DEPARTMENT OF GERMANIC AND SLAVIC LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES

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Introduction
The Department of Germanic and Slavic Languages and Literatures conducts research and offers instruction in the languages, literatures, and cultures of central, northern, and eastern Europe and northern Asia. It offers multiple tracks for undergraduate study for those interested in German programs (two concentrations), Slavic programs (two concentrations), and Central European studies (one concentration). A major in Germanic and Slavic languages and literatures provides preparatory training that will be useful in government employment, internationally-oriented business, journalism, law, and teaching; as well as graduate study in a range of humanistic and social science disciplines.

Advising
Students can complete any concentration, even if they have no prior experience in the language, provided that they begin taking their language courses as first-year students.

All majors and minors have a primary academic advisor in Steele Building. Students should meet regularly with their primary advisor and review their Tar Heel Tracker each semester.

However, departmental academic advising is also important for all students majoring or minorin the department. Current and prospective majors and minors should confer with the department’s director of undergraduate studies regarding plans of study, study abroad course approvals, internship opportunities, and transfer credit.

Students seeking certification to teach German or Russian in public schools should consult advisors in the School of Education.

Graduate School and Career Opportunities
In an age of rapid internationalization and globalization, proficiency in a foreign language is no longer just an auxiliary skill but a necessary one. Courses offered in the department make up an important part of a liberal education, and a major or minor can provide excellent preparation for many careers, particularly when the major or minor is combined with courses in business, economics, political science, journalism, and various other fields. Recent graduates have entered careers in international business, journalism, publishing, and the travel industry.

A bachelor of arts with a major in Germanic and Slavic languages and literatures also qualifies graduates for positions in the U.S. Department of State and other government agencies, educational organizations, foundations, and travel organizations. The presence of over 100 German and Swiss firms in the Carolinas testifies to the demand for a high degree of German linguistic and cultural literacy in college graduates. The department is also one among very few in the United States that offers a range of critical and/or less commonly taught languages of Central and Eastern Europe. People who know these languages are in particularly high demand in business and government.

In addition, the demand for language teachers provides career opportunities for those German and Russian majors who also receive teaching certification from the School of Education.

German and Slavic majors often go on to graduate programs in comparative literature, linguistics, history, law, international business and management, international relations, professional translation, medicine, and education. Some pursue careers as college professors. Many Chapel Hill German and Slavic majors have been welcomed by the most prestigious graduate programs in the country. The department’s faculty members can assist undergraduate majors in selecting appropriate graduate programs.

Majors
• Germanic and Slavic Languages and Literatures Major, B.A.–Central European Studies Concentration (http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/germanic-slavic-languages-literatures-major-ba-central-european-studies-concentration)
• Germanic and Slavic Languages and Literatures Major, B.A.–German Literature and Culture Concentration (http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/germanic-slavic-languages-literatures-major-ba-german-literature-culture-concentration)
• Germanic and Slavic Languages and Literatures Major, B.A.–German Media, Arts, and Culture Concentration (http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/germanic-slavic-languages-literatures-major-ba-german-media-arts-culture-concentration)
• Germanic and Slavic Languages and Literatures Major, B.A.–Russian Language and Culture Concentration (http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/germanic-slavic-languages-literatures-major-ba-russian-language-culture-concentration)
• Germanic and Slavic Languages and Literatures Major, B.A.–Slavic and East European Languages and Cultures Concentration (http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/germanic-slavic-languages-literatures-major-slavic-east-european-languages-cultures-concentration)

Minors
• German Minor (http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/german-minor)
• Russian Culture Minor (http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/russian-culture-minor)
• Slavic and East European Languages and Cultures Minor (http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/slavic-east-european-languages-cultures-minor)

Graduate Programs
- M.A. in German Studies (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/germanic-slavic-languages-literatures)
- Ph.D. in German Studies (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/germanic-slavic-languages-literatures)

**Professors**
Ruth von Bernuth, Eric Downing, Clayton Koelb, Hana Pichova, David Pike, Paul Roberge.

**Associate Professors**

**Assistant Professors**
Aleksandra Prica, Stanislav Shvabrin.

**Teaching Associate Professor**
Eleonora Magomedova.

**Teaching Assistant Professors**
Natalia Chernysheva, Claire Scott, Christina Weiler.

**Professors Emeriti**

**GSLL – Germanic and Slavic Languages and Literatures**

**Undergraduate-level Courses**

**GSLL 50. First-Year Seminar: Literary Fantasy and Historical Reality. 3 Credits.**
The intersection of literary fantasy with historical reality considered in two ways: (1) fantastic-looking tales based on historical reality; and (2) stories describing fantastic situations that actually came true. Previously offered as GERM 50.
*Gen Ed*: LA, CI, NA.
*Grading status*: Letter grade.

**GSLL 51. First-Year Seminar: Stalin and Hitler: Historical Issues in Cultural and Other Perspectives. 3 Credits.**
Critical issues that dominated the 20th century: WWI and Bolshevik Revolution; rise of fascism, Lenin, Stalin, Hitler and their roles; origins and evolution of Cold War; collapse of Eastern Bloc. Previously offered as GERM 51.
*Gen Ed*: HS, GL.
*Grading status*: Letter grade.

**GSLL 53. First-Year Seminar: Early Germanic Culture: Myth, Magic, Murder, and Mayhem. 3 Credits.**
Introduction to pre-Christian culture of Germany, Anglo-Saxon England, and Scandinavia from the late Roman Empire through the Viking Age, as preserved in myths, sagas, charms, inscriptions, and historical documents. Previously offered as GERM 53.
*Gen Ed*: HS, NA, WB.
*Grading status*: Letter grade.

**GSLL 54. First-Year Seminar: Once upon a Fairy Tale: Fairy Tales and Childhood, Then and Now. 3 Credits.**
Fairy tales from different national traditions and historical periods read through various critical lenses, against a backdrop of changing historical conceptions of the child. Works from Grimm, Anderson, Brontë, Disney, etc. Students may not receive credit for both GSLL 54 and GERM 279/CMPL 279. Previously offered as GERM 54.
*Gen Ed*: LA, NA.
*Grading status*: Letter grade.

**GSLL 55. First-Year Seminar: Fantasies of Rome: Gladiators, Senators, Soothsayers, and Caesars. 3 Credits.**
Introduces students to study of humanities by examining how the idea of Rome evolved through poetry, history, philosophy, opera, even forgery into a concept that has long outlasted the Romans. Previously offered as GERM 55.
*Gen Ed*: HS, CI, WB.
*Grading status*: Letter grade.

**GSLL 56. First-Year Seminar: Germans, Jews, and the History of Anti-Semitism. 3 Credits.**
This course seeks to explore the historically difficult position of minorities in the modern world, using the situation of Jews in Germany from the 18th century to the Holocaust as a case study. Previously offered as GERM 56.
*Gen Ed*: HS, CI, NA.
*Grading status*: Letter grade
*Same as*: JWST 56.

**GSLL 58. First-Year Seminar: Love in the Middle Ages. 3 Credits.**
Examines development of notion of love from antiquity through Middle Ages to today. Discusses marriage, adultery, violence, power, gender roles. Introduces the study of humanities through reading, analysis, and research. Previously offered as GERM 58.
*Gen Ed*: HS, CI, WB.
*Grading status*: Letter grade.

**GSLL 59. First-Year Seminar: Moscow 1937: Dictatorships and Their Defenders. 3 Credits.**
Stalinist Soviet Union serves as a case study to examine how dictatorships develop and how they tend to be enveloped in justifications and kept in existence by outside observers. Previously offered as GERM 59.
*Gen Ed*: HS, GL.
*Grading status*: Letter grade.

**GSLL 60. First-Year Seminar: Avant-Garde Cinema: History, Themes, Textures. 3 Credits.**
Students explore the international history, filmic techniques and cultural meanings of non-narrative cinema of the 20th century. Students also transform in-class discussions and individual essays into video projects. Previously offered as GERM 60.
*Gen Ed*: VP.
*Grading status*: Letter grade.

