Mission
The primary mission of the Slavic Department at Barnard is to prepare students linguistically, culturally, and academically to participate in the global community, specifically by engaging with the Slavic-speaking world. To this end, the Department, in cooperation with its Columbia counterpart, offers instruction in five Slavic languages and literatures, with particular emphasis on Russian. The department insists upon a strong foundation in language study, because this best prepares students for future involvement with the countries of Eastern Europe and Eurasia, as well as for graduate study in the literature, anthropology, sociology, history, economics, or politics of the region, and for careers in government, business, journalism, or international law.

The department offers major tracks in Russian Language and Literature, Slavic and East European Literature and Culture, Russian Regional Studies, and Slavic and East European Regional Studies. A minor program in Russian Literature and Culture is also available. These programs are supported by an extensive array of courses designed to help the student obtain reasonable fluency in the spoken and written language and a reading ability adequate for interpreting texts of some difficulty in a variety of disciplines. While offering a range of courses designed to give the student a strong general background in Russian and Slavic literature, film, culture, and intellectual history, the department encourages students to supplement their knowledge by taking courses devoted to Russia, the former Soviet Union, and Eastern Europe offered in other disciplines as well. The department co-sponsors and facilitates student participation in region-related extra-curricular activities held at the Harriman Institute and the Columbia Slavic Department and also fosters student engagement with the rich cultural resources available in New York City.

Student Learning Outcomes
In recognition of the National Standards for Foreign Language Learning published by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, the Slavic Department expects the following outcomes for students in each of its major tracks:

- **Communication.** Students should be able to communicate orally and in writing in the language of study, and understand and interpret written and spoken language on a variety of topics.
- **Cultures.** Students should demonstrate an understanding of the perspectives, products, and practices of the culture studied.
- **Connections.** Students should be able to acquire information and recognize the distinctive viewpoints available to them through the foreign language and its cultures.
- **Comparisons.** Students should develop comparative insights into the nature of language and culture as a result of studying a language and culture other than their own.
- **Communities.** Students should be prepared to participate in multilingual communities at home and around the world.

In addition, the Department expects the following outcomes of all majors:

- Students should demonstrate broad knowledge of at least one major aspect (e.g. literature, politics, or history) of the culture studied.
- Students should acquire and convey, in an appropriate academic form, deep knowledge of a particular topic or question relating to the culture studied.

Entering students should see Professor Frank Miller (708 Hamilton, 854-3941) for a placement examination: a sufficiently high grade will automatically fulfill the language requirement; other students will be placed accordingly. Native speakers of Russian or any Slavic language should consult with the department chair. The Department is a member of "Dobro Slovo" (The National Slavic Honor Society) and is pleased to induct its qualifying students into the society.

**Acting Chair:** Helene Foley (Professor of Classics)
**Term Assistant Professor:** Erica Stone Drennan
**Adjunct Lecturers:** Julia Trubikhina, Emma Lieber (Fall)

Other offices of the University offering courses in Slavic:

**Professors:** Valentina Izmirlieva, Liza Knapp--(Chair), Irina Reyfman (on leave 2021-22), Mark Lipovetsky--(DGS)
**Associate Professors:** John H. McWhorter
**Assistant Professors:** Adam E. Leeds, Jessica E. Merrill (DUS). Ofer Dynes
**Lecturers:** Alla Smyslova (Russian Language Program Director), Aleksandar Boskovic, Christopher Caes, Christopher Harwood, Meredith Landman--(DUS, LING), Tatiana Mikhailova, Yuri Shevchuk

Requirements for the Major
There are four majors available to students in the department.

Prospective students are encouraged to consult with a member of the faculty as early as possible in order to determine the major track and selection of courses that will best serve her background and interests.

### Russian Language and Literature

Select four years of Russian:

- **RUSS UN1101** First-year Russian I
- **RUSS UN1102** First-year Russian II
- **RUSS UN1201** Second-year Russian I
- **RUSS UN1202** Second-year Russian II
- **RUSS UN3101** Third-year Russian I
- **RUSS UN3102** Third-year Russian II
- **RUSS UN3430** Russian for Heritage Speakers I
- **RUSS UN3431** Russian for Heritage Speakers II
- **RUSS W4333** Fourth-year Russian I
- **RUSS GU4334** Fourth-year Russian II

Select six courses in Russian Literatures to include:**

- **RUSS UN3220** Literature and Empire: The Reign of the Novel in Russia (19th Century) [In English]
- **RUSS UN3221** LIT # REVOLUTION (20TH C LIT)

At least two courses with required reading in Russian

- **RUSS UN3595** Senior Seminar

* Native speakers of Russian who place out of these courses must substitute at least two courses, of which one must be RUSS UN3430 Russian for Heritage Speakers I
** Other Russian literature courses may be substituted upon consultation with adviser. With permission of adviser one course on Russia offered in a department other than Slavic may be substituted.
Slavic and East European Literature and Culture
Competition of third-year course (or the equivalent in Czech, Polish, Serbo-Croatian, or Ukrainian language

Select six courses in literature, theatre, or film of the region, potentially including independent study courses
Select two courses in related fields (history, art history, music, etc.) to include at least one course in the history of the region
Select two semesters of senior seminar or the equivalent leading to the completion of a senior thesis

Note: A student in this major must design her program in close consultation with her adviser in order to insure intellectual, disciplinary, and regional coherence.

