

AREAS OF INTEREST

Russian in Moscow

The JMU Russian program in Moscow is a unique opportunity to study the Russian language of any level at Moscow State University. Along with classes, there will be educational excursions such as tours of Moscow, the Kremlin, Red Square and the famous Armory Museum, Novodevichii Monastery, Cathedrals and churches and more!

Instructional methods include lectures, guided tours, field work, journal assignments and/or papers, tests and exams.

Russian Table

The Russian Table offers a chance to practice Russian conversation in an informal atmosphere. Please check the Foreign Language website (www.jmu.edu/forlang/tables.html) for times and places.

Elizabeth B. Neatrou Russian Studies Lecture Series

The series offers semesterly lectures on Russian topics, given by invited experts in the field. The lectures are free and open to the public. The lectures are usually given in April and October, but for exact dates and topics, please check the Foreign Language website (www.jmu.edu/forlang).

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RUSSIAN STUDIES

AT JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY



THE MINOR

This minor offers students a broad, cross disciplinary perspective on Russian culture, history, political institutions, economy and geography. The program 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 6 credits of Russian language. Students should take courses in at least three different disciplines. Special topics courses not listed can be applied to the minor degree 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.

For further information concerning the Russian Studies minor, please contact:

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COURSES

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

HUM 200. Great Works (Russian Literature in Translation)

RUS 300. Grammar and Communication

RUS 308. Introduction to Russian Civilization

RUS 315. Russian Phonetics

RUS 320. Russian Oral and Written Communication

RUS 400. Advanced Conversation

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 Research or Field Practicum

HIST 399. Special Studies