Russian, B.S.

Russian is a National Security Education Program Critical Language. Students in the Russian major not only learn the language but become familiar with the treasure of Russian cultural heritage in literature, visual art, theater, and music.

The Russian major is designed to meet the needs of students who begin to study the language in college as well as those who began to study the language in high school. One unit (year) of high school coursework is roughly equivalent to one semester of college work; all incoming students, however, who want to continue their study of Russian are assigned to courses on the basis of placement tests. These tests may admit a student to a more advanced course, but give no credit toward graduation. However, retroactive credits can be granted in recognition of previous language study. Students should speak with their instructor regarding retroactive credits during the first week of class.

How to Get In

To declare a major in Russian, students should make an appointment with the Russian undergraduate advisor.

Requirements

University General Education Requirements

All undergraduate students at the University of Wisconsin–Madison are required to fulfill a minimum set of common university general education requirements to ensure that every graduate acquires the essential core of an undergraduate education. This core establishes a foundation for living a productive life, being a citizen of the world, appreciating aesthetic values, and engaging in lifelong learning in a continually changing world. Various schools and colleges will have requirements in addition to the requirements listed below. Consult your advisor for assistance, as needed. For additional information, see the university Undergraduate General Education Requirements (http://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/#requirementsforundergraduatestudenttext) section of the Guide.

General Education

- Breadth—Humanities/Literature/Arts: 6 credits
- Breadth—Natural Science: 4 to 6 credits, consisting of one 4- or 5-credit course with a laboratory component; or two courses providing a total of 6 credits
- Breadth—Social Studies: 3 credits
- Communication Part A & Part B *
- Ethnic Studies *
- Quantitative Reasoning Part A & Part B *

* The mortarboard symbol appears before the title of any course that fulfills one of the Communication Part A or Part B, Ethnic Studies, or Quantitative Reasoning Part A or Part B requirements.

College of Letters & Science Breadth and Degree Requirements: Bachelor of Science (B.S.)

Students pursuing a bachelor of science degree in the College of Letters & Science must complete all of the requirements below. The College of Letters & Science allows this major to be paired with either a bachelor of arts or a bachelor of science curriculum. View a comparison of the degree requirements here. (https://pubs.wisc.edu/home/archives/ug15/images/babs2009.pdf)

Bachelor of Science Degree Requirements

Mathematics

Two (2) 3+ credits of intermediate/advanced level MATH, COMP SCI, STAT

Limit one each: COMP SCI, STAT

Foreign Language

Complete the third unit of a foreign language

Note: A unit is one year of high school work or one semester/term of college work.

L&S Breadth

- Humanities, 12 credits: 6 of the 12 credits must be in literature
- Social Sciences, 12 credits
- Natural Sciences, 12 credits: must include 6 credits in biological science and must include 6 credits in physical science

Liberal Arts and Science Coursework

108 credits

Depth of Intermediate/Advanced Work

60 intermediate or advanced credits

Major

Declare and complete at least one (1) major

Total Credits

120 credits

UW-Madison Experience

30 credits in residence, overall

30 credits in residence after the 86th credit

Minimum GPAs

2.000 in all coursework at UW–Madison

2.000 in intermediate/advanced coursework at UW–Madison

Non-L&S Students Pursuing an L&S Major

Non–L&S students who have permission from their school/college to pursue an additional major within L&S only need to fulfill the major requirements and do not need to complete the L&S breadth and degree requirements above. Please note that the following special degree programs are not considered majors so are not available to non-L&S-degree-seeking candidates:

- Applied Mathematics, Engineering and Physics (Bachelor of Science–Applied Mathematics, Engineering and Physics)
- Journalism (Bachelor of Arts–Journalism; Bachelor of Science–Journalism)
- Music (Bachelor of Music)
- Social Work (Bachelor of Social Work)
REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MAJOR

The Russian major requires 35 credits, which may be completed from one of two concentrations.

CORE LANGUAGE & CULTURE

Regardless of concentration, all students pursuing the Russian major must complete the following core courses:

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Culture through Literature (complete one):

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<tr>
<td>LITTRANS 233</td>
<td>Russian Life and Culture Through Literature and Art (to 1917)</td>
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<td>Soviet Life and Culture Through Literature and Art (from 1917)</td>
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Total Credits 23-24

CONCENTRATIONS

Language & Literature

Note: Students concentrating their studies in Russian–Language and Literature are eligible to declare the certificate in Russian, East European, and Central Asian studies (http://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/letters-science/institute-regional-international-studies/russian-east-european-central-asian-certificate/).

