1. Minimally acquire intermediate proficiency in an East Central European Language (Czech, Polish, or SerboCroatian).

2. Develop and apply writing skills and oral communications skills appropriate to Liberal Arts education in the context of Slavic studies to the literatures and cultures of the region.

3. Develop and apply critical-thinking skills inherent in the Liberal Arts tradition to the literature and culture of the region.

4. Analyze and interpret cultural products of the region (i.e. works of literature, films, etc.) in themselves and in the context of specific historical and cultural conditions.