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

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:** Edward Barnaby  
**Term Assistant Professor:** John Wright

Other officers of the University offering courses in Slavic:

**Professors:** Valentina Izmirlieva, Liza Knapp--(Chair & DGS), Irina Reyfman, Mark Leiderman  
**Associate Professors:** John H. McWhorter  
**Assistant Professors:** Adam E. Leeds (DUS), Jessica E. Merrill, Ofer Dynes

**Lecturers:** Alla Smyslova (Russian Language Program Director), Aleksandar Boskovic, Christopher Caes, Marina Grineva, Christopher Harwood, Meredith Landman–(LING), Tatiana Mikhailova, Yuri Shevchuk (Senior Lecturer), Marina Tsylnia,

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:

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At least two courses with required reading in Russian

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* 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

** 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
Completion 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 and FIRST-YEAR RUSSIAN II 10
RUSS UN1201 Second-year Russian I and SECOND-YEAR RUSSIAN II 10
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 allow 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. 5.00 points.
Grammar, reading, composition, and conversation
Fall 2023: RUSS UN1101
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RUSS 1101 003/12321 M T W Th 6:10pm - 7:15pm 709 Hamilton Hall Marina Grineva 5.00 8/12
RUSS UN1102 FIRST-YEAR RUSSIAN II. 5.00 points.
Grammar, reading, composition, and conversation
Spring 2024: RUSS UN1102
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RUSS 1102 002/14936 M T W Th 10:10am - 11:15am 709 Hamilton Hall Zachary Deming 5.00 5/12
RUSS 1102 003/14940 M T W Th 6:10pm - 7:15pm 709 Hamilton Hall Marina Grineva 5.00 6/12
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-sequence
Fall 2023: RUSS UN2101
Course Number Section/Call Number Times/Location Instructor Points Enrollment
RUSS 2101 001/12322 M T W Th 8:50am - 9:55am 8/12
302 Hamilton Hall Marina Tsylina
RUSS 2101 002/12323 M T W Th 11:40am - 12:45pm 5/12
709 Hamilton Hall Marina Tsylina
RUSS 2101 003/12324 M T W Th 1:10pm - 2:15pm 3/12
709 Hamilton Hall Marina Grineva
RUSS UN2102 SECOND-YEAR RUSSIAN II. 5.00 points.
Prerequisites: RUSS UN2101 or the equivalent. Drill practice in small groups. Reading, composition, and grammar review
Spring 2024: RUSS UN2102
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RUSS UN3101 THIRD-YEAR RUSSIAN I. 4.00 points.
Limited enrollment.
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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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Prerequisites: RUSS UN2102 or the equivalent and the instructor’s permission.
Prerequisites: RUSS UN2102 or the equivalent and the instructors 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. 3.00 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 primarily 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 change. Drawing on sociolinguistics, anthropology, and history, the course will focus on texts from and encounters with members of three of the city’s fastest-growing but least-studied communities (Indigenous Americans, Himalayans, Central Asians) before closing with a series of classes exploring broader questions around mapping, education, policy, the role of linguists, revitalization and the future of language and mobility
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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; 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
group. 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 3333 VVEDENIE V RUSSKUIU LITERATURU. 3.00 points.
For non-native speakers of Russian.

Prerequisites: two years of college Russian or the instructor’s permission.

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.
In 2007-2008: A close study in the original of the “fallen woman” plot in
Russian literature from the late eighteenth century. Conducted in Russian

RUSS 3430 RUSSIAN FOR HERITAGE SPEAKERS II. 3.00 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

Spring 2024: RUSS UN3430
Course Number  Section/Call Number  Times/Location  Instructor  Points  Enrollment
RUSS 3430  001/14952  M W 1:10pm - 2:25pm 254 International Affairs
Alia Smyslova  3.00  12/15

RUSS 3595 RUSSIAN FOR HERITAGE SPEAKERS III. 3.00 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

Fall 2023: RUSS UN3595
Course Number  Section/Call Number  Times/Location  Instructor  Points  Enrollment
RUSS 3595  001/00732  Th 1:10pm - 3:00pm 405 Barnard Hall
John Wright  4.00  3/5