Russian Regional Studies
Select four years of Russian:
- RUSS UN1101 First-year Russian I 10
- RUSS UN1102 First-year Russian II
- RUSS UN1201 Second-year Russian I 10
- RUSS UN2102 Second-year Russian II

Select two courses in Russian or Soviet Literature (in translation or in Russian)
- RUSS UN3101 Third-year Russian I 4
- RUSS UN3102 Third-Year Russian II 4
- RUSS W4333 Fourth-year Russian I 4
- RUSS GU4334 Fourth-year Russian II 4

Select two courses in Russian History
Select one course on Russia or the Soviet Union in any discipline (history, art history, geography, sociology, economics, literature, political science, etc.)
Select one course in Soviet/post-Soviet politics
Two semesters of a senior research seminar or the equivalent in independent study with research to be conducted predominantly in Russian language sources

Note: In consultation with her adviser, a student may elect to take one or more courses devoted to a region other than Russia that is located on the territory of the former Soviet Union.

Slavic and East European Regional Studies Major-Czech, Polish, Serbo-Croatian, Ukrainian
Select three years of language study
Select two courses Literature in relevant region
Select two courses of history in relevant region
Select one course on relevant region in any discipline (history, art history, geography, sociology, economics, literature, political science, etc.)
One course on politics in relevant region
Two semester of a senior research seminar or the equivalent in independent study with research to be conducted predominantly in relevant region’s language sources

Requirements for the Minor

Minor in Russian
The Minor in Russian allows students to study the language and culture of Russia at a smaller scale than a Major. A total of five courses (minimum 15 credits) beyond the second year of Russian are required. These courses should relate to the language and culture of Russia. Courses should be selected in consultation with a Slavic Department faculty member.

Minor in Czech, Polish, Serbo-Croatian or Ukrainian
A Minor in a Slavic language other than Russian allows students to pursue in-depth studies of this language and the region on a smaller scale than the one required for a Major. The Barnard Minor in Czech, Polish, Serbo-Croatian or Ukrainian consists of five courses (minimum 15 credits) beyond the second year of language study. It requires that three (3) of these courses be related to the country of the language (Poland, Czech Republic, etc) while the other two (2) should be related to the region and its cultural history more broadly.

Russian Language
RUSS UN1101 First-year Russian I. 5 points.
Grammar, reading, composition, and conversation.

RUSS UN1102 First-year Russian II. 5 points.
Grammar, reading, composition, and conversation.

RUSS UN2101 Second-year Russian I. 5.00 points.
Prerequisites: RUSS UN1102 or the equivalent.
Prerequisites: RUSS UN1102 or the equivalent. Drill practice in small groups. Reading, composition, and grammar review. Off-semester

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RUSS 2101 003/10134 M T W Th 1:10pm - 2:15pm 5 8/12

RUSS UN2101 Fall 2022: RUSS UN2101 Course Number Section/Call Number Times/Location Instructor Points Enrollment
RUSS UN2102 Second-year Russian II. 5 points.
Prerequisites: RUSS UN2101 or the equivalent.
Dill practice in small groups. Reading, composition, and grammar review.

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RUSS UN3101 Third-year Russian I. 4 points.
Limited enrollment.

Prerequisites: RUSS UN2102 or the equivalent, and the instructor’s permission.
Recommended for students who wish to improve their active command of Russian. Emphasis on conversation and composition. Reading and discussion of selected texts and videotapes. Lectures. Papers and oral reports required. Conducted entirely in Russian.

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RUSS UN3102 Third-Year Russian II. 4 points.
Prerequisites: RUSS UN2102 or the equivalent and the instructor’s permission.
Enrollment limited. Recommended for students who wish to improve their active command of Russian. Emphasis on conversation and composition. Reading and discussion of selected texts and videotapes. Lectures. Papers and oral reports required. Conducted entirely in Russian.

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LING UN3102 Endangered Languages in the Global City: Lang, Culture, and Migration in Contemporary NYC. 3 points.
CC/GS/SEAS: Partial Fulfillment of Global Core Requirement
Of the world’s estimated 7,000 languages — representing migrations and historical developments thousands of years old — the majority are oral, little-documented, and increasingly endangered under the onslaught of global languages like English. This course will take the unprecedented, paradoxical linguistic capital of New York City as a lens for examining how immigrants form communities in a new land, how those communities are integrated into the wider society, and how they grapple with linguistic and cultural loss. Interdisciplinary with an experiential learning component, the course will focus on texts, materials, encounters, and fieldwork with three of the city’s newest and least-studied indigenous immigrant communities (indigenous Latin Americans, Himalayans, and Central Asians).

Indigeneity, though often invisible or perceived as marginal in global cities like New York, is in fact pervasive and fundamental. Cities now constitute a crucial site for understanding migration and cultural change, with language a vehicle for culture. Studying cultures only in situ (i.e. in their homelands) risks missing a crucial dimension. Students will be immersed in stateless, oral, immigrant cultures while also gaining a hands-on critical understanding of language endangerment and urban sociolinguistic research, first through field experiences and guest speakers (Endangered Language Alliance partners) and then by going out together into communities to work on projects in small teams.

The Endangered Language Alliance (ELA), where the instructor is Co-Director, was formed as a non-profit research institute in 2010 as a forum for researchers, community members, activists, artists, and other New Yorkers to come together to support indigenous and minority languages. ELA’s video recordings provide first-hand testimony of endangered languages in the global city – in indigenous languages with English translation – available in few other places. Those texts will be central to this course, supplemented by the new, first-ever, detailed language map of New York City being produced by ELA.

