

RUSSIAN MAJOR

Russian Studies Major

The Russian Major is housed in our Department and is designed to provide students with the necessary skills to communicate effectively in Russian both orally and in writing. The Russian program also seeks to familiarize students with influential literary, critical, and cinematographic works in Russian, studied within their cultural and historical context. Furthermore, the program introduces students to various ethnicities, their histories and roles in shaping today's Russia. Finally, it provides them with an understanding of key social and political trends and challenges defining the Soviet and the post-Soviet era.

Requirements

The Russian major requires 27 credits (nine courses) beyond Russian 2030. Courses taught in English, such as Tolstoy and Dostoevsky or courses on Russian art, count toward the major. Students may also petition for permission to use two courses outside the department (e.g. in Russian history or Russian politics) toward the major. The department generally accepts transfer credit toward the major from summer and semester study at accredited U.S. and Russian universities. No more than four courses can be counted toward major if the student spends an entire year abroad, and no more than 3 courses for one semester abroad.

Course ID	Title	Credits
RUSS COURSES (Choose 7 Courses)		21
RUSS 2040	Intermediate Russian II	
RUSS 3030	Masterpieces Russ Lit I	
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RUSS 3250	Advanced Russian Grammar	
RUSS 3330	Oral Discussion	
RUSS 3450	Tolstoy/Dostoevsky-Trans	
RUSS 3530	Survey of Russian Art	
RUSS 3700	Russian Poetry	
RUSS 3780	Soviet Jewish Experience	
RUSS 4810	Special Topics	
RUSS 4820	Special Topics	
RUSS 4910	Independent Study	
RUSS 4920	Independent Study	
RUSS 4990	Honors Thesis	
RUSS 5000	Honors Thesis	
RUSS 5110	Capstone Component: RUSS 4810	
Elective courses outside the Department (Choose 2 Courses) ^{1,2}		6
HISE 1510	Napoleon in Russia 1812	
HISE 2250	Russia Since 1825- Present	
HISE 3250	Russia at War, 1939-1945	
HISE 3260	Putin's Russia	
HISE 3270	Lit/Soc In Russ To 1917	
HISE 3280	Lit/Soc In Russ To 1991	
HISE 6510	The Russian Revolution:1900-24	
HISE 6511	Stalin's Russia, 1924-1953	
HISE 6512	Stalins Shadow: Soviet 1953-91	
Total Credit Hours		27

¹ Russian-Related courses with department advisor approval.

² Study Abroad courses with department advisor approval.