Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies

Courses offered by the Center for Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies are listed under the subject code REES on the Stanford Bulletin’s Course Search (http://exploredegrees.stanford.edu/CourseSearch/search?view=catalog&catalog=&page=0&q=REES&filter-catalognumber-REES=on) and the ExploreCourses web site (http://explorecourses.stanford.edu/CourseSearch/search?view=catalog&catalog=&page=0&q=REES&filter-catalognumber-REES=on). Information on the center’s degree programs and other activities is available at the CREEES web site (http://CREEES.stanford.edu) and the Slavianskii Dom (SlavDom), at 650 Mayfield Avenue, is an undergraduate Theme House.

Undergraduate Programs in Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies

Students interested in a minor should consult the Director of Undergraduate Studies in the Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures which offers the following relevant minors:

- Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies
- Russian Language
- Russian Language, Literature and Culture
- Russian Culture

Slavic Theme House

Slavianskii Dom (SlavDom), at 650 Mayfield Avenue, is an undergraduate residence which houses 50 students and offers a wide variety of opportunities to expand knowledge, understanding and appreciation of Russia and the nations of East Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia.

Overseas Studies Programs

Undergraduates interested in the study of languages, history, culture and social organization of the countries of Russia, Eurasia and East Europe may apply to study at the Stanford centers in Moscow and Berlin. Information about these programs is available at the Bing Overseas Studies Program (http://bosp.stanford.edu) and the REES 200 core seminar series. The program may be taken separately or coterminally with a bachelor’s degree program.

Graduate Programs in Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies

The center offers an M.A. in Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies, a coterminal M.A. in Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies, and a joint M.A./J.D. in conjunction with the Stanford Law School.

Learning Outcomes (Graduate)

The purpose of the master’s program and the joint M.A./J.D. program is to further develop knowledge and skills in Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies and to prepare students for a professional career or doctoral studies. This is achieved through completion of courses, in the primary field as well as related areas, and experience with independent work and specialization.

Financial Aid

Subject to funding, CREEES may have a limited number of Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) fellowships for U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Additional financial aid may also be available from CREEES. Applicants to the M.A. program have priority in the annual FLAS competition; in recent years CREEES has also awarded FLAS fellowships to students enrolled in the School of Education and the School of Law. Consult the CREEES director for further information about the application and award process. Applications for FLAS fellowships can be obtained at the CREEES web site (http://CREEES.stanford.edu/grants). Financial Aid may be available from the School of Education and the School of Law.

Doctoral Programs

Since the University does not offer a Ph.D. in Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies, students wishing to pursue a REEES-related doctoral program must apply to one of the departments offering a Ph.D. with an emphasis on Russia, Eurasia, or Eastern Europe, such as the departments of History, Anthropology, Political Science, or Slavic Languages and Literatures.

Undergraduate Minor in Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies

Students interested in a minor should consult the "Minors in Slavic Languages and Literatures" section of this bulletin which describes the following relevant minors:

- Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies
- Russian Language
- Russian Language, Literature, and Culture
- Russian Culture

Master of Arts in Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies

CREEES offers a one-year interdisciplinary master’s degree program in Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies for students with a strong prior language and area studies background.

The program structure allows students the flexibility to pursue their particular academic interests, while providing intellectual cohesion through a required core curriculum that addresses historical and contemporary processes of change in the Russian Federation, Eastern Europe, the Caucasus, and Central Asia.

The core curriculum consists of three courses (one each quarter) and the REES 200 core seminar series. The program may be taken separately or coterminally with a bachelor’s degree program.

The interdisciplinary M.A. program typically serves four types of students:

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1. Those who intend to apply to a Ph.D. program involving Russian, East European and Eurasian studies and who need to enhance their academic skills and credentials
2. Those who intend to pursue careers and/or advanced degrees in such fields as journalism, education, business, government, law, or medicine, and who wish to establish competence in Russian, East European and Eurasian studies.
3. Those who are mid-career professionals and/or students interested in gaining competence or continuing their interest in and wish to gain competence in Russian, East European and Eurasian studies.