**GSLL 63. First-Year Seminar: Performing America. 3 Credits.**
The intersection of performance in a theater space and in everyday life will serve as a springboard to investigating the diversity of contemporary America. Examines how race, class, religion, sexuality, sexual orientation, history, and death are performed in America today. Previously offered as GERM 63.
*Gen Ed*: VP.
*Grading status*: Letter grade.
GSLL 65. First-Year Seminar: German Heroes? Knights, Tricksters, and Magicians. 3 Credits.
This course seeks to explore literary heroes in European literature from the Middle Ages to the Enlightenment. We will discuss concepts of heroism and how those ideas have changed over time. Previously offered as GERM 65.
Gen Ed: LA, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 67. First-Year Seminar: Blackness in the European Imaginary, Europe in the Black Imaginary. 3 Credits.
This seminar deals with how encounters between Europe and the African Diaspora have changed notions of race, nation, identity, and belonging in the 20th century. Through engaging with diverse texts—literary, nonliterary, and visual—we will explore the construction of blackness in various national and historical contexts. Previously offered as GERM 67.
Gen Ed: GL, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 68. First-Year Seminar: Intensity, Vitality, Ecstasy: Affects in Literature, Film, and Philosophy. 3 Credits.
This course focuses on three powerful affective states that challenge the conception of humans as autonomous, independent beings: intensity, vitality, and ecstasy. We will examine both philosophical and artistic representations of these particular states, focusing on the way in which they both endanger and enrich our experience of the world. Previously offered as GERM 68. Honors version available.
Gen Ed: PH, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 68H. First-Year Seminar: Intensity, Vitality, Ecstasy: Affects in Literature, Film, and Philosophy. 3 Credits.
This course focuses on three powerful affective states that challenge the conception of humans as autonomous, independent beings: intensity, vitality, and ecstasy. We will examine both philosophical and artistic representations of these particular states, focusing on the way in which they both endanger and enrich our experience of the world.
Gen Ed: PH, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 69. First-Year Seminar: Laughing and Crying at the Movies: Film and Experience. 3 Credits.
Why is it that we cry at the movies? We will focus on the melodrama but also look at comedy and horror to think about emotional responses to films. Students will learn the basics of film analysis, gain an overview of genre cinema, and study approaches to emotion, affect, and the body.
Gen Ed: VP.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 70. First-Year Seminar: Teenage Kicks: Race, Class, and Gender in Postwar Youth Cultures. 3 Credits.
This seminar investigates youth cultures from the 1940s to the present in the United States and around the world. It offers students a history of how different youth cultures developed over time, and consideration of how the constitution of youth cultures has been influenced by factors like race, class, and gender.
Gen Ed: LA, EE- Mentored Research, GL.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 75. First-Year Seminar: The Book of Books: Literature and the Bible. 3 Credits.
This seminar examines the influence the Bible had on great works of Western literature and traces this powerful literary tradition through different cultures and historical periods. Readings and discussions in English.
Gen Ed: LA, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 80. Not Just Dogs: Animals in Russian Literature. 3 Credits.
This course explores the question of the animal in the works of major Russian writers (Gogol, Dostoevsky, Tolstoy, Turgenev, Chekhov, Platonov). Among the topics to be discussed are: The animal as the other; animal and human natures: dominance and submission, ethics of human/animal relations, and the trope of "talking" animals. Readings and discussions in English.
Gen Ed: LA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 81. First-Year Seminar: Metaphor and the Body. 3 Credits.
All human beings inhabit a physical body, with inherent oppositions of inside/outside, up/down, and left/right. This course examines bodily experience as the wellspring of meaning. Previously offered as SLAV 81.
Gen Ed: LA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 82. First-Year Seminar: Doctor Stories. 3 Credits.
Explores and reflects on the experience and significance of being a doctor in Russia and the United States, analyzing "doctors' stories" presented in fiction, nonfiction, film, and other media. Previously offered as SLAV 82.
Gen Ed: LA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 84. First-Year Seminar: Terror for the People: Terrorism in Russian Literature and History. 3 Credits.
Terror was used as a political weapon in 19th-century Russia. This seminar introduces the terrorists through their own writings and fictional representations in novels by Fyodor Dostoevsky and Joseph Conrad. Previously offered as SLAV 84.
Gen Ed: LA, BN, CI.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 85. First-Year Seminar: Children and War. 3 Credits.
Readings for this seminar include children's wartime diaries, adult memoirs of child survivors, and fiction from Central and Eastern Europe. Previously offered as SLAV 85.
Gen Ed: LA, GL.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 87. First-Year Seminar: Literature Confronting Totalitarianism. 3 Credits.
What is totalitarianism? Can a portrayal of suffering, even death, under a totalitarian state, have artistic value, or must it remain only a political pamphlet? This seminar studies authors who reveal the crimes of totalitarianism, while also showing the moral strength and/or weaknesses of humans victimized by the totalitarian state.
Gen Ed: LA.
Grading status: Letter grade.
GSLL 88H. First-Year Seminar: Gender and Fiction in Central and Eastern Europe. 3 Credits.
An introduction to the region, this course examines the role of gender in central and east European literature from the end of the 19th century to contemporary times. Course materials include novels, films, historical readings, and essays. Readings and class discussions in English. Previously offered as SLAV 88H.
Gen Ed: LA, BN.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 89. First-Year Seminar: Special Topics in Germanic and Slavic Languages and Literatures. 3 Credits.
Special topics course. Content will vary each semester.
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit; may be repeated in the same term for different topics; 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 212. Game of Thrones and the Worlds of the European Middle Ages. 3 Credits.
This course offers a historical perspective on the adaptation of medieval culture in "Game of Thrones." We will focus on topics such as family, politics, religion, violence, gender, slavery, outcasts, knighthood, travel, heroes, myths, and magic. Readings and discussions in English.
Gen Ed: LA, WB.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 218. Christianity and Islam in the Middle Ages. 3 Credits.
This course draws on a variety of cultural documents to explore both the conflict and cross fertilization between the Christian and Islamic cultures of the Middle Ages. Readings and discussions in English. Previously offered as GERM 218.
Gen Ed: HS, GL, WB.
Grading status: Letter grade
Same as: RELI 218.

GSLL 225. Popular and Pious: Early Modern Jewish Literature. 3 Credits.
This seminar covers popular and pious literature written by and for Jews in the 15th to 18th century in German-speaking countries. Originally written in Old Yiddish, this literature preserved the popular European genres and nonfiction accounts of Jewish community and family life. Previously offered as GERM 225.
Gen Ed: LA, NA, WB.
Grading status: Letter grade
Same as: JWST 225.

GSLL 246. Reality and Its Discontents: Kant to Kafka. 3 Credits.
An examination of "reality," as defined and redefined by Kant and his successors, in the context of European culture of the late 18th, 19th, and early 20th centuries. Readings and discussions in English. Previously offered as GERM 246.
Gen Ed: PH, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 251. Ideology and Aesthetics: Marxism and Literature. 3 Credits.
Examines clash between 20th-century writers and the state in countries where a single government or party used an exclusive ideology as justification for interference in cultural and literary affairs. Discussions and texts in English. Previously offered as GERM 251.
Gen Ed: HS, GL.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 252. South Africa in Literary Perspective. 3 Credits.
Course aims at an understanding of the South African experience as represented by that country's important writers. Readings include works by Gordimer, Coetzee, Mphahlele, Breytenbach, Fugard, Ndebele, Paton, la Guma. All materials in English. Previously offered as GERM 252.
Gen Ed: LA, BN.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 254H. The Division of Germany, Reunification, and Conflict with Russia. 3 Credits.
Why was occupied Germany divided into two states after World War II? Were the Cold War and division inevitable? We explore these questions in two chronological contexts: 1945-1949 and 1989-present, with emphasis on the reemergence of Western conflict with Putin's Russia. Readings and discussions in English. Previously offered as GERM 254. Honors version available
Gen Ed: HS, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 254H. The Division of Germany, Reunification, and Conflict with Russia. 3 Credits.
Why was occupied Germany divided into two states after World War II? Were the Cold War and division inevitable? We explore these questions in two chronological contexts: 1945-1949 and 1989-present, with emphasis on the reemergence of Western conflict with Putin's Russia. Readings and discussions in English. Previously offered as GERM 254. Honors version available
Gen Ed: HS, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 255. Germany and Cold War: Occupation, Division, Reunification, Renewed Conflict with Russia (1945-Today). 3 Credits.
This course investigates the central role played by the "German question" in the break-up of the wartime alliance, the emergence of East-West political blocs, the subsequent dissolution of the USSR, and the return to new Russian-Western antagonisms. Readings and discussions in English. Previously offered as GERM 255.
Gen Ed: HS, GL, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 260. From Berlin to Budapest: Literature, Film, and Culture of Central Europe. 3 Credits.
Central Europe, at the center of dramatic historical changes--WWII, emergence of independent nation states, WWII and Holocaust, Communism and its end, incorporation into the European Union--produced unprecedented cultural results. The creative voices of writers and filmmakers have relevance far beyond this region.
Gen Ed: LA, GL.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 268. Cultural Trends in Post-Communist Central Europe: Search for Identity, Importance of Jewish Voices. 3 Credits.
We will study how contemporary literary and cinematic works of Central European intellectuals serve as reflections on the everyday life of this region. Readings and class discussions in English. Films with English subtitles.
Gen Ed: LA, BN.
Grading status: Letter grade
Same as: JWST 268.
GSLL 269. Springtime for Hitler. Jews on Stage from Shakespeare to Mel Brooks. 3 Credits.
This course examines the roles and representations of Jews in the world of the theater from Shakespeare’s The Merchant of Venice to the present, considering dramas, operas, musicals, film adaptations, and films. Readings and discussions in English.
Gen Ed: VP, CI, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade
Same as: CMPL 269, JWST 269.

GSLL 270. German Culture and the Jewish Question. 3 Credits.
A study of the role of Jews and the “Jewish question” in German culture from 1750 to the Holocaust and beyond. Discussions and texts (literary, political, theological) in English. Previously offered as GERM 270.
Gen Ed: HS, GL, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade
Same as: CMPL 270, JWST 239, RELI 239.

GSLL 271. Vampires and Empires. 3 Credits.
An examination of the vampire in the visual and verbal cultures of Central and Eastern Europe, and the popular adaptation of “vampirism” in the West. All materials and discussions in English. Previously offered as HUNG 271.
Gen Ed: BN.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 277. The Moon in Song, Story, and Science: Mentored Research Projects in Cultural History. 3 Credits.
Consideration of our satellite both as a natural object that can be investigated scientifically and as a cultural object that has been the subject of highly varied treatments in poems and stories throughout human history. Students engage in mentored research culminating in a substantial essay. Readings and discussions in English.
Gen Ed: LA, CI, EE- Mentored Research.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 278. Music, Image, Text. 3 Credits.
This course examines the relationship between text, music, and the visual arts, focusing on the way in which nonliterary aesthetic content may both mediate and call into question cultural values.
Gen Ed: VP, CI.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 280. The Dialectic of Whiteness and Blackness in Atlantic Cultures. 3 Credits.
Traces the invention of race, racism, and discourses of cultural inferiority/superiority throughout Western culture. What historical events created the necessity for racist thinking? How did colonialism and transatlantic migration change Atlantic cultures? Why did black culture become fashionable? Is the 21st century “post-racial”? Readings and course descriptions in English.
Gen Ed: GL, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 281. Holocaust Cinema in Eastern Europe. 3 Credits.
A critical look at varieties of cinematic representation and memorialization of the Holocaust, from those countries of Europe where it mostly took place. Taught in English. All films in (or subtitled in) English. Previously offered as SLAV 281.
Gen Ed: VP, BN.
Grading status: Letter grade
Same as: CMPL 281.