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<td>Survey of 19th and 20th Century Russian Literature in Translation II</td>
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<td>SLAVIC 405</td>
<td>Women in Russian Literature</td>
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<td>Chekhov</td>
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<td>Gogol</td>
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<td>SLAVIC 422</td>
<td>Dostoevsky</td>
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<td>SLAVIC 424</td>
<td>Tolstoy</td>
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<td>SLAVIC 440</td>
<td>Soviet Literature</td>
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Total Credits 12

1 It is preferable to take these LITTRANS courses in numerical sequence, though they may be taken out of sequence.

Language & Civilization

Note: Students concentrating their studies in Russian–Language and Civilization are not eligible to declare the certificate in Russian, East European, and Central Asian studies (http://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/letters-science/institute-regional-international-studies/russian-east-european-central-asian-certificate/).

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<td>Russia: An Interdisciplinary Survey</td>
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<td>COM ARTS 456</td>
<td>Russian and Soviet Film</td>
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<td>ECON 390</td>
<td>Contemporary Economic Issues</td>
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<td>GEOG 353</td>
<td>Russia and the NIS-Topical Analysis</td>
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<td>HISTORY 417</td>
<td>History of Russia</td>
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<td>History of Soviet Russia</td>
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<td>HISTORY 420</td>
<td>Russian Social and Intellectual History</td>
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<td>HISTORY/CHICLA/ POLI SCI 422</td>
<td>Latino History and Politics</td>
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<td>HISTORY 600</td>
<td>Advanced Seminar in History</td>
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<td>POLI SCI 401</td>
<td>Selected Topics in Political Science</td>
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<td>POLI SCI 534</td>
<td>Socialism and Transitions to the Market</td>
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<td>POLI SCI 334</td>
<td>Russian Politics</td>
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<td>History of Russian Culture</td>
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<td>Contemporary Russian Culture</td>
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<td>THEATRE/ SLAVIC 532</td>
<td>History of Russian Theatre</td>
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Total Credits 13

2 Eligible only when the topic focuses on Russia.

3 SLAVIC 433 and SLAVIC 434 are taught in Russian; enrollment requires consent of the instructor.

RESIDENCE AND QUALITY OF WORK

- 2.000 GPA in all major courses
- 2.000 GPA on 15 upper-level credits for the major, taken in residence
- 15 credits in the major, taken on campus

Upper-Level Courses in the Major

The following courses are upper-level in the Russian major:

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<td>SLAVIC 309</td>
<td>Russian Area Studies on Study Abroad</td>
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SLAVIC 321  Fourth Year Russian I
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SLAVIC 422  Dostoevsky
SLAVIC 424  Tolstoy
SLAVIC 440  Soviet Literature
SLAVIC/FOLKLORE 444  Slavic and East European Folklore
SLAVIC/ THEATRE 532  History of Russian Theatre
SLAVIC 681  Senior Honors Thesis
SLAVIC 682  Senior Honors Thesis
SLAVIC 699  Directed Study

Quality of Work
Undergraduate students must maintain the minimum grade point average specified by the school, college, or academic program to remain in good academic standing. Students whose academic performance drops below these minimum thresholds will be placed on academic probation.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. (Russian language proficiency) Develop speaking, listening, writing, and reading skills and integrate these skills to communicate in Russian in a variety of social situations.
2. Develop and apply writing skills and oral communication skills appropriate to liberal arts education in the context of Slavic studies.
3. Develop and apply critical thinking skills inherent in the liberal arts tradition in the context of Slavic studies.
4. (Language & Literature Track and Native Speaker Track) Analyze and interpret works of literature in themselves and in the context of specific historical and cultural conditions.
5. (Language & Civilization Track) Demonstrate insight into Russian culture and civilization and apply this knowledge across disciplines such as history, political science, the arts, geography, business, economics, sociology, the sciences, gender studies, philosophy, law, and folklore.

FOUR-YEAR PLAN

SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR PLAN

This Sample Four-Year Plan is a tool to assist students and their advisor(s). Students should use it—along with their DARS report, the Degree Planner, and Course Search & Enroll tools—to make their own four-year plan based on their placement scores, credit for transferred courses and approved examinations, and individual interests. As students become involved in athletics, honors, research, student organizations, study abroad, volunteer experiences, and/or work, they might adjust the order of their courses to accommodate these experiences. Students will likely revise their own four-year plan several times during college.