RUSS 3998 SUPERVISED INDIVIDUAL RESEARCH. 2.00-4.00 points.
Prerequisites: the department’s permission.
Prerequisites: the department’s permission. Supervised Individual
Research

Fall 2023: RUSS UN3998
Course Number  Section/Call Number  Times/Location  Instructor  Points  Enrollment
RUSS 3998  001/00557  Th 1:10pm - 3:00pm 405 Barnard Hall
John Wright  2.00-4.00  0/3
RUSS 3998  002/21015  Th 1:10pm - 3:00pm 405 Barnard Hall
Liza Knapp  2.00-4.00  1/2
RUSS 3998  003/21002  Th 1:10pm - 3:00pm 405 Barnard Hall
Timothy Frye  2.00-4.00  1/1

GEOR GU4042 Expressive Culture of Soviet and Independent Georgia. 3.00 points.
CC/GS/SEAS: Partial Fulfillment of Global Core Requirement

Expressive culture in the form of traditional and mediated performing and
visual arts, film and literature has reflected and shaped modern Georgian
social life in immeasurable ways. This seminar brings anthropological
perspectives to bear on how expressive culture has served to articulate
national and local senses of identity, grappling with collective trauma,
and forged avant-garde creative networks within and beyond Georgia’s
borders in the socialist and postsocialist periods. The course is organized
in three units: it begins by interrogating the curatorial interventions of
international organizations like UNESCO and their role in commodifying
Georgian culture for global markets, proceeds by exploring powerful
creative responses to colonial and totalitarian experience, and concludes
by focusing on the capital city of Tbilisi—its built spaces, ever-changing
social configurations, and shifting value systems—as a persistent muse
in expressive cultural forms. There are no prerequisites and the course
assumes no prior knowledge of Georgian history, language, or culture
LING GU4108 LANGUAGE HISTORY. 3.00 points.
Prerequisites: LING UN3101
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, discussions, weekly problems, and a final examination.

Spring 2024: LING GU4108
Course Number  Section/Call Number  Times/Location  Instructor  Points  Enrollment
LING 4108  001/14820  T Th 1:10pm - 2:25pm  333 Uris Hall  William Foley  3.00  28/40

LING GU4120 LANG DOCUMENTATION/FIELD MTHDS. 3.00 points.
Prerequisites: LING UN3101
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.

Fall 2023: LING GU4120
Course Number  Section/Call Number  Times/Location  Instructor  Points  Enrollment
LING 4120  001/10467  M W 1:10pm - 2:25pm  318 Hamilton Hall  Meredith Landman  3.00  9/22

LING GU4190 DISCOURSE ANALYSIS. 3.00 points.
Prerequisites: LING UN3101
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.

RUSS GU4342 FOURTH-YEAR RUSSIAN I. 4.00 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. Systematic study of problems in Russian syntax; written exercises, translations into Russian, and compositions. Conducted entirely in Russian.

Fall 2023: RUSS GU4342
Course Number  Section/Call Number  Times/Location  Instructor  Points  Enrollment
RUSS 4342  001/12330  M W F 2:40pm - 3:55pm  709 Hamilton Hall  Tatiana Mikhailova  4.00  8/15

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

Spring 2024: RUSS GU4345 ADV RUSSIAN THROUGH HISTORY. 3.00 points.
Prerequisites: three years of Russian.
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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.

RUSS GU4376 PHONETICS # PHONOLOGY. 3.00 points.
Prerequisites: LING UN3101
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).