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LING UN3103 Language, Brain and Mind. 3.00 points.
The ability to speak distinguishes humans from all other animals, including our closest relatives, the chimpanzees. Why is this so? What makes this possible? This course seeks to answer these questions. We will look at the neurological and psychological foundations of the human faculty of language. How did our brains change to allow language to evolve? Where in our brains are the components of language found? Are our minds specialized for learning language or is it part of our general cognitive abilities to learn? How are words and sentences produced and their meanings recognized? The structure of languages around the world varies greatly; does this have psychological effects for their speakers?

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RUSS 3105 Real World Russian. 3 points.
Prerequisites: (RUSS UN2102) (department placement test)
This content-based course has three focal points: 1) communicative skills 1) idiomatic language; 2) cross-cultural awareness.

The course is designed to help students further develop all of their language skills with particular focus on communicative and information processing skills, as well as natural student collaboration in the target language. The materials and assignments that will be used in class allow to explore a broad range of social, cultural, and behavioral contexts and familiarize students with idiomatic language, popular phrases and internet memes, developments of the colloquial language, and the use of slang in everyday life.

On each class students will be offered a variety of content-based activities and assignments, including, information gap filling, role-play and creative skits, internet search, making presentations, and problem-solving discussions. Listening comprehension assignments will help students expand their active and passive vocabulary and develop confidence using natural syntactic models and idiomatic structures.

Students will be exposed to cultural texts of different registers, which will help them enhance their stylistic competence. Students will learn appropriate ways to handle luengo-social situations, routines, and challenges similar to those they come across when traveling to Russia. They will explore various speech acts of daily communication, such as agreement/disagreement, getting and giving help, asking for a favor, expressing emotions, and so forth. Part of class time will be devoted to nonverbal communication, the language of gestures, emotional phonetics and intonation.

RUSS 3430 Russian for Heritage Speakers I. 3 points.
Prerequisites: RUSS V3430 or the instructor’s permission.
This course is designed to help students who speak Russian at home, but have no or limited reading and writing skills to develop literary skills in Russian. THIS COURSE, TAKEN WITH RUSS V3431, MEET A TWO YEAR FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT. Conducted in Russian.

RUSS 3431 Russian for Heritage Speakers II. 3 points.
Prerequisites: RUSS V3430 or the instructor’s permission.
This course is designed to help students who speak Russian at home, but have no or limited reading and writing skills to develop literary skills in Russian. THIS COURSE, TAKEN WITH RUSS V3430, MEET A TWO YEAR FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT. Conducted in Russian.

RUSS UN3595 Senior Seminar. 3 points.
A research and writing workshop designed to help students plan and execute a major research project, and communicate their ideas in a common scholarly language that crosses disciplinary boundaries. Content is determined by students’ thesis topics, and includes general sessions on how to formulate a proposal and how to generate a bibliography. Students present the fruits of their research in class discussions, culminating in a full-length seminar presentation and the submission of the written thesis.

RUSS UN3998 Supervised Individual Research. 2-4 points.
Prerequisites: the department’s permission.
Supervised Individual Research

LING 4108 Language History. 3 points.
Prerequisites: LING UN3101
Language, like all components of culture, is structured and conventional, yet can nevertheless change over time. This course examines how language changes, firstly as a self-contained system that changes organically and autonomously, and secondly as contextualized habits that change in time, in space, and in communities. Workload: readings & discussion, weekly problems, and final examination.
LING GU4120 Language Documentation and Field Methods. 3 points.
Prerequisites: LING UN3101
In light of the predicted loss of up to 90% of the world languages by the end of this century, it has become urgent that linguists take a more active role in documenting and conserving endangered languages. In this course, we will learn the essential skills and technology of language documentation through work with speakers of an endangered language.

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LING GU4190 Discourse and Pragmatics. 3 points.
Prerequisites: LING UN3101
How discourse works; how language is used: oral vs. written modes of language; the structure of discourse; speech acts and speech genres; the expression of power; authenticity; and solidarity in discourse, dialogicity, pragmatics, and mimesis.

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RUSS GU4342 Fourth-year Russian I. 4 points.
Prerequisites: RUSS UN3101 and RUSS UN3102 Third-Year Russian I and II, or placement test.
Systematic study of problems in Russian syntax; written exercises, translations into Russian, and compositions. Conducted entirely in Russian.

Fall 2021: RUSS GU4342

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RUSS GU4334 Fourth-year Russian II. 4 points.
Prerequisites: three years of college Russian and the instructor’s permission.
Discussion of different styles and levels of language, including word usage and idiomatic expression; written exercises, analysis of texts, and compositions. Conducted entirely in Russian.

RUSS GU4344 ADV RUSSIAN THROUGH HISTORY. 3.00 points.
Prerequisites: RUSS UN3101 and RUSS UN3102 Third-Year Russian I and II, or placement test.
Prerequisites: RUSS UN3101 and RUSS UN3102 Third-Year Russian I and II, or placement test. A language course designed to meet the needs of those foreign learners of Russian as well as heritage speakers who want to develop further their reading, speaking, and writing skills and be introduced to the history of Russia.

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RUSS GU4345 Chteniia po russkoi kulture: Advanced Russian Through History. 3 points.
Prerequisites: three years of Russian.
This is a language course designed to meet the needs of those foreign learners of Russian as well as heritage speakers who want to further develop their reading, listening, speaking, and writing skills and be introduced to the history of Russia.

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RUSS GU4350 Moving to Advanced-Plus: Language, Culture, Society in Russian Today. 3 points.
Prerequisites: Six semesters of college Russian and the instructor’s permission.
The course is designed to provide advanced and highly-motivated undergraduate and graduate students of various majors with an opportunity to develop professional vocabulary and discourse devices that will help them to discuss their professional fields in Russian with fluency and accuracy. The course targets all four language competencies: speaking, listening, reading and writing, as well as cultural understanding. Conducted in Russian.