Advising

The advising structure is two-tiered: each M.A. candidate works with the CREEES associate director who advises on the program of course work and monitors the student’s progress toward completing the degree. Candidates are also assigned a faculty adviser from the Academic Council faculty, who provides intellectual and academic guidance.

Admission

Applicants apply electronically; see the Office of Graduate Admissions (http://gradadmissions.stanford.edu) web site for a link to the electronic application and general information regarding graduate admission. In addition, prospective applicants may consult with the CREEES associate director regarding the application process.

To qualify for admission to the program, the following apply:

1. Applicants must have earned a B.A. or B.S. degree, or the equivalent.
2. At least three years of college-level language study in Russian, an East European or Central Asian language is preferred. Candidates with fewer years of area language study will be considered.
3. A one-page statement of purpose that explains how the program would advance the applicant’s academic or career goals.
4. Applicants must include the following additional materials in their online application: a writing sample of 20 pages or less in English on an academic topic in Russian, East European, or Eurasian studies and a resume of college-level courses taken that are relevant to Russian, East European & Eurasian Studies, including language courses, with self-reported final grades. These additional materials may be uploaded as “Additional Materials” in a single file along with the application.
5. Applicants must send official transcripts from all post-secondary institutions attended to Graduate Admissions, Office of the University Registrar.
6. All applicants must take the General Test of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) and have the results sent to Graduate Admissions, Office of the University Registrar.
7. Applicants whose native language is not English and do not possess a U.S. bachelor’s degree are expected to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) and have the results sent to Graduate Admissions, Office of the University Registrar.

The deadline for submission of applications for admission and for financial aid is January 14, 2014. Admission is normally granted for Autumn Quarter, but requests for exceptions are considered.

The successful applicant generally demonstrates the following strengths: requisite foreign language study, significant course work in Russian, East European and Eurasian studies in multiple disciplines, outstanding grades in previous academic work, strong analytical writing skills, high GRE scores (particularly verbal and analytical writing), study or work experience in the region, strong letters of recommendation from faculty members in the Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies field (one letter may be from a language instructor), and a persuasive statement of purpose explaining how the program would advance the applicant’s academic and career goals.

Degree Requirements

Candidates for the M.A. degree must meet University requirements for an M.A. degree as described in the “Graduate Degrees” (http://exploredegrees.stanford.edu_ARCHIVE/2013-14/graduatedegrees) section of this bulletin.

The M.A. program in REEES can ordinarily be completed in one academic year by a well-prepared student; longer periods of study are permitted. Requirements to complete the interdisciplinary M.A. degree are principally ones of distribution, with the exception of three required core courses and a core seminar, as described below. Each student, with the advice of the CREEES associate director, selects courses according to the student’s interests, needs, and goals.

All students in the M.A. REEES program must complete a minimum of 48 academic credit units within the following guidelines.

1. Core courses: Students must complete the following core courses during the 2013-14 academic year: REES 301A / FILMSTUD 345B History and Politics in Russian and East European Cinema during Autumn Quarter (5 units), HISTORY 321A Theories of State and Society: Russian Historiography 19th-20th Century during Winter Quarter (5 units), and either REES 312 Socio-Economic Issues in Contemporary Russia and Eastern or ANTHRO 339A Technologies of Extinctions: Ecocides and Genocides during Spring Quarter (5 units each).

2. Core seminar series: REES 200 Current Issues in Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies is required of all students in the M.A. program. Students are required to attend each quarter’s lecture, but cannot enroll in more than 3 total units for credit. The assumption is that M.A. students will enroll in REES 200 in the Autumn for 2 units, and in Winter OR Spring for 1 unit; however, they must still attend in the quarter(s) for which they are not enrolled. The goal of this seminar series is to survey current methodological and substantive issues in Russian, East European and Eurasian studies, acquaint students with Stanford resources and faculty, and present professional development and career options.

3. Interdisciplinary course work: All courses (other than language courses and approved activity courses) must be taken on the graduate level (200-level or higher). Courses in Russian, East European and Eurasian studies must be completed and distributed among at least three disciplines. All course work applied to the 48-unit minimum must deal primarily with Russian, Eurasian, or East European studies.

