INTRODUCTION TO THE MAJOR

The Slavic Languages and Literatures department offers two major tracks. The Major in Russian, East European, and Eurasian Languages and Cultures offers an interdisciplinary area studies approach to the languages and cultures of this huge, diverse, and vitally important region of the world. Students focus on one language: Russian, Armenian, Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian, Czech, Hungarian, or Polish. The Major in Russian Language and Literature is designed to give students in-depth knowledge of Russian language and literature. Graduates go on to careers in fields such as journalism, business, diplomacy, international development, education, social work, health, and environmental affairs. A Slavic major also provides excellent preparation for graduate studies as well as a sound background in the liberal arts for those attending professional school.

ADDITIONAL OPTIONS

The Slavic Department’s majors are flexible: we take into account individual students’ academic interests, prior exposure to the area, and knowledge of its languages. Already have an intended major but interested in Slavic Language and Literatures? Consider adding a double major or minor.

For non-majors, we offer a number of courses (taught in English) that fulfill breadth requirements in Arts and Literature, Philosophy and Values, Historical Studies, Social and Behavioral Sciences, and International Studies, as well as Freshmen and Sophomore seminars.
SLAVIC LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES
Bachelor of Arts

DESIGN YOUR JOURNEY

FIRST YEAR
- Meet with your major and college advisor to discuss your academic plans.
- Review major and college requirements.
- Enroll in LBS’s and HUM 10 (Compass Courses).
- Take the language placement exam for your chosen language of study.

SECOND YEAR
- Begin working on lower division requirements including language and literature/culture courses for your major track, and declare the major.
- Review the major guidelines for study abroad.

THIRD YEAR
- Focus on upper division requirements for your major track and concentration.
- Review your degree progress with your major and college advisor.
- Complement your major with a certificate, course thread, or summer minor.

FOURTH YEAR
- Do a degree check to ensure you are on track to graduate.
- Complete any “bucket list” courses.
- Finish remaining major, college, and campus requirements.
- Consider a membership in Dobro Slovo, the National Slavic Honors Society.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY MAJOR?

Jobs and Employers
- Associate, Pilbrow Law
- Attorney, Winston & Straun
- Aviation Instructor
- Business Development, SAP
- Digital News Producer, KTLA
- Digital Skills & Financial Literacy Specialist, International Rescue Committee
- Fulbright English Teach Asst., Russia
- Intl. Trad. Antis., Northrup Grummond
- Law Clerk, Cook Cty. Public Defender
- Taxonomist, Walmart Labs
- Res. and Program Assoc., Brennan Ctr. Writer, The Armenian Weekly

Graduate Programs
- Chemistry, PhD
- Comparative Literature, PhD
- History, Masters
- International Relations, Masters
- Medical Neurosciences, Masters
- Russian Literature, PhD

Examples gathered from the First Destination Survey of recent Berkeley graduates.

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