Russian Studies

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This minor offers students a broad, cross disciplinary perspective on Russian culture, history, political institutions, economy and geography. It deepens the students’ understanding and knowledge of the Russian and non-Russian peoples of the former Soviet Union, and prepares them for careers in teaching, government and international business.

The Russian Studies minor requires 18 credits with a minimum of six credits of Russian language. Students should take courses in at least three different disciplines.

Courses Credit Hours
ECON 312. Comparative Economic Systems
HIST 385. The Russian Empire to 1881
HIST 386. Russia and the Soviet Union 1881–1991
HIST 474. Stalinism in Theory, Practice and Memory
HIST 475. Modern Russia
POSC 337. Russia and Post-Soviet Politics
HUM 200. Great Works (Russian Literature in Translation)
RUS 300. Russian Grammar and Communication
RUS 308. Introduction to Russian Civilization
RUS 315. Russian Phonetics
RUS 320. Russian Oral and Written Communication
RUS 400. Advanced Russian Conversation
RUS 405. Russian Literature of the 19th Century
RUS 406. Russian Literature of the 20th Century
RUS 438. Studies in Russian Literature
Students may include one course from the following:
ECON 490. Special Studies in Economics
FL 490. Special Studies in Foreign Languages (Russian)
GEOG 490. Senior Project II
HIST 399. Special Studies in History
POSC 490. Senior Tutorial in Political Science

Special topics courses can be applied to the minor with approval of the program coordinator. Students may also earn credit by studying in a program in Russia or any of the former Soviet states.