

BA in Russian

Degree Program Description

The discipline of Russian studies involves the systematic, first-hand exploration of the language, literature, and cultures of diverse Russian-speaking countries and Russophone cultures around the world. The liberal arts foundation of this discipline prepares students for careers in a wide variety of fields, including journalism, tourism, diplomacy, and education.

Major Program Requirements

The major in Russian consists of 27 credits in Russian beyond RUSS 1200. Within these 27 hours, students must meet minimum requirements within two categories: language, and literature and culture (see below). The Russian faculty strongly encourages all majors to spend at least one semester (or summer) studying abroad, preferably after their second year of the language. In addition to University (<http://catalog.missouri.edu/academicdegreerequirements/universityrequirements/>), general education (<http://catalog.missouri.edu/academicdegreerequirements/generaleducationrequirements/>), and College of Arts and Science (<http://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofartsandscience/#undergraduatetext>) requirements, students must also meet the following major program requirements. All major requirements in the College of Arts and Science must be completed with grades of C- or higher unless otherwise indicated.

Major core requirements (beyond the A&S language requirement)

Four of the following courses in language or their equivalents (minimum of two at the 3000-plus level) must be included: 12

RUSS 2130	Second-Year Russian I	4
RUSS 2160	Second-Year Russian II	4
RUSS 3001	Topics in Russian-General	1-3
RUSS 3130	Intermediate Russian	3
RUSS 3160	Intermediate Conversation and Composition	3
RUSS 3630	Russian Classics I	3
RUSS 3640	Russian Classics II	3
RUSS 4160	Advanced Russian Conversation	3

Four literature and culture courses, chosen from the following, and to include at least one at the 4000-level: 12

RUSS 2100	Classics and Iconoclasts: An Introduction to Russian Literature	3
RUSS 2340	Icons and Revolutions: Russia from its Beginnings to Today	3
RUSS 2350	Understanding Russia through Film	3
RUSS 3005	Topics in Russian-Humanities	1-3
RUSS 3380	Sinners, Saints, and Madmen: 19th Century Russian Literature	3
RUSS 3390	True Fictions: Russian Prose since 1900	3
RUSS 4005	Topics in Russian-Humanities	1-3
RUSS 4350	Special Readings in Russian	1-3
RUSS 4840	Totalitarianism and Culture	3
LG_LT_CT 4850	Revolution and Media in a Global Perspective	3
RUSS 4880	Environment and Empire in Russia and Eurasia	3

Electives in Russian, chosen from courses above or others as approved by the Russian advisor. 3

Semester Plan

Below is a sample plan of study, semester by semester. A student's actual plan may vary based on course choices where options are available.

First Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
RUSS 1100		6 RUSS 1200	6
HIST 1100		3 MATH 1050, 1100, or STAT 1200	3
ENGLISH 1000		3 Course for second major/minor	3
Foundation Requirements (humanities)		3 Foundation Requirements (behavioral Sciences)	3
		15	15

Second Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
RUSS 2100		3 RUSS 2160	4
RUSS 2130		4 RUSS 2350	3
Course for second major/minor		3 Course for second major/minor	3
Foundation Requirements (sciences)		3 Foundation Requirements (humanities)	3
Foundation Requirements (social science)		3 Foundation Requirements (sciences)	3
		16	16

Third Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
RUSS 3130		3 RUSS 3160	3
RUSS 3390		3 Foundation Requirements (sciences with lab)	5
Foundation Requirements (humanities)		3 Foundation Requirements (behavioral sciences)	4
Courses for second major/minor		6 Course for second major/minor/elective	3
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Fourth Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
RUSS 4880		3 RUSS 4840	3
4000-level Russian literature/culture course		3 Capstone course for second major/elective	3
Foundation Requirements (humanities)		3 Foundation Requirements (social sciences)	3
Second major/minor/electives		5 Second major/minor/electives	5
		14	14

Total Credits: 120