RUSSIAN, EAST EUROPEAN AND CENTRAL ASIAN STUDIES, MA

REQUIREMENTS

MINIMUM GRADUATE SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

Review the Graduate School minimum academic progress and degree requirements (http://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#policiesandrequirementstext), in addition to the program requirements listed below.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

MODE OF INSTRUCTION

Face to Face	Evening/ Weekend	Online	Hybrid	Accelerated
Yes	No	No	No	Yes

Mode of Instruction Definitions

Accelerated: Accelerated programs are offered at a fast pace that condenses the time to completion. Students typically take enough credits aimed at completing the program in a year or two.

Evening/Weekend: Courses meet on the UW–Madison campus only in evenings and/or on weekends to accommodate typical business schedules. Students have the advantages of face-to-face courses with the flexibility to keep work and other life commitments.

Face-to-Face: Courses typically meet during weekdays on the UW-Madison Campus.

Hybrid: These programs combine face-to-face and online learning formats. Contact the program for more specific information.

Online: These programs are offered 100% online. Some programs may require an on-campus orientation or residency experience, but the courses will be facilitated in an online format.

CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

Requirement	Detail
Minimum Credit Requirement	30 credits
Minimum Residence Credit Requirement	16 credits
Minimum Graduate Coursework Requirement	15 credits must be graduate-level coursework. Refer to the Graduate School: Minimum Graduate Coursework (50%) Requirement policy: https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244/).
Overall Graduate GPA Requirement	3.00 GPA required. Refer to the Graduate School: Grade Point Average (GPA) Requirement policy: https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203/).
Other Grade Requirements	n/a
Assessments and Examinations	Students have the option to complete a thesis. Contact the program for more information.
Language Requirements	Language learning is an integral part of the program, and students will be required to enroll in language courses each term. Students already proficient in their main language will be expected to choose another Slavic or Central Eurasian language for the duration of their program. For degree completion, students must have a minimum of two years of university-level study (or the equivalent) of a regional language with at least three years of study strongly recommended. During the academic year, the program offers Czech, Finnish, Kazak, Persian, Polish, Russian, Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian, and Turkish (Turkish–Azeri). Students entering with prior experience in Russian are required to take a pre-program assessment. Students are also required to take a language course each term. See below for more details.

REQUIRED COURSES

In addition to language classes each term, students will be required to complete a minimum of 22 non-language (area studies) credits from the course list to be distributed as follows:

1. Seven courses in Russian, East European and Central Asian Studies numbered 300 or above (21 credits). These courses must be distributed over at least three departments. At least 50% of credits applied toward the graduate degree credit requirement must be with courses designed for graduate work. Courses with the graduate level coursework attribute are identified and searchable in Guide. (https://guide.wisc.edu/courses/)
2. At least 6 of these credits (two courses) must be graduate-level **seminars** (numbered 700 through 999). Russian, East European and Central Asian Studies MA students are expected to use original language source material in their graduate seminar papers. See table below.
3. A 1-credit "Introduction to Russian, East European and Central Asian Studies" module (SLAVIC 755 Topics in Slavic Literature). The course number of this module varies, depending on the home department of the faculty director of Center for Russia, East Europe, and Central Asia (CREECA). Students are required to attend the weekly Center for Russia, East Europe, and Central Asia (CREECA) lecture series and to write four short essays based on the content of those lectures. Papers are read and evaluated by the Center for Russia, East Europe, and Central Asia (CREECA) director and associate director.
4. Students may elect to write a master's thesis, but this is not required. This 3-credit, faculty-supervised, independent research course could count toward the required 22 non-language credits, but could not take the place of a required graduate-level seminar. The master's thesis will demonstrate the student's ability to engage in original research in

his or her chosen field, including the ability to use original-language material.