RUSS GU4434 PRACTICAL STYLISTICS-RUSS LANG. 3.00 points.
Prerequisites: RUSS W4334 or the equivalent or the instructor’s permission.
Prerequisites: RUSS W4334 or the equivalent or the 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 2024: LING GU4800
Course Number  Section/Call Number  Times/Location  Instructor  Points  Enrollment
LING 4800  001/14825  T Th 11:40am - 12:55pm  413 Kent Hall  John McWhorter  3.00  54/71

LING GU4903 SYNTAX. 3.00 points.
Prerequisites: LING UN3101
Prerequisites: LING UN3101 Syntax - the combination of words - has been at the center of the Chomskyan revolution in Linguistics. This is a technical course which examines modern formal theories of syntax, focusing on later versions of generative syntax (Government and Binding) with secondary attention to alternative models (HPG, Categorial Grammar).
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

SLCL UN3001 SLAVIC CULTURES. 3.00 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)

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 1) 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 # EMPIRE (19C LIT). 3.00 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

Spring 2024: RUSS UN3221

Course Number: RUSS 3221
Section/Call Number: 001/10741
Times/Location: T Th 2:40pm - 3:55pm
Instructor: Jessica Merrill
Points: 3.00
Enrollment: 11/30
RUSS UN3222 TOLSTOY AND DOSTOEWSKY. 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.

CLRS 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. 4.00 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 DOSTOEWSKY, TOLSTOY # ENG NOVEL. 3.00 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.

CLRS GU4037 Poets, Rebels, Exiles: 100 Years of Russians and Rusian Jews in America. 3.00 points.
Poets, Rebels, Exiles examines the successive generations of the most provocative and influential Russian and Russian Jewish writers and artists who brought the cataclysm of the Soviet and post-Soviet century to North America. From Joseph Brodsky—the bad boy bard of Soviet Russia and a protégé of Anna Akhmatova, who served 18 months of hard labor near the North Pole for social parasitism before being exiled—to the most recent artstic descendants, this course will interrogate diaspora, memory, and nostalgia in the cultural production of immigrants and exiles.

RUSS GU4046 The Trickster in the Modern Russian Lit. 3.00 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 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 Francois Rabelais’ The Life of Gargantua and of Pantagruel, Cervantes’ Sancho Panza, Beaumarchais’s Figaro, Gogol’s Kihlestakov, Mark Twain’s Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn, Yaroslav Hašek’s Švejk, Charlie Chaplin’s Tramp, Max Bialystock in Mel Brooks’ Producers, Bart Simpson and Borat (Sacha Baron Cohen), as well as Jon Stewart and Stephen Colbert along with many other comical characters of the same genre — to confirm this self-evident thesis.
CLSL GU4075 POST COLONIAL/POST SOV CINEMA. 3.00 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.

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. 

CLRS GU4112 Decadent Desires and the Russian Silver Age. 3.00 points.
The late nineteenth-century culture of “decadence” marks the moment when European literature and art decisively turn to the dark side. Decadence loves to depict depravity and deviant behavior; it revels in sensuality, eroticism, libertinism, and immoralism; the aesthetics of madness and intoxication abound. In this course we will explore how these decadent tendencies shaped the elegant and transgressive literary culture of Russia’s pre-revolutionary Silver Age. The decadent predilection for self-destructive behavior and the pervasive sense of impending doom took on new meaning within the Russian cultural context, on the eve of the communist revolution. We will first survey the defining figures of European decadence: from Baudelaire’s Flowers of Evil and the “accursed” French poets, to the radical lifestyle experiments of Huysmans and the bondage games of Sacher-Masoch. Considerable attention will also be devoted to the enormous influence of Nietzsche’s philosophy—his iconic conceptions of Dionysian ecstasy, the Übermensch, and “beyond good and evil.” In turn, our study of decadence in Russia will range from symbolist poets, chasing their ethereal “mysterious woman;” to major modernist novels: murder and madness in Sologub’s The Little Demon; Artsybashev’s sexually scandalous Sanin; Andrei Bely’s revolutionary masterpiece, Petersburg. Along the way, we will also focus on issues such as: symbolist theories of art and a new flowering of metaphysical philosophy in Russia new attitudes toward sexuality, new theories of desire and the unconscious the intellectual collaboration between literature and visual art the coming of revolution and terrorist violence, as seen through the prism of decadence.

