

RUSSIAN AND SLAVIC STUDIES (MINOR)

Department Website (<http://as.nyu.edu/russianslavic/>)

Program Description

Through a broad range of courses in Russian and Czech literature, language, history, film, and culture, the department aims to give students a thorough understanding of part of the Slavic world. Whether in popular lecture courses treating the Russian classics in translation, surveys of modern East European history and politics, or small seminars devoted to the close study of texts and primary sources in the original languages, faculty members are committed to conveying to students the vibrancy of these cultures, which have been and continue to be central to the development of modern Europe.

Students are encouraged to work at internships with charitable and business organizations that have connections with Russia. New York City has the largest Russian community in the United States; it offers varied cultural activities, Russian newspapers, and bookstores. The New York Public Library is an outstanding repository of Russian and Slavic materials.

Minor Declaration

To request declaration of a minor, CAS students should visit the host department. To request declaration of a cross-school minor, CAS students should complete the online Minor Application available in their Albert Student Center. Students may also use the Minor Application (<https://www.nyu.edu/students/student-information-and-resources/registration-records-and-graduation/forms-policies-procedures.html>) in Albert to request cancellation of a CAS or cross-school minor.

Program Requirements

The prerequisite for declaring the minor in Russian and Slavic Studies is proficiency in Russian or another Slavic language above the Elementary II level. It requires four 4-credit courses (16 credits) completed with a grade of C or better (courses graded Pass/Fail do not count) and offers students a choice of two distinct tracks:

Track in Russian Language

Four Russian language courses (16 credits) through the advanced level. Elementary I and II and Russian Grammar and Composition do not count toward fulfilling the minor requirements. Typical plan of study: Intermediate I, Intermediate II, Advanced I, and Advanced II. Plan of study may vary depending on entry level and may continue on to the post-advanced level.

Track in Russian Culture

Four 4-credit non-language courses (16 credits) in Russian and Slavic Studies.

For both tracks of the minor, at least 8 credits out of the required 16 must be earned by taking courses offered by the Department of Russian and Slavic Studies. Up to two courses on topics pertaining to Russian and Slavic studies may be taken in other departments and programs, with departmental permission.

The two tracks are independent of each other and students must choose one or the other.

The College Core Curriculum's Cultures and Contexts course on Russia (when offered) can count toward the minor track in Russian Culture with permission from the director of undergraduate studies.

The completed minor track in Russian Language cannot exempt students from the Core's Expressive Culture requirement; the track in Russian Culture, however, does fulfill this requirement.

Independent study is not open to minors.

Course	Title	Credits
Minor Requirements		
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Total Credits		16

Policies

Program Policies

Policies Applying to Transfer Students

Major
To obtain a major in Russian and Slavic Studies from NYU, a transfer student must take at least five courses (20 credits) in language, literature, or culture in the NYU Department of Russian and Slavic Studies. After consultation with the department, transfer credits in these areas may be used to satisfy some or all of the remaining four courses (16 credits) needed to complete this nine-course (36-credit) major.

Minor

To obtain a minor in Russian and Slavic Studies (either track) from NYU, a transfer student must take at least two courses (8 credits) in the NYU Department of Russian and Slavic Studies. After consultation with the department, transfer credits may be used to satisfy some or all of the remaining two courses (8 credits) needed to complete this four-course (16-credit) minor.

Registration

After transfer credits have been approved by NYU admissions, students should bring their transcripts to the director of undergraduate studies to arrange a program of study.

NYU Policies

University-wide policies can be found on the New York University Policy pages (<https://bulletins.nyu.edu/nyu/policies/>).

College of Arts and Science Policies

A full list of relevant academic policies can be found on the CAS Academic Policies page (<https://bulletins.nyu.edu/undergraduate/arts-science/academic-policies/>).