GSLL 283. Hungarian Cinema since World War II. 3 Credits.
An introduction to Hungarian society and culture since the end of World War II through a selection of film classics. Films with English subtitles. Readings and discussions in English. Previously offered as HUNG 280.
Gen Ed: VP, BN.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 284. Philosophy and the Arts. 3 Credits.
This course examines the different ways in which philosophical texts and works of art presuppose, articulate, and call into question cultural norms and values, with a special emphasis on conceptions of selfhood in various philosophical movements (for example, in Existentialism, the Enlightenment, Romanticism, etc.).
Gen Ed: PH.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 285. Dissent and Protest in Central Europe. 3 Credits.
This course examines cultures of dissent and protest in Central Europe, including student protests of the 1960s and the fall of Communism in 1989. Materials include literature, film, music, theatre, and popular culture from Czechoslovakia, East Germany, West Germany, Hungary, and Poland. Readings and discussions in English.
Gen Ed: HS, GL.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 306. Language and Nationalism. 3 Credits.
This course focuses on language, identity, and nationalism in contemporary societies, with special emphasis on Europe, Africa, Asia, and the United States. Previously offered as SLAV 306.
Gen Ed: CI, GL.
Grading status: Letter grade
Same as: LING 306.

Advanced Undergraduate and Graduate-level Courses

GSLL 465. Literature of Atrocity: The Gulag and the Holocaust in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe. 3 Credits.
Historical contexts and connections through artistic representation of the Holocaust and Soviet terror in Eastern Europe and the USSR. Taught in English; some foreign language readings for qualified students.
Gen Ed: LA, BN, GL.
Grading status: Letter grade
Same as: JWST 465, PWAD 465.

GSLL 467. Language and Political Identity. 3 Credits.
This course examines the roles of language policy and linguistic controversies in determining national identity and fueling political polarization. It focuses primarily on Western and Eastern Europe and Central Asia. Previously offered as SLAV 467.
Gen Ed: BN, CI.
Grading status: Letter grade
Same as: PWAD 467.

GSLL 475. Magical Realism: Central European Literature in a Global Context. 3 Credits.
This course studies magical realism in Central European literature and film by placing it in a global literary/cinema context. Readings and discussions in English.
Gen Ed: LA, GL.
Grading status: Letter grade.
GSLL 480. Interrogating Cultures of Fascism: Introduction to Frankfurt School's Critical Theory 1923-Present. 3 Credits.
This research-intensive seminar for advanced undergraduates covers the history of the Frankfurt School as well as the scope of its theory for contemporary social, political, and cultural analysis. Taught in English; some readings in German for qualified students. Students must have junior or senior standing or have permission of the instructor.
Gen Ed: PH.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 489. GSLL Across the Curriculum (LAC). 1 Credit.
This one-credit hour class aims to develop and facilitate conversational skills in a Germanic or Slavic language in the context of the current political, economic, and cultural climate. Knowledge of the language of instruction at the upper-intermediate level required.
Requisites: Prerequisite, BCS 404, CZCH 404, DTCH 404, GERM 204, HUNG 404, KAZH 404, PLSH 404, RUSS 204, or UKRN 404; permission of instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit; may be repeated in the same term for different topics; 6 total credits. 6 total completions.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 490. Topics in Germanic and Slavic Languages and Literatures. 3 Credits.
Examines selected themes in the history, culture, society, art, and/or literature of Germanic and Slavic/East European countries.
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit; may be repeated in the same term for different topics; 12 total credits. 4 total completions.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 496. Independent Readings in Germanic and Slavic/East European Studies. 1-3 Credits.
Special readings and research in a selected field or topic related to Germanic and Slavic/East European Studies, under the direction of a faculty member.
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit. 12 total credits. 4 total completions.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 560. Reading Other Cultures: Issues in Literary Translation. 3 Credits.
Permission of the instructor. Reading knowledge of a language other than English recommended. Starting from the proposition that cultural literacy would be impossible without reliance on translations, this course addresses fundamental issues in the practice, art, and politics of literary translation. Previously offered as SLAV 560.
Grading status: Letter grade
Same as: CMPL 560.

GSLL 683. Moving-Image Avant-gardes and Experimentalism. 3 Credits.
History and theory of international avant-garde and experimentalist movements in film, video, intermedia, multimedia, and digital formats. Content and focus may vary from semester to semester. Previously offered as GERM 683.
Requisites: Prerequisite, ARTH 159, COMM 140, or ENGL 142; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit; may be repeated in the same term for different topics; 12 total credits. 4 total completions.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 691H. Honors Course. 3 Credits.
Permission of the director of undergraduate studies. For majors only. Reading and special studies under the direction of a faculty member.
Gen Ed: EE- Mentored Research.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 692H. Honors Course. 3 Credits.
Permission of the director of undergraduate studies. For majors only. Reading and preparation of an essay under the direction of a faculty member, designed to lead to the completion of the honors thesis.
Gen Ed: EE- Mentored Research.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GSLL 693H. Honors Seminar. 3 Credits.
Permission of the director of undergraduate studies. For majors only. Introduction to research techniques and preparation of an essay, designed to lead to the completion of the honors thesis.
Gen Ed: EE- Mentored Research.
Grading status: Letter grade.

DTCH–Dutch
Undergraduate-level Courses

DTCH 275. Rising Fortunes and Rising Tides: The Dutch Golden Age and its Legacy. 3 Credits.
This study abroad course provides students with in-depth exposure to the history and culture of the Netherlands in the 17th century through the lens of its chief city, Amsterdam. Conducted in English. No knowledge of Dutch is required.
Gen Ed: EE- Service Learning, NA, WB.
Grading status: Letter grade.

DTCH 396. Independent Readings in Dutch. 3 Credits.
Permission of the instructor. Special readings and research in a selected field or topic under the direction of a faculty member.
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit; may be repeated in the same term for different topics; 12 total credits. 4 total completions.
Grading status: Letter grade.

Advanced Undergraduate and Graduate-level Courses

DTCH 402. Elementary Dutch. 3 Credits.
The first course in the Dutch language sequence, DTCH 402 is a rapid introduction to modern Dutch with emphasis on all fundamental components of communication. Completion of DTCH 402 fulfills level 2 of a foreign language.
Gen Ed: FL.
Grading status: Letter grade.

DTCH 403. Intermediate Dutch. 3 Credits.
The second course in the Dutch language sequence, DTCH 403 focuses on increased skills in speaking, listening, reading, global comprehension, and communication. Emphasis on reading and discussion of longer texts. Completion of DTCH 403 fulfills level 3 of a foreign language.
Requisites: Prerequisite, DTCH 402; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: FL.
Grading status: Letter grade.

DTCH 404. Advanced Intermediate Dutch. 3 Credits.
This third Dutch course completes the language sequence. DTCH 404 aims to increase proficiency in language skills (reading, speaking, writing) and is constructed around a series of themes meant to introduce students to Dutch society, culture, and history. Completion of DTCH 404 fulfills level 4 of a foreign language.
Requisites: Prerequisite, DTCH 403; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: FL.
Grading status: Letter grade.
DTCH 405. Topics in Dutch Culture: A Literary Survey. 3 Credits.
Ability to read and speak Dutch at intermediate to advanced level recommended. Introduction to Dutch literature from Middle Ages to the present. Survey of topics in Dutch culture.
Requisites: Prerequisite, DTCH 404; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: LA, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM—German

Undergraduate-level Courses

GERM 101. Elementary German. 4 Credits.
Develops the four language skills (speaking, listening, reading, writing) in a cultural context. In addition to mastering basic vocabulary and grammar, students will communicate in German about everyday topics. Students may not receive credit for both GERM 105 and GERM 101 or 102. Honors version available
Gen Ed: FL.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 102. Advanced Elementary German. 4 Credits.
This continuation of GERM 101 emphasizes speaking, listening, reading, writing in a cultural context. Students enhance their basic vocabulary and grammar and will regularly communicate in German about everyday topics. Students may not receive credit for both GERM 105 and GERM 101 or 102. Honors version available
Gen Ed: FL.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 102H. Advanced Elementary German. 4 Credits.
This continuation of GERM 101 emphasizes speaking, listening, reading, writing in a cultural context. Students enhance their basic vocabulary and grammar and will regularly communicate in German about everyday topics. Students may not receive credit for both GERM 105 and GERM 101 or 102.
Gen Ed: FL.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 105. Intensive Elementary German. 8 Credits.
Experience in German or fluency in another foreign language recommended. An accelerated, intensive course that essentially covers materials of GERM 101 and 102 in one semester. Students may not receive credit for both GERM 105 and GERM 101 or 102.
Gen Ed: FL.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 203. Intermediate German. 3 Credits.
Students acquire necessary materials and opportunities to develop further their language skills in a cultural context. They review and expand upon the basic grammar covered in beginning German. Students may not receive credit for both GERM 206 and GERM 203 or GERM 204. Honors version available
Gen Ed: FL.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 204. Advanced Intermediate German. 3 Credits.
Emphasizes further development of the four language skills (speaking, reading, writing, listening) within a cultural context. Discussions focus on modern Germany, Austria, and Switzerland in literature and film. Students may not receive credit for both GERM 206 and GERM 203 or GERM 204.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 203.
Gen Ed: FL.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 210. Getting Medieval: Knights, Violence, and Romance. 3 Credits.
Offers a historical perspective on the portrayal of medieval culture in film from the 1920s to today. Specific topics include the ideal hero, the quest, etiquette, chivalry, rituals, and love. Readings and discussions in English.
Gen Ed: VP, NA, WB.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 211. Concepts in Medieval Culture. 3 Credits.
This course examines concepts that medieval texts utilize in order to articulate an understanding of human beings, their relations to others, their social, political, and religious worlds. Readings and discussions in English.
Gen Ed: LA, WB.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 216. The Viking Age. 3 Credits.
Lecture/discussion course on Viking culture, mythology, exploration, and expansion of power in northern Europe (approx. 750-1050 CE) as represented in sagas, the Eddas, runic inscriptions, and chronicles.
Readings and discussions in English.
Gen Ed: HS, NA, WB.
Grading status: Letter grade.
GERM 220. Women in the Middle Ages. 3 Credits.
This interdisciplinary course examines representations of women, concepts of gender, and women’s participation in the economic, political, religious, and cultural life of the Middle Ages. Discussion and texts in English.
Gen Ed: LA, NA, WB.
Grading status: Letter grade
Same as: WGST 220.