CLRS GU4213 Cold War Reason: Cybernetics and the Systems Sciences. 3.00 points.
The Cold War epoch saw broad transformations in science, technology, and politics. At their nexus a new knowledge was proclaimed, cybernetics, a putative universal science of communication and control. It has disappeared so completely that most have forgotten that it ever existed. Its failure seems complete and final. Yet in another sense, cybernetics was so powerful and successful that the concepts, habits, and institutions born with it have become intrinsic parts of our world and how we make sense of it. Key cybernetic concepts of information, system, and feedback are now fundamental to our basic ways of understanding the mind, brain and computer, of grasping the economy and ecology, and finally of imagining the nature of human life itself. This course will trace the echoes of the cybernetic explosion from the wake of World War II to the onset of Silicon Valley euphoria.

CLRS GU4214 The Road to Power: Marxism in Germany and Russia. 3.00 points.
Before Marxism was an academic theory, it was a political movement, but it was not led by Marx. This course examines the years in between, when a new generation began the task of building the organizations, practices, and animating theories that came to define “Marxism” for the twentieth century. Two of the most important such organizations were the German and Russian Social Democratic Parties. Responding to dramatically different contexts, and coming to equally different ends, they nevertheless developed organically interconnected. This course selects key episodes from the road to power of both parties, from their founding to the Russian Revolution— what might be called the “Golden Age” of Marxism. This course is open to all undergraduates who have completed Contemporary Civilization.
RUSS GU4910 LITERARY TRANSLATION. 4.00 points.
Prerequisites: four years of college Russian or the equivalent.
Workshop in literary translation from Russian into English focusing on the practical problems of the craft. Each student submits a translation of a literary text for group study and criticism. The aim is to produce translations of publishable quality
Fall 2023: RUSS GU4910
Course Number Section/Call Number Times/Location Instructor Points Enrollment
RUSS 4910 001/10405 T 4:10pm - 6:00pm 1201 International Affairs Bldg Ronald Meyer 4.00 3/12

Russian Literature and Culture (in Russian)

RUSS UN3332 Vvedenie v russkuiu literaturu: Scary Stories. 3.00 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.
Fall 2023: RUSS UN3332
Course Number Section/Call Number Times/Location Instructor Points Enrollment
RUSS 3332 001/10061 M W 1:10pm - 2:25pm 254 International Affairs Bldg Irina Reyfman 3 3/18

RUSS UN3333 VVEDENIE V RUSSKUIU LITERATURU. 3.00 points.
For non-native speakers of Russian.
Prerequisites: two years of college Russian or the instructor’s permission.
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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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Slavic Literature and Culture

SLCL UN3001 SLAVIC CULTURES. 3.00 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)
Fall 2023: SLCL UN3001
Course Number Section/Call Number Times/Location Instructor Points Enrollment
SLCL 3001 001/10226 T Th 2:40pm - 3:55pm 702 Hamilton Hall Christopher Harwood, Jessica Merrill 3.00 51/60

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.
Arguments about World Literature in a highly-scaffolded major project of the concept as well as the major critics. They will also create their own history of World Literature and its definitions, reading the major theorists on colonialism and nationalism. Students will learn about the complex definitions of World Literature, particularly through addressing the contemporary construction. The class will then examine whether the constructions of World Literature in the West, and then look at how the World Literature is perceived in other parts of the world. Students will learn about the more contemporary work of Ukrainian, Georgian, Belarusian, Armenian, etc. national film directors which exemplify the function of filmmaking as a tool 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 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.

CLSL GU4017 The Central European Grotesque. 3.00 points.
Central Europe is home to large number of authors, artists, and directors who made use of the critical power of the grotesque. Beginning from the fin-de-siecle and moving to the contemporary moment, students will get to know a wide range of grotesque art from Central Europe as well as several of the critical approaches to the subject. The course should be of interest to anyone studying Central European culture, as well as students interested in cultural studies more generally. Students will learn to identify and analyze examples of the grotesque through a variety of theoretical lenses. They will also enrich their knowledge of Central European literature and culture.

