

College of Arts and Sciences – Interdisciplinary Programs

Application for admission is made through the office of the Renaissance Program, currently in the Department of Philosophy. Such application should normally take place during the second semester of the sophomore year, but may occur later.

Renaissance Program Professional Minor

One of:

ECON 251 Principles of Macroeconomics

ECON 252 Principles of Microeconomics

Note: Other courses from the Department of Economics may be acceptable if the necessary prerequisites have been met, and on the approval of the director of the Renaissance Program.

Plus one of:

QMCS 110 Introduction to Information Processing

QMCS 120 Computers in Elementary Education and LOGO

QMCS 220 Statistics I

QMCS 230 Software Design Using the JAVA Language

QMCS 238 Software Design Using Business Languages

Note: Other courses from the Department of QMCS may be acceptable if the necessary prerequisites have been met, and on the approval of the director of the Renaissance Program.

Plus a total of 12 credits in:

ACCT 205 Introduction to Accounting

BLAW 301 Legal Environment of Business

BUS 201 Ethics and Practice: Foundations of Business

FINC 300 Finance for Non-Business Majors

MGMT 300 Management for Non-Majors

MKTG 300 Principles of Marketing

Note: Other courses from the Division of Business may be acceptable if the necessary prerequisites have been met, and on the approval of the director of the Renaissance Program.

Plus:

IDSC 330 Renaissance Program Internship (0 credit)

IDSC 333 Renaissance Program Studies

Note: Another course that integrates theoretical and practical themes may be acceptable provided the necessary prerequisites have been met, and on the approval of the director of the Renaissance Program.

Russian, Central and East European Studies

Shambour (RUSS), adviser

The ACTC program in Russian, Central and East European Studies seeks to give the broadest possible exposure to the history, politics, literature and philosophy of central and eastern Europe and Russia. This interdisciplinary major offers the student an opportunity to become well-acquainted at the undergraduate level with the rich literary and cultural achievements of the area. The student also acquires fluency and experience with the Russian language, or (through the ACTC language contract with the University of Minnesota) with one of the eastern European languages.

While the collapse of the Soviet Union and its eastern European sphere of influence has eliminated the perceived threat of a world communist movement, the human talent, residual military power and resources of the area guarantee that it will continue to play an important role in global affairs.

Drawing upon the faculty and resources of the five ACTC institutions, courses are offered at Augsburg College, Hamline University, Macalester College, The College of St. Catherine and the University of St. Thomas.

In choosing any major, future career options are an important consideration. This is a sound liberal arts major that offers considerable flexibility and career opportunities, especially when combined with another major or minor in business, economics, history, language and literature, or political science. As this area of the world undergoes transition from Russian socialist dominance to democratic market-oriented societies, the major will offer fascinating career opportunities in government, international business and journalism, as well as in teaching and research. Students who plan to do graduate work in a related discipline, such as history, economics or political science will find the major a strong background for such study. Students are urged to seek career counseling from their adviser in the major.

Major in Russian, Central and East European Studies

Forty-four credits, including language and area studies courses:

Language:

Two years of basic college Russian, Polish, Serbo-Croatian, Czech, Hungarian or equivalent competencies

Area studies:

Concentration in Humanities

Sixteen credits from the list of approved courses in Track #1, plus four credits from Track #2, as approved by adviser

Russian, Central and East European Studies

Concentration in Social Sciences

Sixteen credits from the list of approved courses in Track #2, plus four credits from Track #1, as approved by adviser

Plus:

Eight additional credits in courses selected from either Track #1 or Track #2

Note: Students are strongly recommended to take a third year of Russian or any other east European language. A program of study abroad in Russia or one of the central or east European countries, during a semester, a January term, or during the summer, is strongly encouraged. All options should be discussed with the student's adviser.

Courses available for this program

Letter following the course number indicates the institution offering the course:

- A Augsburg College
- C The College of St. Catherine
- H Hamline University
- M Macalester College
- T University of St. Thomas

Language courses

- RUSS 111T Elementary Russian I
- RUSS 112T Elementary Russian II
- RUSS 211T Intermediate Russian I
- RUSS 212T Intermediate Russian II
- RUSS 31M Advanced Russian I
- RUSS 32M Advanced Russian II
- RUSS 33M Advanced Russian Conversation

