Central European Studies

This major combines background in relevant languages, usually Russian, German or Polish, with course work in international relations and the history, culture and politics of the region. Those who master its history and politics, its economic, cultural and linguistic diversity, will be well positioned for fellowships, graduate work, and business or analytical careers centered on this fascinating region.

**BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA) REQUIREMENTS OVERVIEW**

**Complete three Russian language courses and select one of the following tracks:**
- Russian — Intermediate Russian II and Advanced Russian in Popular Culture or Intercultural Communication in Russian
- German — German I and German II
- Polish — Elementary Polish I and Elementary Polish

**Two Upper Division Courses**
Choose two from the following three courses:
- Russian and Post-Soviet Foreign Policy
- Communism and Post-Communism: Eastern Europe and the Balkans
- European Foreign Policy and Security Issues

**Three Elective Courses**
A few examples are:
- Islam in Russia and the Soviet Union
- The German Question: Nation and Identity in Modern Central Europe
- Political Economy of Russian and Eurasia
- Literature and Film in Eastern European Historical Experiences

**EXPERIENTIAL OPPORTUNITIES**

- **Study Abroad:** Enrich your studies by studying abroad in Germany or Russia in the fall or spring. Attend the USC International Summer Session in Moscow, or go on the popular alternative spring break trip: The Trans-Siberian Experience.

- **Ferris Collection of Sovietica:** Donated to USC in 2006, this collection consists of 8,000 items, including paintings, sculptures, designs, photographs, publications, banners, toys, and other items of material culture.

- **The Russian Modernism Project:** The Russian Modernism Online group is developing prototype software and teaching materials that can be used at USC and by other universities to offer courses electronically and to form online scholarly consortia. Done in conjunction with Slavic scholars at USC, the University of California, Berkeley, and the University of Chicago, this Labyrinth Project initiative creates an active, engaging educational experience for students.

For additional information, including all major requirements, please consult the USC Catalogue or https://dornsife.usc.edu/sll/undergraduate-degrees/