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<td>GERMAN/JEWISH 267</td>
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<td>Quantitative Reasoning A</td>
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<td>Social Science Breadth</td>
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Freshman

Residency
Degree candidates are required to earn a minimum of 30 credits in residence at UW–Madison. "In residence" means on the UW–Madison campus with an undergraduate degree classification. "In residence" credit also includes UW–Madison courses offered in distance or online formats and credits earned in UW–Madison Study Abroad/Study Away programs.

HONORS IN THE MAJOR

Students may declare Honors in the Major in consultation with the Russian Honors advisor (atumarki@wisc.edu).

To earn Honors in the Major, students must satisfy both the requirements for the major (above) and the following additional requirements:

• Minimum 3.300 University GPA
• Minimum 3.500 GPA in SLAVIC 205 through SLAVIC 699 and all courses in the major
• 20 credits in the major taken for Honors, in Residence, not through Study Abroad, with grades of B or better in these courses:
  • SLAVIC 275, SLAVIC 276, SLAVIC 321, SLAVIC 322
  • A Senior Honor Thesis in SLAVIC 681 and SLAVIC 682 for at least 6 credits

DISTINCTION IN THE MAJOR

Students who are not pursuing Honors in the Major, and who distinguish themselves in the quality of their work, may request that Distinction in the Major be noted on their transcript. The major advisor will determine eligibility—at a minimum, a 3.500 major GPA and an acceptable Senior Thesis are required.

UNIVERSITY DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Total Degree
To receive a bachelor’s degree from UW–Madison, students must earn a minimum of 120 degree credits. The requirements for some programs may exceed 120 degree credits. Students should consult with their college or department advisor for information on specific credit requirements.

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Quantitative Reasoning B 3-4 Physical Science Breadth 3
Elective 4 Elective 4
INTER-LS 210 1

16 15

Junior

Fall Credits Spring Credits
SLAVIC 275 3 SLAVIC 276 3
SLAVIC 315 3 SLAVIC 316 3
LITTRANS 233 3-4 Russian Area Studies Course 3-4

Science Breadth 3 Science Breadth 3
Elective 4 Elective 4

16 16

Senior

Fall Credits Spring Credits
SLAVIC 321 3 SLAVIC 322 3
Russian Area Studies Course 3-4 Russian Area Studies Course 3-4
Electives 9 Electives 8

15 14

Total Credits 120

ADVISING AND CAREERS

For placement in Russian contact Anna Tumarkin (atumarki@wisc.edu).

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For information on the Russian Flagship Program contact Laura Weigel (lweigel@wisc.edu) or visit the program page (https://russianflagship.wisc.edu/).

For other undergraduate concerns, please contact our undergraduate coordinator:

Joanna Schuth, Undergraduate Advisor
jschuth@wisc.edu (undergrad@gns.wisc.edu)
608-262-2090
836 Van Hise
Make an appointment through Starfish (https://wisc.starfishsolutions.com/starfish-ops/)

For additional career advising, please contact:

SuccessWorks at the College of Letters & Science
711 State Street, Suite 300
Madison, WI 53703
608-262-3921
SuccessWorks@ls.wisc.edu

L&S CAREER RESOURCES

SuccessWorks at the College of Letters & Science helps students leverage the academic skills learned in their major, certificates, and liberal arts degree; explore and try out different career paths; participate in internships; prepare for the job search and/or graduate school applications; and network with professionals in the field (alumni and employers). In short, SuccessWorks helps students in the College of Letters & Science discover themselves, find opportunities, and develop the skills they need for success after graduation.

SuccessWorks can also assist students in career advising, résumé and cover letter writing, networking opportunities, and interview skills, as well as course offerings for undergraduates to begin their career exploration early in their undergraduate career.

Students should set up their profiles in Handshake (https://careers.ls.wisc.edu/handshake/) to take care of everything they need to explore career events, manage their campus interviews, and apply to jobs and internships from 200,000+ employers around the country.

- SuccessWorks (https://careers.ls.wisc.edu/)
- Set up a career advising appointment (https://careers.ls.wisc.edu/make-an-appointment/)
- INTER-LS 210 & S Career Development: Taking Initiative (1 credit, targeted to first- and second-year students)—for more information, see Inter-LS 210: Career Development, Taking Initiative (https://careers.ls.wisc.edu/inter-ls-210-career-development-taking-initiative/)
- INTER-LS 215 Communicating About Careers (3 credits, fulfills Com B General Education Requirement)
- Handshake (https://careers.ls.wisc.edu/handshake/)
- Learn how we’re transforming career preparation: L&S Career Initiative (http://ls.wisc.edu/lsci/)

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