RUSSIAN MAJOR (B.A.)

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Description

The Russian program provides students with an opportunity to study one of the world’s most important languages, its literature, and its culture. In addition to the intrinsic value of Russian language, literature, and culture as a liberal arts experience, majoring in Russian leads to a number of careers, such as teaching, translation and interpreting, government, and the Foreign Service. The knowledge of the language and cultural proficiency is also a valuable asset in preparing you for careers in law, economics, and international trade. All Russian majors are strongly encouraged to double major or include a relevant minor in their studies.

If you would like more information please contact the program coordinator Arna.Bronstein@unh.edu.

Requirements

New students will be assigned to the proper course after consultation with the Russian faculty. A student may not receive UNH credit for elementary Russian courses if he or she has had two or more years of secondary school Russian; however, a student may petition the Russian program to be admitted to the 400-level courses for credit. In the 503-790 range, a grade of C or better is required to advance to the next course in the language series (503, 504, 631, 632, 790).

The Russian major consists of a minimum of 40 credits above RUSS 402 Elementary Russian II. Specific course requirements are:

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One Culture Course

Select one of the following:

- RUSS #425 Introduction to Russia: Contemporary Society and Culture
- RUSS 425M Topics in Russian Culture and Society in Moscow
- RUSS 525 Russia: Mythology and Propaganda
- RUSS 525M Russia: Mythology and Propaganda in Moscow

Two Literature Courses

Select one of the following:

- RUSS 691 Readings in Russian Literature
- RUSS 500 Selected Topics in World Literature
- RUSS #521 Devils, Deities, and Madness in Russian Literature
- RUSS #522W Morality, Sex and Revolution in Russian Literature

Capstone Course

Select one of the following:

- RUSS 721 Topics in Contemporary Russian Literature: From Chekhov to Post-Modernism
- RUSS 725 Topics in Russian Culture and Society
- RUSS 733 History of Slavic Languages and Culture

Study Abroad

Majors are required to spend a semester or summer on an approved study abroad program in Russia, RUSS 685 or RUSS 686

Total Credits 40

Majors are required to take RUSS 631 Advanced Russian Conversation and Composition-RUSS 632 Advanced Russian Conversation and Composition and at least one 700-level Russian course at the Durham campus.

Transfer students must earn a minimum of 12 major credits at the Durham campus.

Candidates for a degree must satisfy all of the University Discovery Program requirements in addition to satisfying the requirements of each individual major program. Bachelor of arts candidates must also satisfy the foreign language proficiency requirement.

Russian majors may use two major-required courses to satisfy two Discovery category requirements. In addition, Russian majors may take RUSS #521 Devils, Deities, and Madness in Russian Literature to satisfy both a Discovery Inquiry requirement and a major requirement.

The required minimum overall GPA in major coursework is 2.0.