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Major in Russian Studies
B.A. Degree

The following areas are central to the undergraduate degree in Russian:

- an awareness of the fundamental outlines of the history of Russian literature and culture from the Middle Ages to the present day;
- familiarity with the major Russian creative writers of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries;
- familiarity with the historical context of Russian literature and culture;
- an awareness of basic critical methodologies as they relate to the study of Russian literature.

In addition, students with a degree in Russian are expected to acquire:

- the ability to comprehend contemporary Russian, written or spoken, to a degree permitting sophisticated analysis of cultural texts;
- the ability to analyze Russian literary texts and give a reasoned response to them in literate English;
- the ability to write and converse in Russian at their own intellectual level. In addition to the general requirements of the College of Arts and Sciences, students who declare their major after July 1, 1997 must complete the major requirements listed below.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS
Completion of 34 hours from track A or 32 hours from tracks B and C, with grades of C- or better. (None may be taken as pass/fail.) At least 18 RUSS hours must be completed at the 3000 or 4000 level.

NOTE: RUSS 1010 and 1020 do NOT count toward the hours required for the major in Russian Studies. Students may not receive credit for both 3060 and 4010 or 4020 and 4060.

Students are required to structure their curriculum for the major in close consultation with a departmental advisor. Students with advanced Russian language skills are strongly encouraged to meet with a departmental faculty advisor to discuss language placement. Students who have Russian language transfer credit and/or students who are Russian language native or heritage speakers may enter the program at the upper-division level, up to RUSS 4010, with faculty permission.

In the case of advanced language placement, students will be required to meet with the Russian faculty advisor for Russian course substitutions and recommendations. Students who place out of Russian language courses required for the major must replace the credits with additional coursework in Russian Studies. Any substitutions to major coursework must be pre-approved by the Russian faculty advisor.

Graduating Russian Studies majors are asked to participate in an annual assessment exercise during their last (spring) semester at the university. We ask you to take the language and literature-culture exams to help evaluate the quality of the Russian Studies major. (You may also be interested in learning your level of language competence from the standardized online test.) You cannot study for the exams and they do not affect your course grades or graduation in any way.

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### Checklist for Majors in Russian Studies

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#### Track A: Russian Language and Culture (34 credit hours)

- **RUSS 2010***: Second-Year Russian 1 (4 hrs.)
- **RUSS 2020**: Second-Year Russian 2 (4 hrs.)
- **RUSS 3010**: Third-Year Russian 1 (3 hrs.)
- **RUSS 3020**: Third-Year Russian 2 (3 hrs.)

**One of the following (19th century and earlier periods):**

- **RUSS 2211***: Introduction to Russian Culture (3 hrs.)
- **RUSS 2261**: The Russian Short Story
- **RUSS 2471***: Women in Russian Culture: From Folklore to 19th Century
- **RUSS 4811**: Nineteenth-Century Russian Literature
- **RUSS 4481***: Rogues to Revolutionaries: Russian Rebels, Past and Present
- **RUSS 4861**: Absurd and Supernatural in Russian Literature
- **RUSS 3601***: Russian Culture Past and Present (study abroad)

**One of the following (20th and 21st centuries):**

- **RUSS 2221**: Introduction to Modern Russian Culture (3 hrs.)
- **RUSS 2261**: The Russian Short Story
- **RUSS 3211**: History of Russian Cinema
- **RUSS 4221**: Stalinism: Society and Culture
- **RUSS 4471**: Women in 20th-21st Century Russian Culture
- **RUSS 4481**: Rogues to Revolutionaries: Russian Rebels, Past and Present
- **RUSS 4821**: Twentieth-Century Russian Literature & Art
- **RUSS 3601**: Russian Culture Past and Present (study abroad)

**Two of the following:**

- **RUSS 3060****: Advanced Russian for Heritage Speakers 1 (4 hrs.)
- **RUSS 4060**: Advanced Russian for Heritage Speakers 2 (4 hrs.)
- **RUSS 4010**: Advanced Conversation and Composition 1 (4 hrs.)
- **RUSS 4020**: Advanced Conversation and Composition 2 (4 hrs.)

**One of the following**

- **RUSS 4210**: Open Topics: Russian Language and Culture
- **RUSS 4230**: Russian Cultural Idioms
- **RUSS 4851**: Critical Thinking: Russian Film & Society
- **RUSS 4050**: Professional Russian

*OR 6 credits of upper-division study abroad Russian language*

**One 2000-4000 level Russian or GSLL courses or courses in other departments pertaining to Russia, upon consent of advisor.**

* core course

**Students may not receive credit for both 3060 and 4010 or 4020 and 4060.**

*Note: Beginning or middle-level language course requirements may be met by transfer credit or by testing out of the course. Students who enter at and enroll in Russian language courses at the 3000 or 4000 level may not receive credit for lower-division Russian language courses unless lower-division language coursework was completed prior to registration for 3000 and 4000 level Russian language courses. Study Abroad is recommended after the second year language study.*
Track B: Russian Literature and Culture (32 credit hours)

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Aspects of Russian/Soviet/Post-Soviet Culture. Two of the following: 6 hrs.

