

RUSSIAN, EAST EUROPEAN AND CENTRAL ASIAN STUDIES, M.A.

REQUIREMENTS

MINIMUM GRADUATE SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

Review the Graduate School minimum academic progress and degree requirements (<http://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#policiesandrequirements>), 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 are able to complete a program with minimal disruptions to careers and other commitments.

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

Requirements Detail	
Minimum Credit Requirement	30 credits
Minimum Residence Credit Requirement	16 credits
Minimum Graduate Coursework Requirement	Half of degree coursework (15 credits out of 30 total credits) must be completed graduate-level coursework; courses with the Graduate Level Coursework attribute are identified and searchable in the university's Course Guide (https://registrar.wisc.edu/course-guide (https://registrar.wisc.edu/course-guide/)).
Overall Graduate GPA Requirement	3.00 GPA required.

Other Grade Requirements The Graduate School requires an average grade of B or better in all coursework (300 or above, not including research credits) taken as a graduate student unless conditions for probationary status require higher grades. Grades of Incomplete are considered to be unsatisfactory if they are not removed during the next enrolled semester.

Assessments and Examinations Contact the program for information on required assessments and examinations.

Language Requirements Contact the program for information on any language requirements.

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:

- Seven courses in Russian, East European and Central Asian studies at or above the 300 level (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 the University's Course Guide (http://public.my.wisc.edu/portal/f/u12411s4/p/CourseGuide-Browse-Courses.u12411n31/detached/render.uP?pCm=view&pP_action=advancedSearch&pP_form-submit=true).
- At least 6 of these credits (two courses) must be graduate-level **seminars** (700 through 900 level). REECAS M.A. students are expected to use original language source material in their graduate seminar papers.
- A 1-credit "Introduction to REECAS" module (SLAVIC 755 Topics in Slavic Literature). The course number of this module varies, depending on the home department of the faculty director of CREECA. Students are required to attend the weekly CREECA lecture series and to write four short essays based on the content of those lectures. Papers are read and evaluated by the CREECA director and associate director.
- 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.

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).

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	GNS 324	Literatures of Central Asia	3
A A E/ECON 474	Economic Problems of Developing Areas	3	History		
Asian Languages and Cultures			HISTORY/ MEDIEVAL/ RELIG ST 309	The Crusades: Christianity and Islam	3-4
ASIAN/AFRICAN/ RELIG ST 370	Islam: Religion and Culture	3-4	HISTORY 357	The Second World War	3-4
Anthropology			HISTORY 359	History of Europe Since 1945	3-4
ANTHRO 330	Topics in Ethnology ¹	3-4	HISTORY 417	History of Russia	3-4
ANTHRO 606	Ethnicity, Nations, and Nationalism ¹	3-4	HISTORY 418	History of Russia	3-4
ANTHRO 690	Problems in Anthropology ¹	3-4	HISTORY 419	History of Soviet Russia	3-4
Art History			HISTORY 420	Russian Social and Intellectual History	3-4
ART HIST 310	Icons, Religion, and Empire: Early Christian and Byzantine Art, ca. 200-1453	3	HISTORY 424	The Soviet Union and the World, 1917-1991	3-4
ART HIST 351	20th Century Art in Europe	3-4	HISTORY 425	History of Poland and the Baltic Area	3-4
ART HIST 556	Proseminar in 20th Century European Art ¹	3	HISTORY 434	American Foreign Relations, 1901 to the Present	3-4
ART HIST 805	Seminar-Ancient Art and Architecture ¹	3	HISTORY 439		3-4
ART HIST 815	Seminar-Medieval Art ¹	3	HISTORY 475		3-4
ART HIST 856	Graduate Seminar in Twentieth Century European Art ¹	3	HISTORY 500	Reading Seminar in History ¹	3
Communication Arts			HISTORY/CURRIC/ JEWISH 515	Holocaust: History, Memory and Education	3
COM ARTS 352	Film History to 1960	3	HISTORY/HIST SCI/ MED HIST/ MEDIEVAL/ S&A PHM 562	Byzantine Medicine and Pharmacy	3
COM ARTS 456	Russian and Soviet Film	3	HISTORY 600	Advanced Seminar in History ¹	3
COM ARTS 463	Avant-Garde Film	3	HISTORY 753	Seminar-Comparative World History ¹	1-3
COM ARTS 958	Seminar in Film History ¹	2-3	HISTORY/FRENCH/ GERMAN/POLI SCI/ SOC 804	Interdisciplinary Western European Area Studies Seminar ¹	3
Economics			HISTORY 849	Seminar-Topics in History of Imperial Russia, 1649-1917	1-3
ECON/A A E/ REAL EST/ URB R PL 306	The Real Estate Process	3	HISTORY 850	Smr-Hist of the Soviet Union & Modern Hist of E Central Europe	1-3
ECON 364	Survey of International Economics	3-4	HISTORY 891	Proseminar in Modern European History	1-3
ECON 390	Contemporary Economic Issues ¹	3	International Business		
ECON 467	International Industrial Organizations ¹	3-4	INTL BUS 365	Contemporary Topics ¹	1-3
ECON/A A E 474	Economic Problems of Developing Areas ¹	3	INTL BUS/ REAL EST 430	International Real Estate ¹	3
ECON/SOC 663	Population and Society ¹	3	Journalism and Mass Communication		
Folklore			JOURN 620	International Communication ¹	4
FOLKLORE/ LITTRANS 347	In Translation: Kalevala and Finnish Folk-Lore	3-4	JOURN 621	Mass Communication in Developing Nations ¹	4
FOLKLORE/ RELIG ST 352	Shamanism	3	Law		
FOLKLORE/ SCAND ST 443	Sami Culture, Yesterday and Today	4	LAW 828	International Transactions	2-3
FOLKLORE/ SLAVIC 444	Slavic and East European Folklore	3	LAW 918	Selected Problems in International Law-Seminar ¹	2-3
FOLKLORE 460	Folk Epics ¹	3	LAW 942	European Union Law	2-3
Geography			Literature in Translation		
GEOG 318	Introduction to Geopolitics	3	LITTRANS/ FOLKLORE 347	In Translation: Kalevala and Finnish Folk-Lore	3-4
GEOG 353		3			
GEOG 518	Power, Place, Identity ¹	3			
GEOG 918	Seminar in Political Geography ¹	2-3			

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 351	Politics of the World 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 561	Radical Political Theory	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 302	Zarys historii literatury polskiej	3
SLAVIC 342	Uvod u srpsku i hrvatsku literaturu	3
SLAVIC 350	Special Topics in Russian Language, Literature, and Culture	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	Istorija srpske i hrvatske literature	3
SLAVIC 454	Moderna srpska i hrvatska literatura	3
SLAVIC 470	Historia literatury polskiej do roku 1863	3
SLAVIC 472	Historia literatury polskiej po roku 1863	3
SLAVIC/ THEATRE 532	History of Russian Theatre	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
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/ SLAVIC 532	History of Russian Theatre	3
THEATRE 911	Seminar-Problems in Theatre and Drama ¹	2-3

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