Note: Overlapping courses are shown in parentheses

Track #1: Humanities concentration

- HIST 348A Russia and Soviet Union in 20th Century (HIST 3730H, HIST 333T)
- HIST 3370H Modern Russia from the Empire to Revolution (HIST 60M)
- HIST 3710H The Rise and Fall of the Soviet Union
- HIST 3730H Heart of Europe: Central and Eastern Europe in 20th Century (HIST 348A, HIST 333T)
- HIST 55M History and Philosophy of Socialism
- HIST 60M State and Society in Tsarist Russia (HIST 3370H)
- HIST 62M History of the Soviet Union and Its Successors
- HIST 313T Europe 1750 to 1945
- HIST 331T Eastern Europe, 1699-1914
- HIST 333T Eastern Europe, 1914 to Present (HIST 348A, HIST 3730H)
- HIST 464T Seminar in European History

Russian literature

- RUSS 51M 19th Century Literature in Translation
- RUSS 52M 20th Century Literature and Culture in Translation
- RUSS 63M Orientalism and Empire: Russia's Literary South
- RUSS 67M Dostoevsky and Gogol

Advanced language

- RUSS 41AM Russia in Russian—Speaking/Listening
- RUSS 41BM Russia in Russian—Reading/Writing
- RUSS 88M Senior Seminar (taught in Russian - Humanities track only)

Culture

- RCEE 88M Senior Seminar
- RUSS 50-01M Topics (subject matter will vary)
- RUSS 55M Russian Culture
- RUSS 56M Soviet Mass Culture
- RUSS 64M Culture and Revolution

Human Rights

- IS 50M Topics: Human Rights

Theology

- REL 420A The Russian Orthodox Church
- REL 66M The Russian Religious Experience

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Track #2: Social sciences concentration

ECO	317A	Comparative Economic Systems (ECON 25M, ECON 349T)
ECO	495A	Topics
ECON	25M	Comparative Economic Systems (ECO 317A, ECON 349T)
ECON	35M	Economics of the Transition
ECON	346T	Topics: Country and Area Studies in Economics
ECON	349T	Comparative Economic Systems (ECO 317A, ECON 25M)
POL	351A	Topics in Communist/Post-Communist Systems
POL	363A	Russian and Chinese Foreign Policy
POSC	220C	Introduction to Comparative Government
POSC	225C	Introduction to World Politics
POL	3620H	Government and Politics of Eastern and Central Europe
POL	350T	Comparative Politics of the New Europe
POL	424T	Seminar in International Politics
POL	454T	Seminar in Comparative Politics

Business/Management

BUS	364A	East-West Trade
BADM	350C	International Marketing and Management

Social Sciences

Langan (ECON), Wright (HIST), Farlow (POL), Karraker (SOC), advisers

The major in the social sciences is intended for the liberal arts student who wishes to become familiar with the perspective of the four disciplines traditionally defined as the social sciences – economics, history, political science, and sociology – and who wishes at the same time to study more intensively one of those disciplines. In requiring both introductory and advanced courses in each of the disciplines, irrespective of the area of concentration, the major provides both opportunity and challenge for the student seriously interested in understanding the order, structure and interrelationships involved in human behavior.

Major in Social Sciences

Either:

HIST 111 Origins of the Modern World to 1550 and 112 The Modern World Since 1550

or

HIST 113 Early America in Global Perspective and 114 The Modern U.S. in Global Perspective

Plus:

ECON	251	Principles of Macroeconomics
ECON	252	Principles of Microeconomics
ECON		One additional course in economics numbered above 300
HIST		One additional history course numbered above 300
POL	105	Politics and Government in Comparative Perspective
POL		Two additional political science courses
SOC	100	Introduction to Sociology
SOC	210	Research Methods in Sociology
SOC		One additional sociology course numbered above 300

Plus:

Twelve additional credits in courses numbered above 300 from one of the following departments: Economics, History, Political Science, or Sociology. The choice of these courses is subject to the approval of the department involved.

Plus one of:

MATH	101	Finite Mathematics
MATH	111	Calculus for Business and Social Science
MATH	113	Calculus I
QMCS	220	Statistics I

Urban Studies

Hoffman (POL), director

Urban Studies is an interdisciplinary field of inquiry which treats the city as responsible for the creation of unique patterns of social and physical organizations. The minor provides students with an opportunity to study the “urban way of life” using the insights generated by the traditional social science disciplines. By exposing themselves to such variety, students obtain a more comprehensive and integrated view of the city than is possible within a single discipline. The minor is recommended for those students interested in entering careers or fields of academic study relating to urban issues and problems. These include fields such as public administration, urban