

Modern and Classical Languages – Russian

Major in Literary Studies

See Literary Studies

Russian(RUSS)

The objectives of the Russian program are to provide students the opportunity:

1. To learn the basics of Russian language for reading and for communicating in everyday situations
2. To acquire an elementary knowledge of the culture of the people using this study of the language – at home or abroad – for purposes of business, government work, teaching, literacy or linguistic studies

Four courses are currently offered (which fulfill the language requirement for the Russian, Central and East European area studies major). Classes meet three periods a week, with a flexible fourth period devoted specifically to oral proficiency taught usually by a native Russian speaker. Students with previous high school study of Russian will be tested for appropriate placement. Students wishing to major or minor in Russian may do so by special arrangement with Macalester College and approval of the St. Thomas ACTC Russian, Central and East European area studies representative.

Major in Russian

Completion of 212 or equivalent

Plus:

Twenty-eight additional credits in Russian, and a study abroad program in Russia jointly approved by Macalester College and the University of St. Thomas

Minor in Russian

Completion of 212 or equivalent

Plus:

Two advanced Russian language or literature courses

111 Elementary Russian I

Introduction to the Russian sound system and grammar encompassing reading, writing, speaking and listening skills. Some exposure to Russian culture. Offered in fall semester.

112 Elementary Russian II

Continuation of 111 with further development of same skills. Offered in spring semester.

Prerequisite: 111 or permission of instructor

211 Intermediate Russian I

Continuation of 112 with further development of same skills. Offered in fall semester.

Prerequisite: 112 or permission of instructor

212 Intermediate Russian II

Continuation of 211 course with added emphasis on vocabulary building, translating and discussing short texts. Offered spring semester.

Prerequisite: 211 or permission of instructor

Spanish (SPAN)

The basic aim of the department is to give students a command of Spanish and a knowledge of Hispanic culture in order to fulfill professional and personal endeavors. This aim is pursued with a view to the needs of students who desire to do graduate work, enter international business, teach, travel or read great literature in the original.

Major in Spanish

In consultation with their major field adviser, students must complete twenty-eight credits in courses numbered 300 and above with a minimum of six credits in each of the following areas:

- Oral and Written Spanish
- Culture/Civilization
- Literature

Students in teacher licensure programs should include a course in linguistics.

Students who major in Spanish must take a minimum of sixteen credits in Spanish at the 300-level or above at the University of St. Thomas.

Minor in Spanish

In consultation with their major field adviser, students must complete sixteen credits in upper-division courses (300 or above) including:

- Oral and Written Spanish
- Culture/Civilization
- Literature