LING GU4376 Phonetics and Phonology. 3 points.
Prerequisites: LING UN3101
An investigation of the sounds of human language, from the perspective of phonetics (articulation and acoustics, including computer-aided acoustic analysis) and phonology (the distribution and function of sounds in individual languages).

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RUSS GU4434 Practical Stylistics [in Russian]. 3 points.
Prerequisites: RUSS W4334 or the equivalent or the instructor’s permission.
Prerequisite: four years of college Russian or instructor’s permission.
The course will focus on theoretical matters of language and style and on the practical aspect of improving students’ writing skills. Theoretical aspects of Russian style and specific Russian stylistic conventions will be combined with the analysis of student papers and translation assignments, as well as exercises focusing on reviewing certain specific difficulties in mastering written Russian.

LING GU4800 LANGUAGE # SOCIETY. 3.00 points.
How language structure and usage varies according to societal factors such as social history and socioeconomic factors, illustrated with study modules on language contact, language standardization and literacy, quantitative sociolinguistic theory, language allegiance, language, and power.

Spring 2022: LING GU4800

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Russian Literature and Culture (in English)

CLRS BC3000 Power, Truth, and Storytelling: Framing Russian, English, and American Literature. 3.00 points.

How does a story’s frame affect how we read it? What power does a storyteller have over how we interpret narratives and create meaning? How do we understand “truth” in the context of fictional stories? In this course, we will explore the power dynamics of frame narratives, or stories within stories. We will consider how multiple storytellers and levels of narration affect our understanding of “truth” in fiction, as well as our own role and responsibility as readers to uncover narrative truth. Our readings will include story cycles, standalone stories with competing narrators, stories that include “found” manuscripts, and narratives with temporal frames. We will also consider how authors and critics attempted to frame literary works and control how they were interpreted or read. In all of our works, we will pay particular attention to the power dynamics and ethics of framing. Our close readings of literary works will be informed by theoretical texts on framing and discussions of framing in works of art.

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SLCL UN3001 Slavic Cultures. 3 points.

CC/GS/SEAS: Partial Fulfillment of Global Core Requirement

The history of Slavic peoples - Russians, Czechs, Poles, Serbs, Croats, Ukrainians, Bulgarians - is rife with transformations, some voluntary, some imposed. Against the background of a schematic external history, this course examines how Slavic peoples have responded to and have represented these transformations in various modes: historical writing, hagiography, polemics, drama and fiction, folk poetry, music, visual art, and film. Activity ranges over lecture (for historical background) and discussion (of primary sources).

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SLCL UN3100 FOLKLORE PAST & PRESENT. 3.00 points.

An introduction to the concept of folklore as an evolving, historical concept, and to primary source materials which have been framed as such. These are translated from Bosnian, Chukchi, Czech, Finnish, German, Polish, Russian, Serbian, Tuvan, Ukrainian, Yiddish, Yupik languages, and others. Geographical range is from South-Eastern Europe to the Russian Far East. We learn about particular oral traditions, their social mechanisms of transmission and performance, their central themes and poetics. Attention is paid to the broader sociopolitical factors (Romantic nationalism, colonization) which have informed the transcription, collection and publication of these traditions. For the final project, students learn how to conduct an ethnographic interview, and to analyze the folklore of a contemporary social group. Our goal is to experientially understand—as folklorists and as members of folk groups ourselves—the choices entailed in transcribing and analyzing folklore.

RUSS UN3105 Real World Russian. 3 points.

Prerequisites: (RUSS UN2102) (department placement test)

This content-based course has three focal points: 1) communicative skills; 2) idiomatic language; 3) cross-cultural awareness.

The course is designed to help students further develop all of their language skills with particular focus on communicative and information processing skills, as well as natural student collaboration in the target language. The materials and assignments that will be used in class allow to explore a broad range of social, cultural, and behavioral contexts and familiarize students with idiomatic language, popular phrases and internet memes, developments of the colloquial language, and the use of slang in everyday life.

On each class students will be offered a variety of content-based activities and assignments, including, information gap filling, role-play and creative skits, internet search, making presentations, and problem-solving discussions. Listening comprehension assignments will help students expand their active and passive vocabulary and develop confidence using natural syntactic models and idiomatic structures.

Students will be exposed to cultural texts of different registers, which will help them enhance their stylistic competence. Students will learn appropriate ways to handle linguo-social situations, routines, and challenges similar to those they come across when traveling to Russia. They will explore various speech acts of daily communication, such as agreement/disagreement, getting and giving help, asking for a favor, expressing emotions, and so forth. Part of class time will be devoted to nonverbal communication, the language of gestures, emotional phonetics and intonation.

RUSS UN3220 Literature and Empire: The Reign of the Novel in Russia (19th Century) [In English]. 3 points.

Explores the aesthetic and formal developments in Russian prose, especially the rise of the monumental 19th-century novel, as one manifestation of a complex array of national and cultural aspirations, humanistic and imperialist ones alike. Works by Pushkin, Lermontov, Gogol, Turgenev, Tolstoy, Dostoevsky, and Chekhov. Knowledge of Russian not required.

RUSS UN3221 LIT # REVOLUTION (20TH C LIT). 3.00 points.

The revolutionary period (1905-1938) in Russia was not only one of extreme social upheaval but also of exceptional creativity. Established ideas about individuality and collectivity, about how to depict reality, about language, gender, authority, and violence, were all thrown open to radical questioning. Out of this chaos came ideas about literature and film (just for example) which have shaped Western thought on these subjects to this day. In this course we will study a variety of media and genres (poetry, manifestos, film, painting, photomontage, the novel, theoretical essays) in an effort to gain a deep understanding of this complex and fascinating period in Russian cultural history.