GERM 227. Luther and the Bible. 3 Credits.
The Reformation was seminal for the development of the modern world. This course will investigate Reformation literature written in the period from the end of the 15th century to the end of the 17th century, and will investigate how Reformation ideas resonate through today. Readings and discussions in English.
Gen Ed: HS, WB.
Grading status: Letter grade

GERM 245. Marx, Nietzsche, and Freud. 3 Credits.
An introduction to the writings of three great German writers of the 19th century who have had enormous impact on the lives of people around the world. Readings and discussions in English.
Gen Ed: PH, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade

GERM 249. German Literature in Translation. 3 Credits.
The idea of world literature was a German invention, proposed by Goethe to describe literature of universal importance for all of humanity. German thought, and German literature, in particular, remains an important component in this canon. This English-language literature course introduces newcomers to some highlights of German literature.
Gen Ed: LA, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade

GERM 255. Hitler in Hollywood: Cinematic Representations of Nazi Germany. 3 Credits.
An examination of selected cinematic representations (both American and German) of Nazi Germany in terms of their aesthetic properties and propagandistic value. Films with English subtitles; readings and discussions in English.
Gen Ed: VP, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade

GERM 256. Weimar Cinema. 3 Credits.
Explores important German films of 1919 to 1933, locating them in their artistic, cultural, and historical context. Treats the contested course of Weimar film history and culture and provides a theoretically informed introduction to the study of film and visual materials. Films with English subtitles; readings and discussions in English.
Gen Ed: VP, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade
Same as: CMPL 256.

GERM 257. Contemporary German and Austrian Cinema. 3 Credits.
Examines exciting new directions in German and Austrian cinema from the past 20 years. By analyzing weekly films, students develop skills in film analysis and criticism; read reviews, interviews, and film-theoretical texts; write a film review; and produce a critical essay. Films with English subtitles; readings and discussions in English. Students may not receive credit for both GERM 257 and 367.
Gen Ed: VP, CI, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade
Same as: CMPL 257.

GERM 258. Auteur Cinema. 3 Credits.
We will explore the works of one German director. By watching a sample of a director’s oeuvre over a significant period of time, students come to understand the director’s arch, identify common threads in their films, and consider how his or her work relates to larger developments in German film history. Films with English subtitles; readings and discussions in English.
Gen Ed: VP, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade

GERM 271. Women in German Cinema. 3 Credits.
Introduction to feminist aesthetics and film theory by the examination of the representation of women in German cinema from expressionism to the present. All materials and discussions in English. Previously offered as GERM/WGST 250.
Gen Ed: VP, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade
Same as: WGST 271, CMPL 271.

GERM 272. History of German Cinema. 3 Credits.
This course explores the major developments of German cinema. All films with English subtitles. Readings and discussions in English. Previously offered as GERM 275.
Gen Ed: VP, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade

GERM 275. Once Upon A Fairy Tale: Fairy Tales and Childhood, Then and Now. 3 Credits.
Considers fairy tales from several different national traditions and historical periods against the backdrop of folklore, literature, psychoanalysis, and the socializing forces directed at children. Students may not receive credit for both GERM 279/CMPL 279 and GSLL 54.
Gen Ed: LA, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade
Same as: CMPL 279.

GERM 280. 20th-Century German Philosophy and Modern Youth Cultures. 3 Credits.
This philosophical Approaches course investigates the rich European intellectual foundations on which 20th-century youth culture erected its triumvirate of sex, drugs, and rock music.
Gen Ed: PH, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade

GERM 281. The German Idea of War: Philosophical Dialogues with the Literary and Visual Arts in WWI. 3 Credits.
This course brings into dialogue key ideas from seminal German philosophers who anticipated, experienced, or survived the Great War, with contemporary works of German literature, film, and painting. Of concern are the ways philosophy’s concepts and art’s themes shaped both one another and the idea of war. Readings and discussions in English.
Gen Ed: PH, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade

GERM 283. Freedom, Terror, and Identity: Modern Philosophy from Kant to Arendt. 3 Credits.
This course investigates how philosophical thought motivates, inspires, and generates forms of agency and identity against cultural tendencies that limit or erode freedom. Readings, lecture, and discussion in English.
Gen Ed: PH, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade
Same as: FWAD 283.
GERM 284. Translations and Adaptations of German Pop Literature. 3 Credits.
By reading a few longer novels over the course of the semester, students will learn how to hone their critical thinking and reading skills, become familiar with a foreign culture, and consider how American culture is reflected back at them in these post-1960 German texts. Readings and discussions in English.
Gen Ed: LA, CI, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 285. Contemporary German Literature in Translation. 3 Credits.
This class will introduce students to the latest translations of recent novels by both established and up-and-coming authors of the post-1989 German literary world. Readings and class discussions in English.
Gen Ed: LA, CI, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 286. (Un)Welcomed Guests? German Reflections on Exile and Immigration. 3 Credits.
This course introduces students to philosophical, literary, and film texts engaging with the ethics of migration. How might the writings by and depictions of refugees throughout German history resonate with the current crisis? The course includes a service learning component, so that students gain experience working with local refugees and are able to use their practical experience to reflect on the theoretical discussions in class. Readings and discussions in English.
Gen Ed: PH, EE- Service Learning, GL.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 290. Topics in German Studies. 3 Credits.
Examines selected themes in the history, culture, society, art, and/or literature of German-speaking countries. Readings and discussions in English.
Gen Ed: LA, NA.
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit; may be repeated in the same term for different topics; 12 total credits. 4 total completions.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 301. Communicating in German. 3 Credits.
Emphasis is on speaking and writing, with shorter readings on contemporary German life to provide subject matter for in-class discussion and regular written compositions. Further goals include improvement of pronunciation and a mastery of grammar.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 204; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: CI, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 302. Contemporary German Society. 3 Credits.
Introduction to contemporary German society from a sociological perspective. The course emphasizes sustained reflection on family structures, class, gender, race, demography, and the political economy of present-day Germany.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 204; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: SS, CI, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 302. Contemporary German Society. 3 Credits.
Examination of the medieval notion of the crusade, conflicts and exchange between East and West, and the ambiguous portrayals of the East in Western medieval literature. Readings and discussions in German.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 303; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: HS, NA, WB.
Grading status: Letter grade.
GERM 325. Fools and Laughter in Early Modern German Literature. 3 Credits.
Fools are everywhere. Human folly is one of the most distinctive preoccupations of German literature of the early modern period. This course will explore the multiple meanings of the German term "fool" in works from the 15th to the 18th century. Readings and discussions in German.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 303; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: LA, NA, WB.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 330. The Age of Goethe. 3 Credits.
German literature from the Enlightenment to Romanticism. Readings include works by Lessing, Goethe, Schiller, Kleist, and the Romantics. Readings and lectures in German.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 303; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: LA, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 349. Vienna-Munich-Berlin: Revolutions in German Art c. 1900. 3 Credits.
Investigation of the interconnectedness of turn-of-the-century arts, philosophy, psychoanalysis with focus on Berlin and Vienna. Works by Nietzsche, Hauptmann, Schnitzler, Freud, Hesse, Hofmannsthal/Stauss, Kafka, Rilke, T. Mann. Readings and lectures in German.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 303; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: LA, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 350. Modern German Literature. 3 Credits.
Study of major works of German literature from 1890 to the present by such authors as Thomas Mann, Kafka, Brecht, Hesse, Büll, and Grass. Readings and lectures in German.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 303; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: LA, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 357. Contemporary German and Austrian Cinema. 3 Credits.
Examines exciting new directions in German and Austrian cinema from the past 20 years. By analyzing weekly films, students develop skills in film analysis and criticism; read reviews, interviews, and film-theoretical texts; write a film review; and produce a critical essay. Readings and discussions in German. Students may not receive credit for both GERM 267 and 367.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 303.
Gen Ed: VP, CI, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 367. The German Novella. 3 Credits.
Famous novellas by authors such as Kleist, Brentano, Meyer, Keller, and Kafka, from the early 19th century to the middle of the 20th century. Readings and discussions in German.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 303; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: LA, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 372. German Drama. 3 Credits.
German drama from the late Enlightenment to the present. Texts include plays by dramatists such as Goethe, Schiller, Kleist, Hauptmann, Brecht, and Dürrenmatt. Readings and lectures in German.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 303; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: LA, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 373. Denk ich an Deutschland...?: German Lyrical Poetry through the Centuries. 3 Credits.
Survey of German lyric poetry from 18th to 21st century; major poets, forms, literary movements discussed. Readings, class discussions, and public recitation in German.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 303; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: VP EE- Performing Arts, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 374. German Theater: Words Speak as Loudly as Actions. 3 Credits.
Students study German plays, write original monodramas, and give two public dramatic performances. Readings, discussions, rehearsals in German aim to enable critique of dramas and theoretical texts.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 303; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: VP EE- Performing Arts, NA.
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 375. German-Language Swiss Literature and Culture. 3 Credits.
This course offers an introduction to the German-language literature and culture of Switzerland. Possible authors include: Jeremias Gotthelf, Gottfried Keller, Robert Walser, Friedrich Dürrenmatt, Max Frisch, Christian Kracht.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 303; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: LA, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 380. Austrian Literature. 3 Credits.
Presents Austria from the Biedermeier period to the end of the monarchy. Readings of works by authors such as Stifter, Schnitzler, Roth, Freud, Herzl, who articulate artistic, political, historical themes. Readings and lectures in German.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 303; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: LA, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.
GERM 381. Berlin: Mapping a (Post) Modern Metropolis. 3 Credits.
Exploration of the rich cultural and turbulent political history of 20th-century Germany by focusing on the literature, film, art, and architecture produced in and about the city of Berlin. All materials and discussions in German.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 303; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: LA, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 382. Representations of Violence and Terrorism in Contemporary German Literature and Film. 3 Credits.
Investigates literary and cinematic response to rise in terrorism in Germany since 1970. Focus on cultural and political significance of the gangster, the freedom fighter, and the terrorist. Readings and discussions in German.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 303.
Gen Ed: LA, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 383. Adaptations of the Past: Literature of the German Democratic Republic. 3 Credits.
Explores the practice in East Germany of adapting earlier literatures and setting contemporary narratives in distant times. East German authors used cultural heritage as a screen for utopian sentiments and for pursuing the relationships between everyday life, historical conditions, and political circumstances. Readings and discussions in German.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 303.
Gen Ed: NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 384. Guilt, Suffering, and Trauma in Post War Germany. 3 Credits.
German texts from 1945 to the present trace the depth of fascist violence and its aftermath in German historical writing and identity. How have Germans positioned themselves toward their history over time? Does one understand oneself as perpetrator, victim, or both? Readings and discussions in German.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 303.
Gen Ed: PH, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 385. Schein/Sein: Turkish German Culture, 1964 to Today. 3 Credits.
Students will learn about Turkish migration to Germany following WWII. Students will read texts written about Turkish guest workers, as well as first-hand accounts from guest workers and literary texts by Turkish artists of the first, second, and third generation. Readings and discussions in German.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 303; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: LA, CI, GL.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 386. Germany Goes East: Contemporary German Literature by Eastern European Immigrants. 3 Credits.
Since 1989, writers born in the former Eastern Bloc have taken German literature by storm. We investigate this contemporary prose, exploring themes like homeland and diaspora, communism and capitalism, German history and the European Union.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 303; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: LA, GL.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 388. Discussion Section in German. 1 Credit.
Students may enroll only in conjunction with a German Department course offered in English that features an accompanying discussion section. All materials and discussions in German. May count toward the major or minor in German.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 204; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit. 4 total credits. 4 total completions.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 389. LAC Recitation. 1 Credit.
A recitation section for selected courses that promote foreign language proficiency across the curriculum (LAC). Readings and discussions in German. May count toward the major and minor in German.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 204; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit; may be repeated in the same term for different topics; 4 total credits. 4 total completions.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 390. Topics in German Studies. 3 Credits.
Examines selected themes in the history, culture, society, art, and/or literature of German-speaking countries. Readings and discussions in German.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 303; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: LA, NA.
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit; may be repeated in the same term for different topics; 12 total credits. 4 total completions.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 396. Independent Readings in German. 3 Credits.
Special readings and research in a selected field or topic under the direction of a faculty member.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 303; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit; may be repeated in the same term for different topics; 12 total credits. 4 total completions.
Grading status: Letter grade.

