroom setting and as a private tutor (online and offline). He continues working with the students of Russian of all levels, from elementary (complete beginner) to intermediate to advanced (functional fluency), as well as those preparing for the certification examinations, including OPI and DLPT.

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EDUCATION

Pushkin State Institute of the Russian Language

2020 - 2022

Master of Arts, Philology/Teaching Russian as a Foreign Language

Peoples' Friendship University of Russia

2019-2020

Fundamentals of teaching Russian as a non-native/foreign language (phonetics, reading, writing and speaking)

Syracuse University

2007-2009

Master of Arts, History of Art and Architecture

SUNY Purchase

2004 - 2006

Bachelor of Arts, Liberal Studies

South Ural State University

2000 - 2004

Four years of undergraduate studies in Linguistics and Translation

WORK EXPERIENCE

CURRENT:

The Ohio State University: Russian Language Instructor for Columbus International High School (January 2024 – present)

Oklahoma City University: STARTALK Russian Instructor

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Concordia Language Villages: STARTALK Russian Instructor

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2012-present

Private tutor of the Russian language, literature, and history

PAST:

Concordia College Language Training Center – Russian Instructor

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Lewis University – Russian Instructor (Project GO)

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Fluent City (New York, NY)

2014-2019

Russian instructor

Other experience:

ACTR Olympiada of Spoken Russian 2024, Judge (Ohio State University)