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RUSS UN3222 TOLSTOY AND DOSTOEVSKY. 3.00 points.

Two epic novels, Tolstoy’s War and Peace and Dostoevsky’s The Brothers Karamazov, will be read along with selected shorter works. Other works by Tolstoy include his early Sebastopol Sketches, which changed the way war is represented in literature; Confession, which describes his spiritual crisis; the late stories Kreutzer Sonata and Hadji Murad; and essays on capital punishment and a visit to a slaughterhouse. Other works by Dostoevsky include his fictionalized account of life in Siberian prison camp, The House of the Dead; Notes from the Underground, his philosophical novella on free will, determinism, and love; A Gentle Creature, a short story on the same themes; and selected essays from Diary of a Writer. The focus will be on close reading of the texts. Our aim will be to develop strategies for appreciating the structure and form, the powerful ideas, the engaging storylines, and the human interest in the writings of Tolstoy and Dostoevsky. No knowledge of Russian is required.

RUSS UN3313 Resistant Mind: Colonial Power, Optics, Narrative. 3.00 points.

"Narrative fiction provides a controlled wilderness, an opportunity to be and to become the Other," writes Toni Morrison. The immersion in the Other’s inner self is one of the most valuable experiences we derive from reading fiction, but how, exactly, is this immersion effect created? What makes it possible for us to know fictional characters more intimately than we know our closest friends? Is it not slightly disturbing and even unethical to expose a subject, albeit fictional, as radically as the fiction writer exposes and studies the hero? This course surveys a variety of ways in which the private life and the consciousness of the Other can be represented through discursive practices of literature, film, and photography. Drawing its perspective from postcolonial studies, formal narratology, and poststructuralist criticism, this course examines how different methods of narrating the Other participate in constructing an ethics of power and resistance within a work of art. We read and view a diverse selection of works ranging from the classics of Russian and American fiction to postcolonial photography and documentary productions which experiment with perspective and power dynamic. No prerequisites

RUSS UN3595 Senior Seminar. 3 points.

A research and writing workshop designed to help students plan and execute a major research project, and communicate their ideas in a common scholarly language that crosses disciplinary boundaries. Content is determined by students’ thesis topics, and includes general sessions on how to formulate a proposal and how to generate a bibliography. Students present the fruits of their research in class discussions, culminating in a full-length seminar presentation and the submission of the written thesis.

CLRS GU4011 Dostoevsky, Tolstoy, and the English Novel [in English]. 3 points.

A close reading of works by Dostoevsky (Netochka Nezvanova; The Idiot; "A Gentle Creature") and Tolstoy (Childhood, Boyhood, Youth; "Family Happiness"; Anna Karenina; "The Kreutzer Sonata") in conjunction with related English novels (Bronte’s Jane Eyre, Eliot’s Middlemarch, Woolf’s Mrs. Dalloway). No knowledge of Russian is required.

RUSS GU4038 Dostoevsky in the 1870s: Demons, Diary of a Writer, Adolescent, and Dickens. 3 points.

A study of Dostoevsky and Dickens as two writers whose engagement in the here and now was vital to their work and to their practice of the novel. Readings from Dostoevsky cluster in the 1870s and include two novels, Demons (1872) and The Adolescent (1876), and selections from his Diary of a Writer. Readings from Dickens span his career and include, in addition to David Copperfield (1850), sketches and later essays.

RUSS GU4046 The Trickster in the Modern Russian Literature and Culture. 3 points.

"Trickster" does not simply mean "deceiver" or "rogue" (the definition of trickster according to the Oxford Encyclopedic English Dictionary), but rather "creative idiot", to use Lewis Hyde's expression. This hero unites rather "creative idiot", to use Lewis Hyde's expression. This hero unites the qualities of characters who at first sight have little in common — the "selfish buffoon" and the "culture hero"; someone whose subversions and transgressions paradoxically amplify the culture-constructing effects of his (and most often it is a "he") tricks. The trickster is a typical comic protagonist — it is enough to recollect Renard the Fox from the medieval Roman de Renard, Panurge from François Rabelais' Le Life of Gargantua, Cervantes' Sanchо Panza, Beaumarchais's Figaro, Gogol's Khlestakov, Mark Twain's Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn, Yeats' The Poet’s Prayer, Yoruba's Eshu, and the Fool in Shakespeare's works. The trickster is often a creative idiot, someone whose subversions and transgressions paradoxically amplify the culture-constructing effects of his (and most often it is a "he") tricks. The trickster is a typical comic protagonist — it is enough to recollect Renard the Fox from the medieval Roman de Renard, Panurge from François Rabelais' Le Life of Gargantua, Cervantes' Sanchо Panza, Beaumarchais's Figaro, Gogol's Khlestakov, Mark Twain's Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn, Yeats' The Poet’s Prayer, Yoruba's Eshu, and the Fool in Shakespeare's works.
The course will discuss how filmmaking has been used as an instrument of power and imperial domination in the Soviet Union as well as on post-Soviet space since 1991. A body of selected films by Soviet and post-Soviet directors which exemplify the function of filmmaking as a tool of appropriation of the colonized, their cultural and political subordination by the Soviet center will be examined in terms of postcolonial theories. The course will focus both on Russian cinema and often overlooked work of Ukrainian, Georgian, Belarusian, Armenian, etc. national film schools and how they participated in the communist project of fostering a «new historic community of the Soviet people» as well as resisted it by generating, in hidden and, since 1991, overt and increasingly assertive ways their own counter-narratives. Close attention will be paid to the new Russian film as it re-invents itself within the post-Soviet imperial momentum projected on the former Soviet colonies.

