RUSSIAN LANGUAGE, LITERATURE, AND CULTURE CONCENTRATION

For the Degree of Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences

Major in Sciences and Letters Curriculum

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Minimum required major courses equate to 30 hours including 6 hours in advanced language and 24 hours in literature and culture.

General education: Students must complete the Campus General Education (https://courses.illinois.edu) requirements including the campus general education language requirement.

A Major Plan of Study Form must be completed and submitted to the LAS Student Affairs Office before the end of the fifth semester (60 - 75 hours). Study abroad courses may be substituted for major and minor requirements with approval of adviser.

Minimum hours required for graduation: 120 hours

Departmental distinction: Graduation with distinction may be earned by completion of one of the following two options:

- GPA in departmental courses of 3.75; or
- GPA in departmental courses of 3.50, plus successful completion of academic study trip to the region, documented by graded transcript. See a departmental adviser to work out details, preferably two semesters before graduation.

Language: A minimum of 6 hours beyond the second year of the Russian language: RUSS 301, 302 – Third-Year Russian I, II, or equivalent

Literature and Culture: A minimum of 24 hours is required in the following areas (RUSS 401 and 402 - Fourth Year Russian I, II- can count toward the requirements of any category):

- 6 hours of Introductory Culture courses:
  - RUSS 115 Intro to Russian Culture (and)
  - Choose one of the following:
    - REES 200 Intro to Russia and Eurasia
    - RUSS 261 Intro Russian-Jewish Culture
    - SLAV 117 Russ & E Euro Science Fiction
    - SLAV 120 Russian & E Euro Folktales
- 6 hours of Literature Survey courses: Two 200-level literature or cinema courses chosen in consultation with the Undergraduate Advisor from a list maintained in the Slavic Department.
- 12 hours of Upper-level (300- and 400-level) Literature and Culture courses chosen from the following:
  - Author Courses (6 hrs.):
    - RUSS 320 Russian Writers
    - RUSS 322 Dostoevsky
    - RUSS 323 Tolstoy
    - RUSS 325 Chekhov
  - Literature and Culture Courses (6 hrs.):
    - RUSS 335 Nabokov
    - Literature and Culture Courses (6 hrs.):
      - Two 400-level literature or culture courses chosen in consultation with the Undergraduate Advisor from a list maintained in the Slavic Department.

Capstone Experience: All majors are required to complete a capstone course, project, or experience chosen from among the following:

- (1) RUSS 493 Honors Senior Thesis (2 hrs); or
- (2) a 300- or 400-level course in the Slavic Department in which a research project is undertaken; or
- (3) Study abroad in the region.

Majors should consult with the Undergraduate Advisor to plan their capstone experience.