CLSL GU4016 Socialist World Literature. 3.00 points.
This course researches the potentiality and development of a Socialist World Literature. Students will learn about the more contemporary constructions of World Literature in the West, and then look at how the Soviet Union and its satellites potentially crafted an alternative to the contemporary construction. The class will then examine whether the Soviet version addressed some of the criticism of the contemporary definitions of World Literature, particularly through addressing the colonialism and nationalism. Students will learn about the complex history of World Literature and its definitions, reading the major theorists of the concept as well as the major critics. They will also create their own arguments about World Literature in a highly-scaffolded major project due at the end of the term. All readings will be provided online.

Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian Literature and Culture

BCRS UN1101 ELEM BOSNIAN/CROATIAN/SERBIAN. 4.00 points.
Essentials of the spoken and written language. Prepares students to read texts of moderate difficulty by the end of the first year.

BCRS UN1102 ELEM BOSNIAN/CROATIAN/SERBIAN. 4.00 points.
Essentials of the spoken and written language. Prepares students to read texts of moderate difficulty by the end of the first year.
BCRS UN2101 INTER BOSNIAN/CROATIAN/SERBIAN. 4.00 points.
Prerequisites: BCRS UN1102 or the equivalent.
Prerequisites: BCRS UN1102 or the equivalent. Readings in Serbian/Croatian/Bosnian literature in the original, with emphasis depending upon the needs of individual students

Fall 2023: BCRS UN2101
Course Number  Section/Call Number  Times/Location  Instructor  Points  Enrollment
BCRS 2101  001/10368  T W F 11:40am - 12:55pm  Aleksandar Boskovic  4.00  4/12
352b International Affairs Bldg

Spring 2024: BCRS UN2102
Course Number  Section/Call Number  Times/Location  Instructor  Points  Enrollment
BCRS 2102  001/10743  T W F 11:40am - 12:55pm  Aleksandar Boskovic  4.00  1/12
352b International Affairs Bldg

BCRS GU4331 ADV BOSNIAN/CROATIAN/SERBIAN. 3.00 points.
Prerequisites: BCRS UN2102
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

Fall 2023: BCRS GU4331
Course Number  Section/Call Number  Times/Location  Instructor  Points  Enrollment
BCRS 4331  001/10371  T W 11:10am - 2:25pm  Aleksandar Boskovic  3.00  4/12
352c International Affairs Bldg

Spring 2024: BCRS GU4332
Course Number  Section/Call Number  Times/Location  Instructor  Points  Enrollment
BCRS 4332  001/10744  T W 11:10am - 2:25pm  Aleksandar Boskovic  3.00  3/12
352c International Affairs Bldg

Czech Language and Literature

CZCH UN1101 ELEMENTARY CZECH I. 4.00 points.
Essentials of the spoken and written language. Prepare students to read texts of moderate difficulty by the end of the first year

Fall 2023: CZCH UN1101
Course Number  Section/Call Number  Times/Location  Instructor  Points  Enrollment
CZCH 1101  001/10363  T Th F 10:10am - 11:25am  Christopher Harwood  4.00  4/12
351c International Affairs Bldg

CZCH UN1102 ELEMENTARY CZECH II. 4.00 points.
Essentials of the spoken and written language. Prepare students to read texts of moderate difficulty by the end of the first year

Spring 2024: CZCH UN1102
Course Number  Section/Call Number  Times/Location  Instructor  Points  Enrollment
CZCH 1102  001/11030  T Th F 10:10am - 11:25am  Christopher Harwood  4.00  2/12
406 Hamilton Hall

CZCH UN2101 INTERMEDIATE CZECH I. 4.00 points.
Prerequisites: CZCH UN1102 or the equivalent
Prerequisites: CZCH UN1102 or the equivalent Readings in contemporary fiction and nonfiction, depending upon the interests of individual students

Fall 2023: CZCH UN2101
Course Number  Section/Call Number  Times/Location  Instructor  Points  Enrollment
CZCH 2101  001/10364  T 11:40am - 12:55pm  Christopher Harwood  4.00  2/12
351c International Affairs Bldg