- RUSS 2211*  Introduction to Russian Culture
- RUSS 2221*  Introduction to Modern Russian Culture
- RUSS 2222*  Sports and the Cold War
- RUSS 2501*  Russia Today
- RUSS 3601*  Russian Culture Past and Present
- RUSS 3701*  Slavic Folk Culture: Ideals and Values in the Contemporary World
- RUSS 4221*  Stalinism: Society and Culture
- RUSS 4301*  American-Russian Cultural Relations

2000-level Literature/Film Courses. One of the following: 3 hrs.

- RUSS 2231*  Fairy Tales of Russia
- RUSS 2241*  The Vampire in Literature and the Visual Arts
- RUSS 2251*  Knights and Amazons: Superheroes in Russian Epics and Film
- RUSS 2261*  The Russian Short Story
- RUSS 2471*  Women in Russian Culture: From Folklore to 19th Century

3000/4000-level Literature/Film Courses. Two of the following: 6 hrs.

- RUSS 3211*  History of Russian Cinema
- RUSS 3241*  Red Star Trek: Russian Science Fiction
- RUSS 3301  Contemporary Issues in Russian Film
- RUSS 4401*  Russian-Jewish Experience
- RUSS 4431  Dostoevsky
- RUSS 4441  Tolstoy
- RUSS 4451  Chekhov
- RUSS 4471*  Women in 20th-21st Century Russian Culture
- RUSS 4831*  Contemporary Russian Literature
- RUSS 4481*  Rogues to Revolutionaries: Russian Rebels, Past and Present
- RUSS 4861  Absurd and Supernatural in Russian Literature

Any one 3000-4000 level Russian or GSLL culture/literature or language courses or courses other departments pertaining to Russia, upon consent of advisor OR upper division study abroad language classes. 3 hrs.

* core course

Students may not receive credit for both 3060 and 4010 or 4020 and 4060.

Note: Beginning or middle-level language course requirements may be met by transfer credit or by testing out of the course. Students who enter at and enroll in Russian language courses at the 3000 or 4000 level may not receive credit for lower-division Russian language courses unless lower-division language coursework was completed prior to registration for 3000 and 4000 level Russian language courses. Study Abroad is recommended after the second year language study.
Track C: Russian Studies for Heritage Speakers (32 credit hours)

If you are a native speaker of Russian (speak or spoke Russian at home while growing up) and/or of you attended school in Russia in the former Soviet Union for 1 or more yrs. when your family lived there, you may be eligible for our heritage speakers track. Heritage speakers of Russian who wish to major in Russian should speak with our Russian advisor to map out a specific plan for their major.

RUSS 3060  Advanced Russian for Heritage Speakers 1  4 hrs.
RUSS 4060  Advanced Russian for Heritage Speakers 2  4 hrs.

*Or any other upper-division Russian language course (recommended: RUSS 4010, 4020, 4210, 4230, 4050, 4851. Note: students may not receive credit for both 3060 and 4010 or 4020 and 4060.)*

**One of the following (19th century and earlier periods):**  3 hrs.
- RUSS 2211*  Introduction to Russian Culture
- RUSS 4811*  Nineteenth-Century Russian Literature
- RUSS 3601*  Russian Culture Past and Present (study abroad)

**One of the following (20th and 21st centuries):**  3 hrs.
- RUSS 2221*  Introduction to Modern Russian Culture
- RUSS 4821*  Twentieth-Century Russian Literature & Art
- RUSS 3601*  Russian Culture Past and Present (study abroad)

**One of the following:**  3 hrs.
- RUSS 2222*  Sports and the Cold War
- RUSS 2231*  Fairy Tales of Russia
- RUSS 2241*  The Vampire in Literature and the Visual Arts
- RUSS 2261*  The Russian Short Story
- RUSS 2251*  Knights and Amazons: Superheroes in Russian Epics and Film
- RUSS 2471*  Women in Russian Culture: From Folklore to 19th Century
- RUSS 2501*  Russia Today

**Three of the following:**  9 hrs.
- RUSS 3211*  History of Russian Cinema
- RUSS 3241*  Red Star Trek
- RUSS 3301  Contemporary Issues in Russian Film
- RUSS 3701*  Slavic Folk Culture: Ideals and Values in the Contemp. World
- RUSS 4221*  Stalinism: Society and Culture
- RUSS 4301*  American-Russian Cultural Relations
- RUSS 4401*  The Russian Jewish Experience
- RUSS 4471*  Women in 20th-21st Century Russian Culture
- RUSS 4481*  Rogues to Revolutionaries: Russian Rebels, Past and Present
- RUSS 4831*  Contemporary Russian Literature

**One of the following:**  3 hrs.
- RUSS 4431  Dostoevsky
- RUSS 4441  Tolstoy
- RUSS 4451  Chekhov
- RUSS 4861  Absurd and Supernatural in Russian Literature

**One other 3000-4000 level Russian or GSLL culture/literature or language course or course in another department pertaining to Russia, upon consent of advisor**  3 hrs.

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