Advanced Undergraduate and Graduate-level Courses

GERM 400. Advanced German Grammar. 3 Credits.
Review of basic and advanced grammatical structures. Course strengthens application of grammar in context for undergraduate and graduate students. Graduate students also work with grammar issues encountered in the foreign language classroom.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 204; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 450. Nietzsche, Hesse, and Mann. 3 Credits.
Explores Nietzsche on literature, and Hesse’s and Mann’s literary thematization of Nietzsche’s philosophy. Emphasis on conceptions of character, myth, music, and language, and Nietzsche’s cultural and moral critique and its reevaluation in light of the 20th century political crises. Taught in English; some readings in German for qualified students.
Gen Ed: LA, NA.
Grading status: Letter grade.
GERM 479. What is a Medium? German Media Theory from Aesthetics to Cultural Techniques. 3 Credits.
This seminar provides students across the humanities with an overview of the historical and cultural relevance of German media theories. We will discuss the distinction between "art" and "medium", the role of technology and techniques, as well as the interaction of media theory and practice with politics. Films with English subtitles; readings and discussions in English.
Gen Ed: VP, CI.
Grading status: Letter grade
Same as: CMPL 479.

GERM 493. Internship in German. 3 Credits.
This course enables a student to earn a maximum of three credit hours for a faculty-supervised internship directly related to the study of German literature or culture, or that uses the German language in day-to-day conduct of business in a German-speaking environment.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 303.
Gen Ed: EE: Academic Internship, NA.
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 500. History of the German Language. 3 Credits.
Development of phonology and morphology from ancient times to present. Political, social, and literary forces influencing the language.
Requisites: Prerequisites, GERM 302 and 303; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisites.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 501. Structure of German. 3 Credits.
LING 101 recommended for undergraduates. Introduction to formal analysis of German grammar (phonology, morphophonemics, prosodics, morphology, syntax) within the framework of generative grammar.
Requisites: Prerequisites, GERM 302 and 303; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisites.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 502. Middle High German. 3 Credits.
Introduction to medieval German language, literature, and culture. Readings in English, German and Middle High German. Discussions in German.
Requisites: Prerequisite, GERM 303; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 505. Early New High German. 3 Credits.
Permission of the instructor for undergraduates. Reading and linguistic analysis of Early New High German texts, with study of phonology, morphology, and syntax. On demand.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 508. Old High German. 3 Credits.
Permission of the instructor for undergraduates. Reading and linguistic analysis of Old High German texts, with study of phonology, morphology, and syntax; comparison of the various dialects with other older dialects of Germanic. On demand.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 511. Old Saxon. 3 Credits.
Permission of the instructor for undergraduates. Reading and linguistic study of biblical texts (Heliand, Genesis) in Old Saxon, with study of phonology, morphology, and syntax; comparison with Old English, Old High German, and other Germanic dialects. On demand.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 514. Old Norse I (Old Icelandic). 3 Credits.
Permission of the instructor for undergraduates. Reading and linguistic analysis of Old Norse (Old Icelandic) texts, with study of phonology, morphology, and syntax; comparison with other older dialects of Germanic. On demand.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 515. Old Norse II (Old Icelandic). 3 Credits.
Permission of the instructor for undergraduates. Continuation of GERM 514. On demand.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 517. Gothic. 3 Credits.
Permission of the instructor for undergraduates. Reading and linguistic analysis of Gothic biblical texts, with study of phonology, morphology, and syntax; comparison with other older dialects of Germanic. On demand.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 520. Stylistics: Theory and Practice. 3 Credits.
LING 101 recommended for undergraduates. Study of stylistic theories and practices in literature and linguistics, analysis of a large variety of texts, written exercises, training in the use of stylistic devices.
Requisites: Prerequisites, GERM 302 and 303; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisites.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 521. Variation in German. 3 Credits.
LING 101 recommended for undergraduates. Major topics in sociolinguistics: development of the German language, traditional dialects, variation in contemporary speech, German as a minority language (Alsace, Belgium), German outside of Germany (Austria, Switzerland, Luxemburg, Liechtenstein).
Requisites: Prerequisites, GERM 302 and 303; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisites.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 545. Problems in Germanic Linguistics. 3 Credits.
LING 101 recommended for undergraduates. Special problems will be selected for intensive investigation. Subject matter of the course will be adapted to the particular interests of the students and instructor.
Requisites: Prerequisites, GERM 302 and 303; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisites.
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 590. Topics in Germanic Linguistics. 3 Credits.
LING 101 recommended for undergraduates. Special problems will be selected for intensive investigation. Subject matter of the course will be adapted to the particular interests of the students and instructor.
Requisites: Prerequisites, GERM 302 and 303; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisites.
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit. 12 total credits. 4 total completions.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 601. Elementary German for Graduate Students. 3 Credits.
Permission of the instructor for undergraduates. With GERM 602, a two-semester sequence designed as preparation for the reading knowledge examination for higher degrees in the humanities, social sciences, physical sciences, etc.
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 602. Elementary German for Graduate Students, Continued. 3 Credits.
Permission of the instructor for undergraduates. Continuation of GERM 601.
Grading status: Letter grade.
GERM 605. Comparative Germanic Grammar. 3 Credits. 
Permission of the instructor for undergraduates. LING 101 recommended for undergraduates. Analysis of phonological, morphological, and syntactic development from Indo-European to the older stages of Germanic dialects. 
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 615. Cultural Foundations in German Studies, to 1800. 3 Credits. 
Permission of the instructor for undergraduates. First part of a two-semester sequence offering students a comprehensive, text-based survey of German literary history from the High Middle Ages to the present. 
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 616. Cultural Foundations in German Studies: 1800 to Present. 3 Credits. 
Permission of the instructor for undergraduates. Second part of a two-semester sequence offering students a comprehensive, text-based survey of German literary history from the High Middle Ages to the present. 
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 625. Early Modern Literature. 3 Credits. 
Permission of the instructor for undergraduates. German literature of the 15th, 16th, and 17th centuries. Close readings, lectures, and discussions of representative texts. 
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit; may be repeated in the same term for different topics; 12 total credits. 4 total completions. 
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 630. 18th-Century Literature. 3 Credits. 
Permission of the instructor for undergraduates. Literature in the Age of Enlightenment. Close readings, lectures, and discussions of representative texts. 
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit; may be repeated in the same term for different topics; 12 total credits. 4 total completions. 
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 640. Early 19th-Century Literature. 3 Credits. 
Permission of the instructor for undergraduates. Literature of the Romantic period. Close readings, lectures, and discussions of representative texts. 
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit; may be repeated in the same term for different topics; 12 total credits. 4 total completions. 
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 645. Later 19th-Century Literature. 3 Credits. 
Permission of the instructor for undergraduates. Literature of Realism, Naturalism, and related movements. Close readings, lectures, and discussions of representative texts. 
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit; may be repeated in the same term for different topics; 12 total credits. 4 total completions. 
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 650. Early 20th-Century Literature. 3 Credits. 
Permission of the instructor for undergraduates. Major figures of the period from the turn of the century to World War II. Close readings, lectures, and discussions of representative texts. 
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit; may be repeated in the same term for different topics; 12 total credits. 4 total completions. 
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 655. Later 20th-Century Literature. 3 Credits. 
Permission of the instructor for undergraduates. Literature since World War II in both the Federal Republic and the former GDR. Close readings, lectures, and discussions of representative texts. 
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit; may be repeated in the same term for different topics; 12 total credits. 4 total completions. 
Grading status: Letter grade.