General Courses

Code	Title	Credits
Agricultural and Applied Economics		
A A E/ECON/ REAL EST/ URB R PL 306	The Real Estate Process	3
A A E/INTL ST 374	The Growth and Development of Nations in the Global Economy	3
A A E/ECON 474	Economic Problems of Developing Areas	3
Asian Languages and Cultures		
ASIAN/AFRICAN/ RELIG ST 370	Islam: Religion and Culture	3-4
Anthropology		
ANTHRO 330	Topics in Ethnology [1]	3-4
ANTHRO 606	Ethnicity, Nations, and Nationalism [1]	3-4
ANTHRO 690	Problems in Anthropology [1]	3-4
Art History		
ART HIST 310	Icons, Religion, and Empire: Early Christian and Byzantine Art, ca. 200-1453	3
ART HIST 556	Proseminar in 20th Century European Art [1]	3
ART HIST 805	Seminar-Ancient Art and Architecture [1]	3
ART HIST 815	Seminar-Medieval Art [1]	3
ART HIST 856	Graduate Seminar in Twentieth Century European Art [1]	3
Communication Arts		
COM ARTS 352	Film History to 1960	3
COM ARTS 463	Avant-Garde Film	3
COM ARTS 958	Seminar in Film History [1]	2-3
Economics		
ECON/A A E/ REAL EST/ URB R PL 306	The Real Estate Process	3
ECON 390	Contemporary Economic Issues [1]	3
ECON 467	International Industrial Organizations [1]	3-4
ECON/A A E 474	Economic Problems of Developing Areas [1]	3
ECON/SOC 663	Population and Society [1]	3
Folklore		
FOLKLORE/ LITTRANS 347	In Translation: Kalevala and Finnish Folk-Lore	3-4
FOLKLORE/ RELIG ST 352	Shamanism	3
FOLKLORE/ SCAND ST 443	Sami Culture, Yesterday and Today	4
FOLKLORE/ SLAVIC 444	Slavic and East European Folklore	3
FOLKLORE 460	Folk Epics [1]	3
Geography		
GEOG 318	Introduction to Geopolitics	3
GEOG 518	Power, Place, Identity [1]	3
GEOG 918	Seminar in Political Geography [1]	2-3
GNS 324	Literatures of Central Asia	3
History		
HISTORY/ MEDIEVAL/ RELIG ST 309	The Crusades: Christianity and Islam	3-4
HISTORY 357	The Second World War	3-4
HISTORY 359	History of Europe Since 1945	3-4
HISTORY 417	History of Russia	3-4
HISTORY 418	History of Russia	3-4
HISTORY 419	History of Soviet Russia	3-4
HISTORY 420	Russian Social and Intellectual History	3-4
HISTORY 424	The Soviet Union and the World, 1917-1991	3-4
HISTORY 425	History of Poland and the Baltic Area	3-4
HISTORY 434	American Foreign Relations, 1901 to the Present	3-4
HISTORY 500	Reading Seminar in History [1]	3
HISTORY/ CURRIC/ED POL/ JEWISH 515	Holocaust: History, Memory and Education	3
HISTORY 600	Advanced Seminar in History [1]	3
HISTORY 753	Seminar-Comparative World History [1]	1-3
HISTORY/FRENCH/ GERMAN/POLI SCI/ SOC 804	Interdisciplinary Western European Area Studies Seminar [1]	3
HISTORY 849	Seminar-Topics in History of Imperial Russia, 1649-1917	1-3
HISTORY 850	Smr-Hist of the Soviet Union & Modern Hist of E Central Europe	1-3
HISTORY 891	Proseminar in Modern European History	1-3
International Business		
INTL BUS 365	Contemporary Topics [1]	1-3
INTL BUS/ REAL EST 430	International Real Estate [1]	3
Journalism and Mass Communication		
JOURN 620	International Communication [1]	4
Literature in Translation		
LITTRANS/ FOLKLORE 347	In Translation: Kalevala and Finnish Folk-Lore	3-4
LITTRANS 455	Modern Serbian and Croatian Literature in Translation	3
LITTRANS 473	Polish Literature (in Translation) since 1863	3
Political Science		
POLI SCI 334	Russian Politics	3-4
POLI SCI 340	The European Union: Politics and Political Economy	3-4
POLI SCI 401	Selected Topics in Political Science [1]	3-4

POLI SCI 421	The Challenge of Democratization	3-4
POLI SCI/ INTL ST 439	The Comparative Study of Genocide	3-4
POLI SCI 534	Socialism and Transitions to the Market	3-4
POLI SCI 659	Politics and Society: Contemporary Eastern Europe	3-4
POLI SCI/FRENCH/ GERMAN/HISTORY/ SOC 804	Interdisciplinary Western European Area Studies Seminar	3
POLI SCI 814	Social Identities: Definition and Measurement [1]	3
POLI SCI 854	Nationalism and Ethnic Conflict	3
POLI SCI 948	Seminar: Topics in Comparative Politics [1]	3
POLI SCI 949	Seminar-Post Communist Politics	3
Slavic Languages		
SLAVIC 342	Introduction to Serbian and Croatian Literature	3
SLAVIC 405	Women in Russian Literature	3-4
SLAVIC 420	Chekhov	3-4
SLAVIC 421	Gogol	3-4
SLAVIC 422	Dostoevsky	3-4
SLAVIC 424	Tolstoy	3-4
SLAVIC 433	History of Russian Culture	3
SLAVIC 434	Contemporary Russian Culture	3
SLAVIC 440	Soviet Literature	3-4
SLAVIC 449	History of Serbo-Croatian Literature	3
SLAVIC 454	Modern Serbo-Croatian Literature	3
SLAVIC 470	History of Polish Literature until 1863	3
SLAVIC 472	History of Polish Literature after 1863	3
SLAVIC 701	Survey of Old Russian Literature	2
SLAVIC 702	Eighteenth-Century Russian Literature	2
SLAVIC 705	Special Topics in Russian Language/ Linguistics	3
SLAVIC 755	Topics in Slavic Literature	1-3
SLAVIC 801	Slavic Critical Theory and Practice	3
SLAVIC 802	The Structure of Russian	2
SLAVIC 803	Introduction to Old Church Slavonic and the History of Russian Literary Language	2
SLAVIC 804	Methods of Teaching Slavic Languages	2
SLAVIC 820	College Teaching of Russian	1
SLAVIC 900	Seminar: Slavic Literature and Culture	1-3
Scandinavian Studies		
SCAND ST/ FOLKLORE 443	Sami Culture, Yesterday and Today	4
SCAND ST/ MEDIEVAL 444	Kalevala and Finnish Folk-Lore	4
Sociology		
SOC 496	Topics in Sociology [1]	1-3
SOC 621	Class, State and Ideology: an Introduction to Marxist Social Science [1]	3
SOC 633	Social Stratification [1]	3
SOC/FRENCH/ GERMAN/HISTORY/ POLI SCI 804	Interdisciplinary Western European Area Studies Seminar [1]	3
SOC/C&E SOC 929	Seminar: Class Analysis and Historical Change	3
Theatre and Drama		
THEATRE 911	Seminar-Problems in Theatre and Drama [1]	2-3