RUSS GU4107 RUSS LIT/CULTR-NEW MILLENNIUM. 3.00 points.
The course examines most representative works of Russian literature and culture since the 1990s and until the present moment. While discussing recent novels, short stories, dramas, poems, and films, we will address the issues of politics, re-assessment of history, gender, family, national identity, violence and terrorism. No knowledge of Russian is expected.

RUSS GU4107 RUSS LIT/CULTR-NEW MILLENNIUM. 3.00 points.
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CLRS GU4111 Narrative and Repetition: Circling in Time and Space. 3.00 points.
An introduction to central concepts in narrative theory: plot, archetype, myth, story vs. discourse, Freudian analysis, history and narrative, chronotype and personal narrative. These are explored in the context of sustained investigation of a particular plot device: the time loop. Examples come from Russian modernist fiction, Soviet and American science fiction, and film. We compare being stuck in a time loop with being lost in space - a theme found in personal narratives shared orally and online, as well as in literary fiction. Students develop a final paper topic on time loop narrative of their choice.

Russian Literature and Culture (in Russian)
RUSS UN3332 Vvedenie v russkuui literaturu: Scary Stories. 3 points.
For non-native speakers of Russian.

Prerequisites: two years of college Russian or the instructor’s permission.
The course is devoted to the reading, analysis, and discussion of a number of Russian prose fiction works from the eighteenth to twentieth century. Its purpose is to give students an opportunity to apply their language skills to literature. It will teach students to read Russian literary texts as well as to talk and write about them. Its goal is, thus, twofold: to improve the students’ linguistic skills and to introduce them to Russian literature and literary history. A close study in the original of the "scary stories" in Russian literature from the late eighteenth century. Conducted in Russian.
RUSS UN3333 Vvedenie v russkuiu literaturu: Poor Liza, Poor Olga, Poor Me. 3 points.
For non-native speakers of Russian.

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RUSS GU4340 Chteniia po russkoi literature: Bulgakov. 3.00 points.
The course is devoted to reading and discussing of Mikhail Bulgakov's masterpiece Master i Margarita. Classes are conducted entirely in Russian.

RUSS GU4344 ADV RUSSIAN THROUGH HISTORY. 3.00 points.
Prerequisites: RUSS UN3101 and RUSS UN3102 Third-Year Russian I and II, or placement test.
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RUSS GU4345 Chteniia po russkoi kul'ture: Advanced Russian Through History. 3 points.
Prerequisites: three years of Russian.
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Slavic Literature and Culture
SLCL UN3001 Slavic Cultures. 3 points.
CC/GS/SEAS: Partial Fulfillment of Global Core Requirement
The history of Slavic peoples - Russians, Czechs, Poles, Serbs, Croats, Ukrainians, Bulgarians - is rife with transformations, some voluntary, some imposed. Against the background of a schematic external history, this course examines how Slavic peoples have responded to and have represented these transformations in various modes: historical writing, hagiography, polemics, drama and fiction, folk poetry, music, visual art, and film. Activity ranges over lecture (for historical background) and discussion (of primary sources).

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RMAN GU4002 Romanian Culture, Identity and Complexes. 3 points.
This course addresses the main problems that contribute to the making of Romanian identity, as fragmented or as controversial as it may seem to those who study it. The aim is to become familiar with the deepest patterns of Romanian identity, as we encounter it today, either in history, political studies, fieldwork in sociology or, simply, when we interact with Romanians. By using readings and presentations produced by Romanian specialists, we aim to be able to see the culture with an "insider's eye", as much as we can. This perspective will enable us to develop mechanisms of understanding the Romanian culture and mentality independently, at a more profound level and to reason upon them.

CLSL GU4075 Soviet and Post-Soviet, Colonial and Post Colonial Film. 3 points.
The course will discuss how filmmaking has been used as an instrument of power and imperial domination in the Soviet Union as well as on post-Soviet space since 1991. A body of selected films by Soviet and post-Soviet directors which exemplify the function of filmmaking as a tool of appropriation of the colonized, their cultural and political subordination by the Soviet center will be examined in terms of postcolonial theories. The course will focus both on Russian cinema and often overlooked work of Ukrainian, Georgian, Belarusian, Armenian, etc. national film schools and how they participated in the communist project of fostering a «new historic community of the Soviet people» as well as resisted it by generating, in hidden and, since 1991, overt and increasingly assertive ways their own counter-narratives. Close attention will be paid to the new Russian film as it re-invents itself within the post-Soviet imperial momentum projected on the former Soviet colonies.

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CLSL 4075 001/10175 T 6:10pm - 10:00pm 707 Hamilton Hall Yuri Shevchuk 3 5/25
Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian Literature and Culture

**BCRS UN1101 Elementary Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian I. 4 points.** Essentials of the spoken and written language. Prepares students to read texts of moderate difficulty by the end of the first year.

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**BCRS UN1102 Elementary Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian II. 4 points.** Essentials of the spoken and written language. Prepares students to read texts of moderate difficulty by the end of the first year.

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**BCRS UN2101 Intermediate Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian I. 3 points.** Prerequisites: BCRS UN1102 or the equivalent. Readings in Serbian/Croatian/Bosnian literature in the original, with emphasis depending upon the needs of individual students.

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**BCRS UN2102 Intermediate Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian II. 3 points.** Prerequisites: BCRS UN1102 or the equivalent. Readings in Serbian/Croatian/Bosnian literature in the original, with emphasis depending upon the needs of individual students. This course number has been changed to BCRS 2102.

