# SLAVIC STUDIES: RUSSIAN LANGUAGE, LITERATURE, AND CULTURE, BALAS

**for the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts & Sciences Major in Slavic Studies, Russian Language, Literature, & Culture Concentration**

- department website: [https://slavic.illinois.edu/](https://slavic.illinois.edu/)
- department faculty: Slavic Faculty ([http://www.slavic.illinois.edu/directory/faculty](http://www.slavic.illinois.edu/directory/faculty))
- overview of college admissions & requirements: Liberal Arts & Sciences ([http://catalog.illinois.edu/schools/las/academic-units](http://catalog.illinois.edu/schools/las/academic-units))
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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.

**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.

**General education:** Students must complete the Campus General Education ([https://courses.illinois.edu/gened/DEFAULT/DEFAULT](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.

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<td>Language: A minimum of 6 hours beyond the second year of the Russian language: RUSS 301, 302 – Third-Year Russian I, II, or equivalent</td>
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<td>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):</td>
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<td>6 hours of Introductory Culture courses:</td>
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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
- 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.

Information listed in this catalog is current as of 09/2019