GERM 685. Early 21st-Century German Literature. 3 Credits. 
Permission of the instructor for undergraduates. Literature since German unification in 1989. Close readings, lectures, and discussions of representative texts. 
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit; may be repeated in the same term for different topics; 12 total credits. 4 total completions. 
Grading status: Letter grade.

**BCS—Bosnian, Croatian, and Serbian**

**Advanced Undergraduate and Graduate-level Courses**

BCS 401. Elementary Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian Language I. 3 Credits. 
Proficiency-based instruction at the elementary level that develops the four language skills (speaking, listening, reading, writing). In addition to mastering basic vocabulary and grammar, students will communicate in the target language about everyday topics. Previously offered as SECR 401. 
Gen Ed: FL. 
Grading status: Letter grade.

BCS 402. Elementary Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian Language II. 3 Credits. 
Continuation of the proficiency-based instruction in BCS 401. Course emphasizes speaking, listening, reading, writing in a cultural context. Students enhance their basic vocabulary and grammar and will regularly communicate in the target language about everyday topics. Previously offered as SECR 402. 
Requisites: Prerequisite, BCS 401; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite. 
Gen Ed: FL. 
Grading status: Letter grade.

BCS 403. Intermediate Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian Language I. 3 Credits. 
Continuation of the proficiency-based instruction started in Elementary Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian. Previously offered as SECR 403. 
Requisites: Prerequisite, BCS 402; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite. 
Gen Ed: FL. 
Grading status: Letter grade.

BCS 404. Intermediate Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian Language II. 3 Credits. 
Continuation of the proficiency-based instruction started in BCS 403. Previously offered as SECR 404. 
Requisites: Prerequisite, BCS 403; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite. 
Gen Ed: FL. 
Grading status: Letter grade.

BCS 405. Advanced Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian Language I. 3 Credits. 
Advanced readings and discussion in Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian on humanities and social science topics. Previously offered as SECR 405. 
Requisites: Prerequisite, BCS 404; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite. 
Gen Ed: BN. 
Grading status: Letter grade.
BCS 406. Advanced Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian Language II. 3 Credits.
Advanced readings and discussion in Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian on humanities and social science topics. Continuation of BCS 405. Previously offered as SECR 406.
Requisites: Prerequisite, BCS 405; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: BN.
Grading status: Letter grade.

BCS 411. Introduction to South Slavic Literatures and Cultures. 3 Credits.
Introduction to South Slavic literatures and cultures with an emphasis on 19th- through 21st-century prose. Taught in English. Some readings in target language for qualified students. Previously offered as SECR 411.
Gen Ed: LA, BN.
Grading status: Letter grade.

BCS 490. Topics in South Slavic Cultures. 3 Credits.
Study of topics in Bosnian, Croatian, Serbian, and other South Slavic literatures and cultures not currently covered in any other course. The specific topic will be announced in advance. Taught in English. Some readings in target language for qualified students. Previously offered as SECR 490.
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit; may be repeated in the same term for different topics; 12 total credits. 4 total completions.
Grading status: Letter grade.

CZCH–Czech

Undergraduate-level Courses
CZCH 280. Closely Watched Trains: Czech Film and Literature. 3 Credits.
This course examines Czech film and literature against the backdrop of key historical, political, and cultural events of the 20th century. Films with English subtitles. Readings and discussions in English.
Gen Ed: LA, BN.
Grading status: Letter grade.

Advanced Undergraduate and Graduate-level Courses
CZCH 401. Elementary Czech I. 3 Credits.
Proficiency-based instruction at the elementary level that develops the four language skills (speaking, listening, reading, writing). In addition to mastering basic vocabulary and grammar, students will communicate in Czech about everyday topics.
Gen Ed: FL.
Grading status: Letter grade.

CZCH 402. Elementary Czech II. 3 Credits.
Continuation of the proficiency-based instruction in CZCH 401. Course emphasizes speaking, listening, reading, writing in a cultural context. Students enhance their basic vocabulary and grammar and will regularly communicate in Czech about everyday topics.
Requisites: Prerequisite, CZCH 401; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: FL.
Grading status: Letter grade.

CZCH 403. Intermediate Czech I. 3 Credits.
Continuation of proficiency-based instruction begun in Elementary Czech.
Requisites: Prerequisite, CZCH 402; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: FL.
Grading status: Letter grade.

CZCH 404. Intermediate Czech II. 3 Credits.
Continuation of proficiency-based instruction begun in Elementary Czech.
Requisites: Prerequisite, CZCH 403; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: FL.
Grading status: Letter grade.

CZCH 405. Advanced Czech I. 3 Credits.
Advanced readings and discussion in Czech in humanities and social science topics.
Requisites: Prerequisite, CZCH 404; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Grading status: Letter grade.

CZCH 406. Advanced Czech II. 3 Credits.
Advanced readings and discussion in Czech in humanities and social science topics, continued.
Requisites: Prerequisite, CZCH 405; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Grading status: Letter grade.

CZCH 411. Introduction to Czech Literature. 3 Credits.
Introduction to Czech literature with an emphasis on 19th- and 20th-century prose. Taught in English. Some readings in Czech for qualified students.
Gen Ed: LA, BN.
Grading status: Letter grade.

CZCH 469. Milan Kundera and World Literature. 3 Credits.
This course traces Milan Kundera's literary path from his communist poetic youth to his present postmodern Francophilia. His work will be compared with those authors he considers his predecessors and influences in European literature. Taught in English. Some readings in Czech for qualified students.
Gen Ed: LA, BN.
Grading status: Letter grade
Same as: CMPL 469.

CZCH 490. Topics in Czech Culture. 3 Credits.
Study of topics in Czech and/or Slovak literature and culture not currently covered in any other course. The specific topic will be announced in advance. Taught in English. Some readings in Czech for qualified students.
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit; may be repeated in the same term for different topics; 12 total credits. 4 total completions.
Grading status: Letter grade.

HUNG–Hungarian

Advanced Undergraduate and Graduate-level Courses
HUNG 401. Elementary Hungarian. 3 Credits.
Pronunciation, structure of language, and reading in modern Hungarian.
Gen Ed: FL.
Grading status: Letter grade.

HUNG 402. Elementary Hungarian. 3 Credits.
Pronunciation, structure of language, and reading in modern Hungarian, continued.
Gen Ed: FL.
Grading status: Letter grade.

HUNG 403. Intermediate Hungarian Language. 3 Credits.
Continuation of the proficiency-based instruction begun in Elementary Hungarian.
Gen Ed: FL.
Grading status: Letter grade.
MACD–Macedonian

Advanced Undergraduate and Graduate-level Courses

MACD 401. Elementary Macedonian. 3 Credits.
        Pronunciation, structure of language, and reading in modern Macedonian.
        Gen Ed: FL.
        Grading status: Letter grade.

MACD 402. Elementary Macedonian. 3 Credits.
        Pronunciation, structure of language, and reading in modern Macedonian, continued.
        Gen Ed: FL.
        Grading status: Letter grade.

MACD 403. Intermediate Macedonian. 3 Credits.
        Continuation of the proficiency-based instruction begun in Elementary Macedonian.
        Gen Ed: FL.
        Grading status: Letter grade.

MACD 404. Intermediate Macedonian. 3 Credits.
        Continuation of the proficiency-based instruction begun in Elementary Macedonian, continued.
        Gen Ed: FL.
        Grading status: Letter grade.

MACD 405. Advanced Macedonian. 3 Credits.
        Advanced reading and discussion in Macedonian in humanities and social science topics.
        Grading status: Letter grade.

MACD 406. Advanced Macedonian. 3 Credits.
        Advanced reading and discussion in Macedonian in humanities and social science topics, continued.
        Grading status: Letter grade.

PLSH–Polish

Undergraduate-level Courses

PLSH 280. The Modern Cinema of Poland. 3 Credits.
        An overview of Polish cinema from the 1950s into the 21st century.
        Includes films of Kieslowski, Munk, Polanski, Wajda, and others. Films with English subtitles. Readings and discussions in English.
        Gen Ed: VP, BN.
        Grading status: Letter grade.