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**BCRS GU4331 Advanced Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian I. 3 points.** Prerequisites: BCRS UN2102. Further develops skills in speaking, reading, and writing, using essays, short stories, films, and fragments of larger works. Reinforces basic grammar and introduces more complete structures.

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**BCRS GU4332 Advanced Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian II. 3 points.** Prerequisites: BCRS UN2102. Further develops skills in speaking, reading, and writing, using essays, short stories, films, and fragments of larger works. Reinforces basic grammar and introduces more complete structures.

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**Czech Language and Literature**

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**CZCH UN1102 Elementary Czech II. 4 points.** Essentials of the spoken and written language. Prepare students to read texts of moderate difficulty by the end of the first year.

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**CZCH UN2101 Intermediate Czech I. 4 points.** Prerequisites: CZCH UN1102 or the equivalent. Rapid review of grammar. Readings in contemporary fiction and nonfiction, depending upon the interests of individual students.

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**CZCH UN2102 Intermediate Czech II. 4 points.** Prerequisites: CZCH UN1102 or the equivalent. Rapid review of grammar. Readings in contemporary fiction and nonfiction, depending upon the interests of individual students.

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**CLCZ GU4030 Postwar Czech Literature [in English]. 3 points.** A survey of postwar Czech fiction and drama. Knowledge of Czech not necessary. Parallel reading lists available in translation and in the original.
CLCZ GU4038 Prague Spring of ‘58 in Film and Literature [In English]. 3 points.
The course explores the unique period in Czech film and literature during the 1960s that emerged as a reaction to the imposed socialist realism. The new generation of writers (Kundera, Skvorecky, Havel, Hrabal) in turn had an influence on young emerging film makers, all of whom were part of the Czech new wave.

CZCH GU4333 Readings in Czech Literature, I. 3 points.
Prerequisites: two years of college Czech or the equivalent.
A close study in the original of representative works of Czech literature. Discussion and writing assignments in Czech aimed at developing advanced language proficiency.

CZCH GU4334 Readings in Czech Literature, II. 3 points.
Prerequisites: two years of college Czech or the equivalent.
A close study in the original of representative works of Czech literature. Discussion and writing assignments in Czech aimed at developing advanced language proficiency.

Polish Language and Literature

POLI UN1101 Elementary Polish I. 4 points.
Essentials of the spoken and written language. Prepares students to read texts of moderate difficulty by the end of the first year.

POLI UN1102 Elementary Polish II. 4 points.
Essentials of the spoken and written language. Prepares students to read texts of moderate difficulty by the end of the first year.

POLI UN2101 Intermediate Polish I. 4 points.
Prerequisites: POLI UN1102 or the equivalent.
Rapid review of grammar; readings in contemporary nonfiction or fiction, depending on the interests of individual students.

UKRAN UN1101 Elementary Ukrainian I. 3 points.
Designed for students with little or no knowledge of Ukrainian. Basic grammar structures are introduced and reinforced, with equal emphasis on developing oral and written communication skills. Specific attention to acquisition of high-frequency vocabulary and its optimal use in real-life settings.

UKRAN UN1102 Elementary Ukrainian II. 3 points.
Designed for students with little or no knowledge of Ukrainian. Basic grammar structures are introduced and reinforced, with equal emphasis on developing oral and written communication skills. Specific attention to acquisition of high-frequency vocabulary and its optimal use in real-life settings.
UKRN UN2101 Intermediate Ukrainian I. 3 points.
Prerequisites: UKRN UN1102 or the equivalent.
Reviews and reinforces the fundamentals of grammar and a core vocabulary from daily life. Principal emphasis is placed on further development of communicative skills (oral and written). Verbal aspect and verbs of motion receive special attention.

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UKRN UN2102 Intermediate Ukrainian II. 3 points.
Prerequisites: UKRN UN1102 or the equivalent.
Reviews and reinforces the fundamentals of grammar and a core vocabulary from daily life. Principal emphasis is placed on further development of communicative skills (oral and written). Verbal aspect and verbs of motion receive special attention.

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UKRN GU4001 Advanced Ukrainian I. 3 points.
Prerequisites: UKRN UN2102 or the equivalent.
The course is for students who wish to develop their mastery of Ukrainian. Further study of grammar includes patterns of word formation, participles, gerunds, declension of numerals, and a more in-depth study of difficult subjects, such as verbal aspect and verbs of motion. The material is drawn from classical and contemporary Ukrainian literature, press, electronic media, and film. Taught almost exclusively in Ukrainian.

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UKRN GU4002 Advanced Ukrainian II. 3 points.
Prerequisites: UKRN UN2102 or the equivalent.
The course is for students who wish to develop their mastery of Ukrainian. Further study of grammar includes patterns of word formation, participles, gerunds, declension of numerals, and a more in-depth study of difficult subjects, such as verbal aspect and verbs of motion. The material is drawn from classical and contemporary Ukrainian literature, press, electronic media, and film. Taught almost exclusively in Ukrainian.

UKRN GU4006 Advanced Ukrainian Through Literature, Media, and Politics. 3 points.
This course is organized around a number of thematic centers or modules. Each is focused on stylistic peculiarities typical of a given functional style of the Ukrainian language. Each is designed to assist the student in acquiring an active command of lexical, grammatical, discourse, and stylistic traits that distinguish one style from the others and actively using them in real-life communicative settings in contemporary Ukraine. The styles include literary fiction, scholarly prose, and journalism, both printed and broadcast.

