The graduate/professional certificate in REECAS provides graduate students with a general background in the areas of anthropology, economics, foreign policy, geography, government and politics, history, language and literature, law, and sociology. It also provides specific knowledge about one of these areas. With its emphasis on interdisciplinary study, a REECAS certificate enhances the training of Ph.D. candidates who wish to teach and do research at the college level, and serves the needs of M.A. and Ph.D. students who wish to make a career in broadcasting, government service, journalism, library work, or other professions requiring a well-rounded acquaintance with this diverse and highly important area.

Although there is a certain amount of flexibility built into the REECAS certificate to select courses and a language involving Eastern Europe other than Russian, students seeking a career in a field connected with REECAS would do best to combine the study of another language with Russian. Czech, Finnish, Polish, Russian, Serbo-Croatian, Turkish/Azeri, and Uzbek are offered regularly; Bulgarian, Kazak, and Romanian may be taught from time to time. The certificate student, in consultation with the graduate advisor, must choose an academically coherent group of courses which focuses on a specific geographic area and language.

**Requirements**

To receive the certificate, a student must take 12 credits of required courses distributed over three programs. Of these required courses, one must be a seminar in which a research paper is written on a topic approved by the major professor. The student must demonstrate a working knowledge of one language of Eastern Europe or the former Soviet Union before beginning the second year of REECAS and will be expected to write the seminar paper utilizing original source material in the target language(s). Students should contact the program office for specific information regarding these requirements.

**People**

Faculty: Professors Gerber (chair) (Sociology), Belodubrovskaya (Communication Arts), Bethea (Slavic Languages), Brenner (Jewish Studies), Buenger (Art History), Chamberlain (History), Ciancia (History), Dale (Art History), Danaher (Slavic Languages), Derin (Languages and Cultures of Asia), Dolinin (Slavic Languages), DuBois (Scandinavian Studies), Evans-Romaine (Slavic Languages), Filipowicz (Slavic Languages), Gehlbach (Political Science), Hendley (Law, Political Science), Herrera (Political Science), Hirsch (History), Hollander (Jewish Studies), Johnson (Educational Leadership and Policy Analysis), Kaiser (Geography), Kepley (Communication Arts), Kydd (Political Science), Lapina (Slavic Languages), Livanos (Comparative Literature), Longinovic (Slavic Languages), McDonald (History), Michels (History), Miernowska (Slavic Languages), Neville (History), Radeloff (Forest and Wildlife Ecology), Reynolds (Slavic Languages), Schamiloglu (Languages and Cultures of Asia), Shevelenko (Slavic), Tishler (CREECA, Slavic Languages), Tumarkin (Slavic Languages), van de Water (Slavic Languages), Wink (History)