Advanced Undergraduate and Graduate-level Courses

PLSH 401. Elementary Polish I. 3 Credits.
        Proficiency-based instruction at the elementary level that develops the four language skills (speaking, listening, reading, writing). In addition to mastering basic vocabulary and grammar, students will communicate in Polish about everyday topics.
        Gen Ed: FL.
        Grading status: Letter grade.

PLSH 402. Elementary Polish II. 3 Credits.
        Continuation of the proficiency-based instruction in PLSH 401. Course emphasizes speaking, listening, reading, writing in a cultural context. Students enhance their basic vocabulary and grammar and will regularly communicate in Polish about everyday topics.
        Gen Ed: FL.
        Grading status: Letter grade.

PLSH 403. Intermediate Polish I. 3 Credits.
        Continuation of the proficiency-based instruction begun in elementary Polish.
        Requisites: Prerequisite, PLSH 402; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
        Gen Ed: FL.
        Grading status: Letter grade.

PLSH 404. Intermediate Polish II. 3 Credits.
        Continuation of the proficiency-based instruction begun in elementary Polish, continued.
        Requisites: Prerequisite, PLSH 403; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
        Gen Ed: FL.
        Grading status: Letter grade.

PLSH 405. Advanced Polish I. 3 Credits.
        Advanced readings and discussion in Polish on humanities and social science topics.
        Requisites: Prerequisite, PLSH 404; permission of Instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
        Gen Ed: BN.
        Grading status: Letter grade.
PLSH 406. Advanced Polish II. 3 Credits.
Advanced readings and discussion in Polish on humanities and social science topics, continued.
**Requisites:** Prerequisite, PLSH 405; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
**Gen Ed:** FL.
**Grading status:** Letter grade.

PLSH 411. 19th-Century Polish Literature and Culture. 3 Credits.
An overview of the major literary, cultural and social movements in 19th-century Poland (Romanticism, Positivism and Young Poland) as they relate to Europe more broadly. All readings and discussions in English; readings available in Polish for qualified students.
**Gen Ed:** LA, BN.
**Grading status:** Letter grade.

PLSH 412. From Communism to Capitalism: 20th- and 21st-Century Polish Literature and Culture. 3 Credits.
An overview of the literary and cultural movements in 20th and 21st century Poland as they relate to major historical changes of the century (World War I and World War II, Communism, Post-communism, accession to the European Union). All readings and discussions in English; readings available in Polish for qualified students.
**Gen Ed:** LA, BN.
**Grading status:** Letter grade
**Same as:** JWST 412.

PLSH 490. Topics in Polish Culture. 3 Credits.
Study of topics in Polish literature and culture not currently covered in any other course. The specific topic will be announced in advance. Taught in English. Some readings in Polish for qualified students.
**Repeal rules:** May be repeated for credit; may be repeated in the same term for different topics; 12 total credits. 4 total completions.
**Grading status:** Letter grade.

RUSS—Russian

Undergraduate-level Courses

RUSS 101. Basic Russian Communication I. 4 Credits.
Essential basics of Russian for everyday conversations. Lays foundation for development of four language skills (speaking, writing, listening, and reading) indispensable for communication on everyday topics in a variety of contexts. Fosters interaction through acquisition of essential communicative and conversational strategies. Introduces learners to structure of contemporary standard Russian through culturally relevant materials.
**Gen Ed:** FL.
**Grading status:** Letter grade.

RUSS 102. Basic Russian Communication II. 4 Credits.
Further basics of Russian for everyday conversations. Continues to lay the foundation for development of four language skills (speaking, writing, listening, and reading) indispensable for communication on everyday topics in a variety of situational contexts. Fosters further interaction through acquisition of essential communicative and conversational strategies active in contemporary standard Russian through culturally relevant materials.
**Requisites:** Prerequisite, RUSS 101; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
**Gen Ed:** FL.
**Grading status:** Letter grade.

RUSS 203. Intermediate Russian Communication I. 3 Credits.
Transitional skills for fluent speaking, writing, listening, and reading for intermediate learners. Further learners competency for communication on everyday topics. Prepares learners for communication on subjects beyond their immediate needs. Expands interactive skillset necessary to maintain conversations and present individual opinions using complex structures. Employs adapted and non-adapted learning materials to promote mastery of contemporary standard Russian.
**Requisites:** Prerequisite, RUSS 102; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
**Gen Ed:** FL.
**Grading status:** Letter grade.

RUSS 204. Intermediate Russian Communication II. 3 Credits.
Skills for fluent speaking, writing, listening, and reading for intermediate-to-advanced learners. Develops and deepens learners' mastery of contemporary standard Russian. Stresses communication, individual expression, and fosters cultural sensitivity through systematic expansion of learners' ability to conduct conversations in contemporary standard Russian on a widening variety of culturally relevant subjects.
**Requisites:** Prerequisite, RUSS 203; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
**Gen Ed:** FL.
**Grading status:** Letter grade.

RUSS 270. Crimes and Punishments: Russian Literature of the 19th Century. 3 Credits.
Reading and discussion of great works of 19th century Russian literature (Pushkin, Gogol, Turgeney, Dostoevsky, Tolstoy, and Chekhov). Readings and lectures in English.
**Gen Ed:** LA, BN.
**Grading status:** Letter grade.

RUSS 272. Russian Literature from Chekhov to the Revolution. 3 Credits.
Lectures and readings in English.
**Gen Ed:** VP, BN.
**Grading status:** Letter grade.

RUSS 273. Russian Culture and Society: 1890-1917. 3 Credits.
Examines the extraordinary diversity of turn-of-the-century Russian culture (1890s to 1917); the proliferation of visual and performance arts; the rise of popular culture; new artistic explorations of gender and sexuality. Lectures and readings in English.
**Gen Ed:** VP, BN.
**Grading status:** Letter grade.

RUSS 274. Russian Literature from the Revolution to Today. 3 Credits.
Russian writers and literary problems from the Revolution to the present. Lectures and readings in English.
**Gen Ed:** LA, BN.
**Grading status:** Letter grade.

RUSS 275. Russian Fairy Tale. 3 Credits.
An introduction to the Russian fairy tale with attention to its roots in Russian folklore, its influence on Russian culture, and its connections with American folk and popular culture. Lectures and readings in English.
**Gen Ed:** LA, BN.
**Grading status:** Letter grade.

RUSS 276. Mystery and Suspense in Russian Literature. 3 Credits.
The study of mystery and suspense in Russian literature of the 19th and 20th centuries. Readings and class discussions in English.
**Gen Ed:** LA, BN.
**Grading status:** Letter grade.
RUSS 277. Love, Sex, and Marriage in Soviet Culture. 3 Credits.
A survey of the themes of love, sex, and marriage as they developed in Russian literature and culture from the Bolshevik Revolution to Perestroika. Readings and class discussions in English.
Gen Ed: LA, BN.
Grading status: Letter grade.

RUSS 278. Russian and Soviet Science Fiction. 3 Credits.
This course will focus on key works of Russian and Soviet science fiction. Readings and discussions in English.
Gen Ed: LA, BN.
Grading status: Letter grade.

RUSS 279. Sunstrokes in Dark Alleys: Russian Short Stories. 3 Credits.
An introduction to the Russian short story, focusing on the topic of love in all its intriguing aspects. The readings include works from the 18th century to the 20th. Taught in English. Previously offered as RUSS 460.
Gen Ed: LA, BN.
Grading status: Letter grade.

RUSS 280. Russian Villains, Western Screens: Ethno-Cultural Stereotypes on Page and Stage, in Movies and Minds. 3 Credits.
Gen Ed: VP, BN.
Grading status: Letter grade.

RUSS 282. Russian Literature in World Cinema. 3 Credits.
Survey of masterpieces of Russian literature in the context of their cinematic adaptations. Lectures and readings in English.
Gen Ed: LA, BN.
Grading status: Letter grade
Same as: CMPL 282.

RUSS 296. Selected Readings in Russian. 1-12 Credits.
Permission of the instructor. Directed readings in Russian on topics in literature and linguistics not normally covered in scheduled courses.
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit; may be repeated in the same term for different topics; 12 total credits. 4 total completions.
Grading status: Letter grade.

Advanced Undergraduate and Graduate-level Courses

RUSS 409. Intermediate-to-Advanced Russian Communication, Conversation, and Composition in Context I. 3 Credits.
Intermediate-to-advanced communication, conversation, composition, phonetics, and grammar in contemporary cultural context. Meets the needs of learners looking to expand their practical knowledge of contemporary standard Russian in the context of present-day culture, while developing active applied skills pertaining to comprehension, production of, and communication in Russian.
Requisites: Prerequisite, RUSS 204; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: BN.
Grading status: Letter grade.

RUSS 410. Intermediate-to-Advanced Russian Communication, Conversation, and Composition in Context II. 3 Credits.
Hones skills necessary for advanced conversation, communication, and composition. Presents phonetics and grammar in contemporary cultural context. Learners expand their practical knowledge of contemporary standard Russian in the context of present-day culture, while developing applied skills pertaining to comprehension, production of, and communication in Russian actively using authentic cultural materials.
Requisites: Prerequisite, RUSS 409; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: BN.
Grading status: Letter grade.

RUSS 411. Advanced Communication, Conversation, and Composition in Contemporary Standard Russian I. 3 Credits.
Develops and maintains advanced skills for speaking, writing, listening, and reading in contemporary standard Russian in a variety of communicative situations. Assists advanced learners in solving a wide range of communicative tasks with the aid of unadapted authentic cultural materials.
Requisites: Prerequisite, RUSS 410; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Grading status: Letter grade.

RUSS 412. Advanced Communication, Conversation, and Composition in Contemporary Standard Russian II. 3 Credits.
Prepares advanced learners of contemporary standard Russian for communication with educated native speakers of the language in the area of their professional competence. Furthers interactive skills for speaking, writing, listening, and reading in a variety of communicative situations pertaining to the learners’ professional expertise.
Requisites: Prerequisite, RUSS 411; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Grading status: Letter grade.