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UKRN GU4121 Agent of Change: Ukrainian Art Between Revolutions. 3.00 points.
The course will trace the appearance of the avant-garde on the territory of the Russian Empire with a focus on Ukrainian art as compared to Russian. Examining the art aspiring not only to reflect but to alter the reality originating both in the center and the periphery, the class will explore the array of strategies employed by art for that end. The foundational theories of avant-garde, non-conformism, and dissident art will be studied alongside the most celebrated and influential examples of innovative and radical art from the region. Beginning with socially minded realist practices, the class will consider the impact of the collapse of the Russian and then Soviet Empires on art and reflect on how the societal upheavals affect the understanding of the function and the definition of art. The appearance of Socialist Realism and the versions of opposition to it is studied, from dissident undermining to neglect and escapism of the second avant-gardes. Ukrainian art of recent decades will be studied in the context of several revolutions (Granite, Orange, Euromaidan) that defined its contemporary history. The class is offered for graduate and advanced undergraduate students. Knowledge of Russian or Ukrainian is required.

Spring 2022: UKRN GU4121
Course Number   Section/Call Number   Times/Location   Instructor   Points   Enrollment
UKRN 4121   001/15812   M W 1:10pm - 2:25pm 201a Philosophy Hall   Olena Martynyuk   3.00   2/25

Hungarian

HNGR UN1101 Elementary Hungarian I. 4 points.
Introduction to the basic structures of the Hungarian language. Students with a schedule conflict should consult the instructor about the possibility of adjusting hours.

Fall 2021: HNGR UN1101
Course Number   Section/Call Number   Times/Location   Instructor   Points   Enrollment
HNGR 1101   001/11879   T Th 12:10pm - 2:00pm 352c International Affairs Bldg   Carol Rounds   4   5/20

HNGR UN1102 Elementary Hungarian II. 4 points.
Introduction to the basic structures of the Hungarian language. With the instructor’s permission the second term of this course may be taken without the first. Students with a schedule conflict should consult the instructor about the possibility of adjusting hours.

Spring 2022: HNGR UN1102
Course Number   Section/Call Number   Times/Location   Instructor   Points   Enrollment
HNGR 1102   001/11412   T Th 12:10pm - 2:00pm 112 Knox Hall   Carol Rounds   4   1/18

HNGR UN2101 Intermediate Hungarian I. 4 points.
Prerequisites: HNGR UN1101-UN1102 or the equivalent. Further develops a student’s knowledge of the Hungarian language. With the instructor’s permission the second term of this course may be taken without the first. Students with a schedule conflict should consult the instructor about the possibility of adjusting hours.

Fall 2021: HNGR UN2101
Course Number   Section/Call Number   Times/Location   Instructor   Points   Enrollment
HNGR 2101   001/11882   T Th 9:10am - 11:00am 352c International Affairs Bldg   Carol Rounds   4   3/20

HNGR UN2102 Intermediate Hungarian II. 4 points.
Prerequisites: HNGR UN1101-UN1102 or the equivalent. Further develops a student’s knowledge of the Hungarian language. With the instructor’s permission the second term of this course may be taken without the first. Students with a schedule conflict should consult the instructor about the possibility of adjusting hours.

Spring 2022: HNGR UN2102
Course Number   Section/Call Number   Times/Location   Instructor   Points   Enrollment
HNGR 2102   001/11413   T Th 9:10am - 11:00am 112 Knox Hall   Carol Rounds   4   0/18

HNGR UN3341 Advanced Hungarian II. 3 points.
Prerequisites: HNGR UN2101 - HNGR UN2102 and HNGR UN3340, or the equivalent. This course has an emphasis on rapid and comprehensive reading of academic materials. In addition to weekly readings, oral presentations and written essays serve to improve fluency in all aspects of Hungarian.

HNGR UN3343 Hungarian Descriptive Grammar. 3 points.
This course is designed for those curious about the structure of Hungarian - an unusual language with a complex grammar quite different from English, or, indeed, any Indo-European language. The study of Hungarian, a language of the Finno-Ugric family, offers the opportunity to learn about the phonology of vowel harmony, the syntax of topic-comment discourse, verb agreement with subjects and objects, highly developed case systems and possessive nominal paradigms. In addition to its inflectional profile, Hungarian derivation possibilities are vast, combinatorial, and playful. During the semester we will touch upon all the important grammatical aspects of Hungarian and discuss them in relation to general linguistic principles and discourse, and finally, through some text analysis, see them in action. Although the primary discussion will center on Hungarian, we will draw on comparisons to other Finno-Ugric languages, most notably Finnish and Komi; students are encouraged to draw on comparisons with their own languages of interest. No prerequisite. Counts as Core Linguistics.

Cross-Listed Courses

AFRS GU4000 HARLEM AND MOSCOW. 3.00 points.
Prerequisites: NA The Russian Revolution of 1917 is widely acknowledged as a watershed moment in the global struggle for worker’s rights, but it also played a considerable role in the fights against racism and colonialism (Lenin considered both tools of capitalist exploitation). In Soviet Russia’s project to make racial equality a central feature of communism, two urban locales featured prominently: its capital city of Moscow and the burgeoning Black cultural center that was Harlem, New York. This course will explore cross-cultural encounters between Moscow and Harlem as a way to ask larger questions about race, class, and solidarity across difference. Students can expect to read novels, memoirs, and cultural reportage from Harlem Renaissance figures (Langston Hughes, Claude McKay, Dorothy West) who traveled to Moscow. Students will also learn about the role of race in early Soviet culture, particularly visual culture (films, children’s media, propaganda posters, etc.). This course includes a field trip to the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture in Harlem.