

RUSSIAN AREA STUDIES, MINOR

In an interconnected and sometimes dangerous world, knowledge of Russia and its surrounding regions is critical. Saint Louis University's Russian area studies minor facilitates the interdisciplinary study of Russia and its neighbors.

Curriculum Overview

SLU students select Russian language courses and supplement them with relevant courses in history, philosophy and political science to develop an interdisciplinary understanding of Russia and surrounding areas. The minor requires 18 hours of coursework.

Requirements

Students must complete a minimum total of **18 credits** for the minor.

Code	Title	Credits
Required Courses		
RUSS 2020	Intermediate Russian: Media Literacy ¹	3
Elective Courses		
Select an additional RUSS course. This may be a language or culture class. Options include:		3
RUSS 3010	Communicating in Russian: The Arts	
RUSS 3020	Communicating in Russian: History and Politics	
RUSS 3250	Russia From Peter to Putin: Imperial, Soviet, and Post-Soviet Culture	
RUSS 3320		
RUSS 3360	In Prisons Dark: Confinement Literature in the Russian and Soviet Empires	
RUSS 3440	Art, Media, & Power in Post-Soviet Russia	
Select three courses with a 'Russian Area Studies' attribute. Options include:		9
HIST 3140	Twentieth Century Europe: Era of World Wars, 1914-1945	
HIST 3250	World in Conflict Since 1945	
HIST 3290	Russia Since 1905	
PHIL 4740	Philosophy of Karl Marx	
POLS 1540	Blood and Money: Ethnic War	
POLS 2530	Soviet and Post-Soviet Politics	
POLS 3520	Communism, Capitalism and Social Justice	
POLS 3530	Comparative Revolutions	
POLS 4500	Russian Political Culture	
Select an additional elective class either with the 'Russian Area Studies' attribute or from the Russian program.		3
Total Credits		18

¹ Students who place out of this level of Russian must replace RUSS 2020 with a higher-level RUSS course.

Continuation Standards

To continue in the minor, students must maintain a 2.30 minimum cumulative GPA in Russian area studies coursework.

Non-Course Requirements

All students must submit to the program director a paper written after completing 12 credits of their minor classes (not counting language prerequisites) and present the paper at a research colloquium.

Contact Us

For additional information about this program, please contact pols-admin@slu.edu or call 314-977-3035.