Seminar Courses

Code	Title	Credits
GEOG 918	Seminar in Political Geography	2-3
HISTORY 753	Seminar-Comparative World History	1-3
HISTORY 849	Seminar-Topics in History of Imperial Russia, 1649-1917	1-3
HISTORY 850	Smr-Hist of the Soviet Union & Modern Hist of E Central Europe	1-3
HISTORY 891	Proseminar in Modern European History	1-3
POLI SCI 854	Nationalism and Ethnic Conflict	3
SLAVIC 800	Proseminar-Slavic Literature and Culture	1
SLAVIC 900	Seminar: Slavic Literature and Culture	1-3

Language Courses

Code	Title	Credits
ASIALANG 137	First Semester Persian	4
ASIALANG 138	Second Semester Persian	4
ASIALANG 237	Third Semester Persian	4
ASIALANG 238	Fourth Semester Persian	4
ASIALANG 337	Fifth Semester Persian	3-4
ASIALANG 338	Sixth Semester Persian	3-4
GNS 329	Elementary Summer Immersion Turkish	8
GNS 331	First Semester Kazakh	4
GNS 332	Second Semester Kazakh	4
GNS 339	First Semester Turkish	4
GNS 340	Second Semester Turkish	4
GNS 351	First Semester Central Eurasian Language	4
GNS 352	Second Semester Central Eurasian Language	4
GNS 370	Topics in GNS (Intermediate)	3
GNS 429	Intermediate Summer Immersion Turkish	8
GNS 431	Third Semester Kazakh	4
GNS 432	Fourth Semester Kazakh	4
GNS 439	Third Semester Turkish	4
GNS 440	Fourth Semester Turkish	4

GNS 451	Third Semester Central Eurasian Language	4
GNS 452	Fourth Semester Central Eurasian Language	4
GNS 529	Advanced Summer Immersion Turkish	8
GNS 531	Fifth Semester Kazakh	3-4
GNS 532	Sixth Semester Kazakh	3-4
GNS 539	Fifth Semester Turkish and Azeri	3-4
GNS 540	Sixth Semester Turkish and Azeri	3-4
GNS 551	Fifth Semester Central Eurasian Language	4
GNS 552	Sixth Semester Central Eurasian Language	4
SLAVIC 101	First Semester Russian	4
SLAVIC 102	Second Semester Russian	4
SLAVIC 111	First Semester Polish	4
SLAVIC 112	Second Semester Polish	4
SLAVIC 115	First Semester Czech	4
SLAVIC 116	Second Semester Czech	4
SLAVIC 117	Intensive Second Year Russian	4
SLAVIC 118	Intensive Second Year Russian	4
SLAVIC 203	Third Semester Russian	4
SLAVIC 204	Fourth Semester Russian	4
SLAVIC 207	Third Semester Polish	4
SLAVIC 208	Fourth Semester Polish	4
SLAVIC 217	Third Semester Czech	4
SLAVIC 218	Fourth Semester Czech	4
SLAVIC 275	Third Year Russian I	3
SLAVIC 276	Third Year Russian II	3
SLAVIC 277	Third Year Polish I	3
SLAVIC 278	Third Year Polish II	3
SLAVIC 279	Intensive Third Year Russian	8
SLAVIC 301	Introduction to Intensive Polish	3
SLAVIC 304	Fourth Semester Intensive Polish	4
SLAVIC 305	Fifth Semester Intensive Polish	3
SLAVIC 306	Sixth Semester Intensive Polish	3
SLAVIC 315	Russian Language and Culture I	3
SLAVIC 321	Fourth Year Russian I	3
SLAVIC 322	Fourth Year Russian II	3
SLAVIC 331	Fourth Year Polish I	3
SLAVIC 332	Fourth Year Polish II	3
SLAVIC 351	First Semester Intensive Czech	3
SLAVIC 352	Second Semester Intensive Czech	3
SLAVIC 451	Third Semester Intensive Czech	3
SLAVIC 452	Fourth Semester Intensive Czech	3
SLAVIC 705	Special Topics in Russian Language/ Linguistics	3

[1] When topic is Russia, Eastern Europe, or Central Asia.