Russian is one of the six official languages of the United Nations

Russian is the most geographically widespread language of Eurasia and is the most widely spoken of the Slavic languages

More than 800 U.S. firms are operating in Russia, over 160 with $1+ bln in revenues such as:
- ExxonMobil, Boeing, Ford, Goldman Sachs, Coca-Cola, GE, Phillip-Morris, Procter & Gamble, 3M, HP, International Paper, Wrigley’s, IBM, Deloitte, Citibank, Caterpillar, GE, Johnson & Johnson, Delta Airlines, Motorola, Kraft Foods, etc.

More than 300 US companies are operating in Ukraine

Hermitage, one of the world’s largest museums is in Russia

Amber Room that disappeared during WW II is being restored by President Putin

Maya Plisetskaya, Russian phenomenal ballerina performed even in her 70’s

US is one of Russia’s 5 largest trade partners

US direct investment in Russia was more than $7.5 bln (one of top 12 investors) and Russia’s direct investments in the U.S. was more than $4 bln

To take advantage of travel, work and study opportunities in Russia:

Take summer Russian class

Beginning Russian I (RUS 101) - Jun 9-27, 2008
section 41094 A (3 credits)

Beginning Russian II (RUS 102) - Jul 14 – Aug 1, 2008
section 41095 B (3 credits)

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