4. Language study: Students in the program are encouraged to study Russian, an East European or Central Asian language, or a language from the Caucasus. Credit towards the 48-unit minimum (maximum 4 units per quarter, 12 units total) is allowed for advanced language work.

5. Course work qualifying for the 48-unit minimum must have a letter grade of ‘B’ or higher. (’B-‘ does not count for degree credit, nor does ‘CR’). Students may apply a maximum of three units of course work with a final grade of ‘S’ to the 48-unit minimum from among the following courses only: REES 35 Films of Central Asia and/or REES 200 Current Issues in Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies.

6. All courses counting towards the 48-unit minimum must be approved by the CREEES associate director, who ensures that planned course work satisfies requirements towards the degree. The CREEES director and steering committee determine the requirements. Consult the CREEES web site or the associate director for the complete and updated list of courses which may be taken toward the degree.

7. Capstone requirement: students must complete a capstone activity (research paper and/or research presentation) in consultation with the director, associate director, and/or affiliated faculty member.
Pre-approved courses for 2013-14

The following courses are those that have been pre-approved to satisfy the M.A. interdisciplinary course work requirement for 2013-14. Students may choose from:

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Other courses may be counted towards the M.A. by special arrangement with the instructor and the CREEES associate director.

A description of the M.A. program is also available on the web at the CREEES (http://CREEES.stanford.edu/academic/graduate-masters.html) web site and by request from the Center for Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies.

Coterminal Master’s Program in Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies

University requirements for the coterminal M.A. are described in the Coterminal Bachelor’s and Master’s Degrees (http://exploredegrees.stanford.edu/archive/2013-14/cotermdegrees) section of this bulletin. For University coterminal degree program rules and University application forms, see the Publications and Online Guides (http://studentaffairs.stanford.edu/registrar/publications/#coterm) web site.

To qualify for a coterminal M.A. degree in Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies, besides completing University requirements for the B.A. degree, a student must:

1. Submit a coterminal application for admission to the program no later than the quarter prior to the expected completion of the undergraduate degree, normally Winter Quarter prior to Spring Quarter graduation. Students with advanced placement and transfer credit must apply at least four quarters before the expected master’s degree conferral date. The deadline for all coterminal applications to the M.A. program in Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies is January 14, 2014.

2. Include in the application a proposal which outlines, by quarter, the schedule of courses the student plans to complete toward the M.A. degree. The student should seek the advice of the CREEES associate director in drafting this schedule. The application also should include:
   a. a current Stanford transcript
   b. a one-page statement of purpose
   c. three letters of recommendation from Stanford faculty (one may be from a language instructor)
   d. a writing sample of 20 pages or less in English on an academic topic in Russian, East European, or Eurasian Studies

3. Applicants must have a grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.0 (B). Coterminal applicants must take the general test of the Graduate Record Examination and have the results sent to Graduate Admissions, Office of the University Registrar.

4. Complete 15 full-time quarters or the equivalent, or three quarters in full-time residence after completing 180 units; and complete, in addition to the 180 units required for the bachelor’s degree, a minimum of 48 units for the master’s degree.

The same courses may not be counted to meet both undergraduate and graduate requirements, and no courses taken before the junior year may be used to meet the course requirements for the master’s degree.

Joint Degree Program in Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies

The joint degree program in Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies and Law allows students to pursue the M.A. degree in REES concurrently with the Doctor of Jurisprudence (J.D.) degree, with a significant number of courses that may apply to both degrees. It is designed to train students interested in a career in teaching, research, or the practice of law related to REES legal affairs. Students must apply separately to the REES M.A. program and to the Stanford School of Law and be accepted by both. Completing this combined course of study requires approximately four academic years, depending on the student’s background and level of language training. For more information, see the Joint Degree Programs (http://exploredegrees.stanford.edu/archive/2013-14/graduatedegrees/#jointdegreestext) section of this bulletin and the Stanford Law School (http://www.law.stanford.edu)’s website. Students who have been accepted by both programs should consult with the departments to determine which courses can be double-counted.

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