RUSS 415. Introduction to Russian Literature. 3 Credits.
Reading and discussion of selected authors in Russian aimed at improving reading skill and preparing the student for higher level work in Russian literature. Readings and class discussions in Russian. Course previously offered as RUSS 250.
Requisites: Prerequisite, RUSS 410; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Gen Ed: LA, BN.
Grading status: Letter grade.

RUSS 445. 19th Century Russian Literature and Culture. 3 Credits.
A survey of the major novels and stories of 19th century Russian fiction, which have entered the canon of world classics and redefined the idea of literature. Taught in English; some readings in Russian for qualified students.
Gen Ed: LA, BN.
Grading status: Letter grade.

RUSS 450. The Russian Absurd: Text, Stage, Screen. 3 Credits.
Examines "The Absurd" in Russian literature and culture as it developed from 19th century to the present. Through works by important Russian writers and representative films students encounter facets of "The Russian Absurd" viewed as literary, cultural, and social phenomena. Taught in English; some readings in Russian for qualified students.
Gen Ed: LA, BN.
Grading status: Letter grade.
RUSS 455. 20th-Century Russian Literature and Culture. 3 Credits.
As Russia became a laboratory for sociopolitical experiments of
global significance, its culture reflected on the most spectacular of its
aspirations and failures. Course surveys 20th-century literary, musical
and cinematic artifacts that emerged to affect the world profoundly.
Taught in English; some readings in Russian for qualified students.
_gen Ed_: LA, BN.
_grading status_: Letter grade.

RUSS 462. Russian Poetry of the 19th Century. 3 Credits.
Readings and lecture on 19th-century Russian poetry. Taught in English;
some readings in Russian for qualified students.
_grading status_: Letter grade.

RUSS 463. Russian Drama: From Classicism to Modernism. 3 Credits.
Survey of Russian drama as a literary and theatrical phenomenon from
the end of the 18th to the beginning of the 20th century. Taught in
English; some readings in Russian for qualified students.
_gen Ed_: LA, BN.
_grading status_: Letter grade.

RUSS 464. Dostoevsky. 3 Credits.
Study of major works of Dostoevsky and a survey of contemporary
authors and literary trends relevant to his creative career. Taught in
English; some readings in Russian for qualified students.
_gen Ed_: LA, BN.
_grading status_: Letter grade.

RUSS 465. Chekhov. 3 Credits.
Study of major works of Chekhov and survey of contemporary authors
and literary trends relevant to his creative career. Taught in English; some
readings in Russian for qualified students.
_gen Ed_: LA, BN.
_grading status_: Letter grade.

RUSS 469. Bulgakov. 3 Credits.
Study of major works of Mikhail Bulgakov, including Master and
Margarita, and a survey of contemporary Russian history and culture
relevant to his creative career. Taught in English; some readings in
Russian for qualified students.
_gen Ed_: LA, BN.
_grading status_: Letter grade.

RUSS 471. Gogol. 3 Credits.
Study of major works of N. V. Gogol and a survey of contemporary authors
and literary trends relevant to his creative career. Lectures and
seminar discussions. Taught in English; some readings in Russian for
qualified students.
_gen Ed_: LA, BN.
_grading status_: Letter grade.

RUSS 475. Literature of Russian Terrorism: Arson, Bombs, Mayhem. 3 Credits.
Literary representations of Russian revolutionaries and terrorists in the
19th and early 20th centuries. Readings by Dostoevsky, Chernyshevsky,
Bely, Joseph Conrad, and by some of the terrorists themselves. Taught in
English; some readings in Russian for qualified students.
_gen Ed_: LA, BN, CI.
_grading status_: Letter grade
_same as_: PWAD 475.

RUSS 477. Wicked Desire: Vladimir Nabokov, Lolita, on Page and Screen. 3 Credits.
Vladimir Nabokov’s novel Lolita (1955) became a global phenomenon
due to its unflinching portrayal of pedophilia. This course will delve
deeper into the novel’s moral complexity, its international context, and
its reflection in mass culture, including movies by Stanley Kubrick (1962)
and Adrian Lyne (1997). Taught in English; some readings in Russian for
qualified students.
_gen Ed_: LA, NA.
_grading status_: Letter grade
_same as_: CMPL 477.

RUSS 479. Tolstoy, 3 Credits.
Study of the major works of Tolstoy and a survey of contemporary authors
and literary trends relevant to his creative career. Taught in English;
some readings in Russian for qualified students.
_gen Ed_: LA, BN.
_grading status_: Letter grade.

RUSS 480. Russian-Soviet Jewish Culture: Lofty Dreams and Stark Realities. 3 Credits.
This course delves into the scintillating literary, visual, musical, and
cinematic culture created by Jewish universalists seeking to build their
new secular identity under the aegis of the Soviet Communist experiment
in the aftermath of the 1917 Bolshevik coup. Surveys the works of Isaac
Babel, Eduard Bagritsky, Marc Chagall, Sergey Eisenstein, Ilya Ehrenburg,
Masha Gessen, Vasily Grossman, Osip Mandelstam, and others. Taught
in English; some readings in Russian for qualified students; films with
English subtitles. Honors version available
_gen Ed_: LA, BN.
_grading status_: Letter grade
_same as_: JWST 480.

RUSS 480H. Russian-Soviet Jewish Culture: Lofty Dreams and Stark Realities. 3 Credits.
This course delves into the scintillating literary, visual, musical, and
cinematic culture created by Jewish universalists seeking to build their
new secular identity under the aegis of the Soviet Communist experiment
in the aftermath of the 1917 Bolshevik coup. Surveys the works of Isaac
Babel, Eduard Bagritsky, Marc Chagall, Sergey Eisenstein, Ilya Ehrenburg,
Masha Gessen, Vasily Grossman, Osip Mandelstam, and others. Taught
in English; some readings in Russian for qualified students; films with
English subtitles.
_gen Ed_: LA, BN.
_grading status_: Letter grade
_same as_: JWST 480H.

RUSS 486. Exploration of Russian "Women's Prose" and Svetlana Alexievich (Nobel Prize in Literature 2015). 3 Credits.
Using Alexievich as our beacon, we will explore the writers behind the
term "Russian Women’s Prose": Valeria Narbikova, Lyudmila Petrushevskaya, Tatiana Tolstaya, and Lyudmila Ulitskaya. The course
will delve into gender identity and body politics as they manifest
themselves in the literary texts of lasting aesthetic quality and social
relevance. Taught in English; some readings in Russian for qualified
students.
_gen Ed_: LA, BN.
_grading status_: Letter grade
_same as_: WGST 486, EURO 486.
SLAV 101. Introduction to Slavic Civilizations: Peasants, Popes, and Party Hacks. 3 Credits.
Introduction to the essentials of Slavic cultures, including religion, literature, history, art, cinema, folklore, geography, and music. Course materials include films, slides, and recordings. Lectures and readings in English.
Gen Ed: BN, WB.
Grading status: Letter grade.

SLAV 248. Childhood and Adolescence in Slavic Literature. 3 Credits.
Childhood and adolescence as portrayed in both fictional and autobiographical form by 19th- and 20th-century Russian, Polish, Czech, and other East European writers, including Tolstoy, Dostoevsky, Nabokov, I. B. Singer, Schulz, Milosz. Lectures and readings in English. Honors version available.
Gen Ed: LA, BN, CI.
Grading status: Letter grade.

SLAV 248H. Childhood and Adolescence in Slavic Literature. 3 Credits.
Childhood and adolescence as portrayed in both fictional and autobiographical form by 19th- and 20th-century Russian, Polish, Czech, and other East European writers, including Tolstoy, Dostoevsky, Nabokov, I. B. Singer, Schulz, Milosz. Lectures and readings in English.
Gen Ed: LA, BN, CI.
Grading status: Letter grade.

Advanced Undergraduate and Graduate-level Courses
SLAV 464. Imagined Jews: Jewish Themes in Polish and Russian Literature. 3 Credits.
Explores the fictional representation of Jewish life in Russia and Poland by Russian, Polish, and Jewish authors from the 19th century to the present. Taught in English; some foreign language readings for qualified students.
Gen Ed: LA, BN.
Grading status: Letter grade
Same as: JWST 464.
SLAV 469. Coming to America: The Slavic Immigrant Experience in Literature. 3 Credits.
Fictional and autobiographical expressions of the Slavic and East European immigrant experience in the 20th century. Readings include Russian, Polish, Jewish, and Czech authors from early 1900s to present. Taught in English; some foreign language readings for qualified students.
Gen Ed: LA, GL.
Grading status: Letter grade
Same as: JWST 469.

SLAV 470. 20th-Century Russian and Polish Theater. 3 Credits.
A comparative survey of the major trends in 20th-century Russian and Polish dramaturgy and theatrical production, with attention to aesthetic, professional, and political connections between the two. Taught in English; some foreign language readings for qualified students.
Gen Ed: LA, BN.
Grading status: Letter grade.

SLAV 490. Topics in Slavic Culture. 3 Credits.
Comparative study of topics in non-Russian Slavic literatures and culture not covered in any other course. Specific topics will vary and will be announced in advance. Taught in English; some foreign language readings for qualified students.
Repeat rules: May be repeated for credit; may be repeated in the same term for different topics; 12 total credits. 4 total completions.
Grading status: Letter grade.

SLAV 580. East European Literary Criticism. 3 Credits.
Survey of 20th-century Slavic literary criticism. Russian formalists, Bakhtin and his circle, Czech structuralists, Soviet semiotics. Emphasis on influence of Slavic criticism on development of Western literary criticism.
Grading status: Letter grade.