CZCH 2101  001/10364  Th 11:40am - 12:55pm  Christopher Harwood  4.00  2/12
352 International Affairs Bldg

CZCH 2101  001/10364  F 11:40am - 12:55pm  Christopher Harwood  4.00  2/12
352 International Affairs Bldg

CZCH UN2102 INTERMEDIATE CZECH II. 4.00 points.
Prerequisites: CZCH UN1102 or the equivalent
Prerequisites: CZCH UN1102 or the equivalent Rapid review of grammar. Readings in contemporary fiction and nonfiction, depending upon the interests of individual students

Spring 2024: CZCH UN2102
Course Number  Section/Call Number  Times/Location  Instructor  Points  Enrollment
CZCH 2102  001/11031  T Th F 11:40am - 12:55pm  Christopher Harwood  4.00  1/12
606 Lewisohn Hall

CLCZ GU4030 POSTWAR CZECH LITERATURE. 3.00 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 1968-FILM # LIT. 3.00 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. 3.00 points.
Prerequisites: two years of college Czech or the equivalent. A close study of the Czech new wave

Fall 2023: CZCH GU4333
Course Number  Section/Call Number  Times/Location  Instructor  Points  Enrollment
CZCH 4333  001/10365  M W 10:10am - 11:25am  Christopher Harwood  3.00  2/12
608 Lewisohn Hall
**CZCH GU4334 READINGS IN CZECH LITERATURE II. 3.00 points.**
Prerequisites: two years of college Czech or the equivalent.
Prerequisites: two years of college Polish 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.

**Spring 2024: CZCH GU4334**

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**Polish Language and Literature**

**POLI UN1101 ELEMENTARY POLISH I. 4.00 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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**POLI UN1102 ELEMENTARY POLISH II. 4.00 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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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 UN3997 SUPERVISED INDIVIDUAL RESEARCH. 2.00-4.00 points.

UKRN GU4001 Advanced Ukrainian I. 3 points.
Prerequisites: UKRN UN2102 or the equivalent.
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UKRN GU4002 Advanced Ukrainian II. 3 points.
Prerequisites: UKRN UN2102 or the equivalent.
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UKRN GU4006 Advanced Ukrainian Through Literature, Media, and Politics. 3.00 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 GU4054 CREATING ID-CONTEMP UKRN CULTR. 3.00 points.

This course presents and examines post-Soviet Ukrainian literature. Students will learn about the significant achievements, names, events, scandals and polemics in contemporary Ukrainian literature and will see how they have contributed to Ukraine’s post-Soviet identity. Students will examine how Ukrainian literature became an important site for experimentation with language, for providing feminist perspectives, for engaging previously-banned taboos and for deconstructing Soviet and Ukrainian national myths. Among the writers to be focused on in the course are Serhiy Zhadan, Yuri Andrukhovych, Oksana Zabuzhko and Taras Prokhasko. Centered on the most important successes in literature, the course will also explore key developments in music and visual art of this period. Special focus will be given to how the 2013/2014 Euromaidan revolution and war are treated in today’s literature. By also studying Ukrainian literature with regards to its relationship with Ukraine’s changing political life, students will obtain a good understanding of the dynamics of today’s Ukraine and the development of Ukrainians as a nation in the 21st century. The course will be complemented by audio and video presentations. Entirely in English with a parallel reading list for those who read Ukrainian.

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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 will be 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 not required.

**Hungarian**

**HNGR UN1101 ELEMENTARY HUNGARIAN I. 4.00 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.

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**HNGR UN1102 ELEMENTARY HUNGARIAN II. 4.00 points.**
Introduction to the basic structures of the Hungarian language. With the instructors 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.

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**HNGR UN2101 INTERMEDIATE HUNGARIAN I. 4.00 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.

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**HNGR UN2102 INTERMEDIATE COURSE II. 4.00 points.**
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**HNGR UN3341 ADVANCED READINGS IN HUNGARIAN. 3.00 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.

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**HNGR UN3343 DESCRIPTIVE GRAMMAR-HUNGARIAN. 3.00 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.

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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.