



DIVISION OF HUMAN RESOURCES AND THE LANGUAGE CENTRE

# Icelandic courses for UI employees

The Language Centre (Tungumálamiðstöð) organises, in cooperation with the division of human resources, a variety of Icelandic language courses to meet the needs of International staff. The Language Center also offers “Icelandic Online”, an online distance learning course in Icelandic as a Second Language, with or without an instructor ([www.icelandiconline.com](http://www.icelandiconline.com)).

## Icelandic for Beginners I (16 hrs)

This is a course for absolute beginners. It will be taught twice a week for two hours. Participants will work on developing all language skills: oral comprehension, oral expression, writing and reading in addition to grammar and vocabulary.

**Instructor:** Piergiorgio Consagra, Adjunct Lecturer, Icelandic and Comparative Cultural Studies.

**Time:** January 26th – February 18th, Mon and Wed 4pm-6pm.

**The minimum number of participants is 10 and the deadline for registration is January 21st 2026.**

## Icelandic for Beginners II - Online (16 hrs)

Participants will work on developing all language competences. This course is open to all those who have a basic knowledge of Icelandic and/or have completed Icelandic for beginners I at the University of Iceland or an equivalent course.

**Instructor:** Emma Björg Eyjólfsdóttir director of Ritver, The Center for Writing.

**Time:** January 19th – February 11th, Mon and Wed 4pm-6pm.

**The minimum number of participants is 10 and the deadline for registration is January 14th 2026.**

## Icelandic for Beginners II (16 hrs)

Participants will work on developing all language competences. This course is open to all those who have a basic knowledge of Icelandic and/or have completed Icelandic for beginners I at the University of Iceland or an equivalent course.

**Instructor:** Piergiorgio Consagra, Adjunct Lecturer, Icelandic and Comparative Cultural Studies.

**Time:** March 2nd – March 25th, Mon and Wed, 4pm-6pm.

**The minimum number of participants is 10 and the deadline for registration is February 25th 2026.**

## Icelandic III (12 hrs)

Participants will develop all language competences by reading authentic texts (newspapers, magazines and literature), writing short texts and practicing oral proficiency. This course is open to all those who have a basic knowledge of Icelandic and/or have completed Icelandic for beginners I and II at the UI or an equivalent courses.

**Instructor:** Piergiorgio Consagra, Adjunct Lecturer, Icelandic and Comparative Cultural Studies.

**Time:** February 3rd – February 19th, Tue and Thu, 4pm-6pm.

**The minimum number of participants is 7 and the deadline for registration is January 28th 2026.**

## Icelandic IV (12 hrs)

Participants will develop all language competences but there will be a special focus on oral proficiency. This course is open to all those who have a basic knowledge of Icelandic and/or have completed Icelandic for beginners I, II and III at the University of Iceland or equivalent courses (44 hours in total).

**Instructor:** Piergiorgio Consagra, Adjunct Lecturer, Icelandic and Comparative Cultural Studies.

**Time:** March 3rd – March 19th, Tue and Thu, 4pm-6pm.

**The minimum number of participants is 7 and the deadline for registration is February 25th 2026.**

## Icelandic V: Icelandic in academic working environment

A follow-up course on A2 level for International UI staff that have completed Icelandic I – IV or have a similar background (56 hrs.). Participants will develop all language competences but with a specific emphasis placed on vocabulary and tasks that relate to the academic environment.

**Instructors:** Piergiorgio Consagra and Emma Björg Eyjólfsdóttir.

**Time:** April 13th - 29th, Mon and Wed, 4pm-6pm, followed with tandem classes and distance learning.

**The minimum number of participants is 7 and the deadline for registration is April 8th 2026.**

**Note: this course is only for university staff and is therefore not open to spouses**

**Target group:** All International staff at the University of Iceland (including those PhD students and postdocs who are members of staff) who have completed secondary studies (equivalent to a stúdentspróf).

**Price:** Free for University staff and their spouses/partners (priority given to staff members). Learning materials included.