RUSSIAN, EAST EUROPEAN, & EURASIAN STUDIES, MA AND LIBRARY & INFORMATION SCIENCE, MS

for the degrees of Master of Arts in Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies & Master of Science in Library and Information Science

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About the Joint Degree
This joint master’s degree includes a program of language and area studies courses leading to an interdisciplinary Master of Arts degree in Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies, as well as a program of study leading to the Master of Science in Library and Information Science. The joint degree matches area expertise with professional education, and prepares students for professional careers in all types of information organizations, including libraries.

Graduate Degree Programs in Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies
The Russian, East European, and Eurasian Center offers a two-year program of language and area studies courses leading to an interdisciplinary Master of Arts degree. The program is designed to meet the needs of students proceeding to disciplinary-based doctoral work and those planning non-academic professional careers with area expertise. Programs offered by the Center:

- Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies, MA (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/las/russian-east-european-eurasian-studies-ma/)
- Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies Minor (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/las/minors/russian-east-european-eurasian-studies/)
- Balkan Studies Minor (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/las/minors/balkan-studies/)
- Joint Degree in Russian, East European, & Eurasian Studies, MA and Library & Information Science, MS (p. 1)

Admission
Prospective graduate students should have completed at least two years of Russian or another language of Eastern Europe or Eurasia. Applicants must submit the Graduate College application for admission, certified transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate work, Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores (verbal, quantitative, and written), three letters of reference, and a writing sample. International students must submit Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) scores. All applicants must meet the requirements of the Graduate College. Admission is ordinarily in the fall semester, but occasional exceptions are made for spring and summer admission.

Faculty Research Interests
The faculty (https://reec.illinois.edu/people/groups/faculty/) affiliated with the Center represent a broad range of interests and methodological approaches in the social sciences and the humanities, as well as the professional schools.

Facilities and Resources
The Russian, East European, and Eurasian Center was founded in 1959 and designated a National Resource Center by the U.S. Department of Education. It serves as an intellectual and institutional hub for the University community and the public through conferences, lectures, colloquia, visiting scholars, study groups, exhibits, films, and other activities.

The annual Summer Research Laboratory on Russia, Eastern Europe, and Eurasia features special workshops, seminars, lectures, films, and other events, most of which are free and open to the public.

The International and Area Studies Library (https://www.library.illinois.edu/ias/) at the University of Illinois has one of the country’s three outstanding Slavic library collections (https://www.library.illinois.edu/ias/spx/). The Slavic Reference Service (https://www.library.illinois.edu/ias/spx/srs/) serves all faculty and students with expert bibliographers.

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Language training is provided by the Departments of Germanic Languages & Literatures (https://germanic.illinois.edu/), Linguistics (https://linguistics.illinois.edu/), and Slavic Languages & Literatures (https://slavic.illinois.edu/) in:

- Bulgarian
- Bosnian, Croatian, Serbian
- Czech
- Old Church Slavonic
- Polish
- Russian
- Turkish
- Ukrainian
- Yiddish

**Financial Aid**

Financial aid is awarded on an academic-year basis. All fellowships and assistantships include a stipend plus tuition and fee waiver. Qualified incoming students who are U.S. citizens or permanent residents should also apply for U.S. Department of Education Title VI Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) fellowships (http://publish.illinois.edu/illinoisflas/) offered through REEEC or other FLAS-granting campus centers.

Qualified students may also be eligible for other fellowships at the campus or departmental level. A limited number of teaching and graduate assistantships, which include a tuition and fee waiver, may also be available to outstanding students through REEEC and other units. The Graduate College maintains a list of available assistantships (https://grad.illinois.edu/clearinghouse/); additional information on need-based financial aid may be obtained from the Graduate College Fellowships Office (https://grad.illinois.edu/fellowships/about/).

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