

SLAVIC STUDIES: POLISH STUDIES, BALAS

for the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts & Sciences Major in Slavic Studies, Polish Studies Concentration

department website: <https://slavic.illinois.edu/academics/undergraduate-program>
department faculty: Slavic Faculty (<http://www.slavic.illinois.edu/directory/faculty>)
overview of college admissions & requirements: Liberal Arts & Sciences (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/las>)
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General education: Students must complete the Campus General Education (<https://courses.illinois.edu/gened/DEFAULT/DEFAULT>) requirements including the campus general education language requirement.

Minimum required major and supporting course work: equates to 30 hours including 6 hours in advanced language and 24 hours in literature and culture.

Minimum hours required for graduation: 120 hours.

Code	Title	Hours
	Language: A minimum of 6 hours beyond the second year of the Polish language: POL 301 and POL 302, or equivalent; or students may choose to complete the second year (200-level sequence) of a second Slavic language, including Russian, in addition to Polish.	6

Literature and Culture: A minimum of 24 hours is required in the following areas (POL 401 and POL 402 can count toward the requirements in any category): 24

6 hours of Introductory Culture courses:

POL 115 Intro to Polish Culture (and)

Choose one of the following:

REES 200 Intro to Russia and Eurasia

REES 201 Introduction to Eastern Europe

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 chosen in consultation with the Undergraduate Advisor from a list maintained in the Slavic Department.¹

12 hours of Upper-level (300- and 400-level) Literature and Culture courses chosen in consultation with the Undergraduate Advisor from a list maintained in the Slavic Department.¹

Capstone Experience: All majors are required to complete a capstone course, project, or experience chosen from among the following: 0-3

(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.

¹ Up to 9 hours of the literature requirement (but no more than 6 at the upper level) can be replaced by courses at the same level in other departments, chosen in consultation with and approved by the Undergraduate Advisor, that treat the history, culture, and society of Poland or the region.