



---

## Displaying Cyrillic Texts on the WWW

It is possible to display Cyrillic characters in web documents. Many of the resources owned and linked to from the Slavic & East European Home Page require that you know how to configure your web browser to display the two commonly used Cyrillic code pages (Windows 1251 and Internet KOI-8) as well as displaying Cyrillic through Unicode, which is becoming a more frequent practice. Select **View** from the menu of most browsers and then select the option for **Encoding**.

A more complex problem is preparing your personal computer to function in this environment, especially to be able to input Cyrillic and other non-English characters in a Search window. The following web pages provide simple instructions for enabling these functions.

- [\*\*Cyrillic \(Russian\): instructions for Windows and Internet \(Microsoft Windows\)\*\*](#) by Paul Gorodyansky provides excellent help for russifying all versions of MS Windows.
- [\*\*Russify Everything \(all platforms\)\*\*](#) from SovInformBureau provides clear step-by-step instructions to get your PC to read and write in Cyrillic. The information on this page is a bit dated in terms of providing help with different operating systems. However, it does contain basic information about the various code pages and how they are used.

### **Note on inputting the Cyrillic alphabet or characters with diacritics on Doe Library Reference Room workstations.**

Computers in the Doe Library Reference Room provide the user with the capability of selecting keyboards that will input various non-Roman alphabets or characters with diacritics used by some East European languages. This function is useful, even necessary, on pages that provide searching capabilities. Ask a staff member at the Reference Desk for a handout explaining this process.