

## Renaissance Program

*Note:* The three courses listed below (REL 475, REL 1460, and THEO 332) are considered to be equivalent in content. Students may receive credit for only one.

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| REL  | 475A  | Judaism                                  |
| REL  | 1460H | Introduction to Judaism                  |
| THEO | 332T  | Judaism                                  |
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| REL  | 3110H | Jewish Ethics                            |
| REL  | 34M   | Introduction to Jewish Life and Thought  |
| REL  | 42M   | Women in Judaism                         |
| REL  | 50M   | Topics: The Evolution of the Jewish Mind |
| THEO | 333T  | Contemporary Judaism                     |
| THEO | 370C  | Jewish Studies                           |

### Internships and Study Abroad

Internships and opportunities for study abroad are available and are accepted for credit toward the minor. No more than one course may be an independent study or internship. Study abroad, internships and independent study are subject to the approval of the student's campus advisor for the minor.

## Renaissance Program

MacKenzie (ENGL), director

The Renaissance Program is an interdisciplinary minor which provides students the opportunity to combine the distinct learning experiences of a concentration in a liberal or non-business related field with exposure to career-related studies and significant work experience. It is designed for students majoring in the liberal arts who want preparation for their career search.

Students who minor in the Renaissance Program elect a major field of study from any of the liberal arts disciplines – that is, from the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences and the like. Students who major in any of the Business fields or in Health and Human Performance are not eligible for the program.

The program's requirements consist of coursework and an internship. Students choose a set of six courses (detailed below) from a broad range of pre-professional and professional areas. Students also complete an internship in a career-related field. A variety of options and opportunities are available through the Career Center; students are encouraged to be creative and to search for inventive ways of implementing a plan of practical work experience.

As part of its commitment to Renaissance Program students, the University of St. Thomas extends to graduates of the program the opportunity to take undergraduate business courses tuition-free, on a space-available basis. There is no limit on the number of such courses the student may take. Students may take these courses either for credit or as audits, but may not use the courses toward a major or minor in business.

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

### Renaissance Program Professional Minor

*One of:*

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| 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:*

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| 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 twelve credits in:*

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| 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 College of Business may be acceptable if the necessary prerequisites have been met, and on the approval of the director of the Renaissance Program.

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*Plus:*

IDSC 330 Renaissance Program Internship (0 credit)

IDSC 333 Renaissance Program Studies

*Note:* Another course that integrates themes involving the relation between the liberal arts and the world of work 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

###### *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 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