

# Minor in Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies

## Why study Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies?

The University of Kansas Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies (REES) program covers a broad geographical region, which is home to rich and diverse cultures that have had an enormous impact on today's political, economic, cultural, and environmental issues. The interdisciplinary study of Russia, Eastern Europe, and Eurasia creates culturally informed citizens who can act on national and international issues.

The REES minor is highly flexible. It complements traditional disciplinary study in another field with REES coursework and general area knowledge.

## Requirements for the Minor

### Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies Minor Course Requirements

Students selecting this minor must complete the following:

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Introductory Course</b>		<b>3</b>
Satisfied by one of the following:		
REES 110	Understanding Russia and Eastern Europe	
or REES 111	Understanding Russia and Eastern Europe, Honors	
or REES 310	Understanding Russia and Eastern Europe	
or REES 311	Understanding Russia and Eastern Europe, Honors	
REES 220	Societies and Cultures of Eurasia	
or REES 221	Societies and Cultures of Eurasia, Honors	
SLAV 140	Understanding Russia	
or SLAV 141	Understanding Russia, Honors	
HIST 117	Russia, An Introduction	
<b>REES Area Studies Electives</b>		<b>15</b>
15 hours of interdisciplinary area studies courses focusing on Russia, Eastern Europe, and Eurasia. Most courses offered by the Department of Slavic, German, and Eurasian Studies count as electives. Other potential courses are listed below. Please note that is only a partial list. CREES posts a list of eligible courses on its website prior to enrollment each semester, and other courses may be approved in consultation with CREES.		
ARCH 600	Special Topics in Architecture: _____ (Socialist Cities)	
ECON 505	History of Economic Analysis	
GEOG 399	Topics in Regional Studies: _____ (Geography of the Former Soviet Union)	
GEOG 781	Environmental Geopolitics	
GIST 335	Iran Through Literature and Film	
HIST 139	The Global Cold War	
HIST 333	Eurometro: Visions of the European Metropolis, 1849-1939	

HIST 334	The Great War: The History of World War I
HIST 340	The History of the Second World War
HIST 343	The Holocaust in History
HIST 377	Everyday Communism in Eastern Europe
HIST 378	Beyond the Iron Curtain: Soviet Perspectives on the Cold War
HIST 481	From Harem to the Streets: Gender in the Middle East, 1900-Present
HIST 568	Rise and Fall of the Soviet Union
JWSH 335	History of Jewish Women
JWSH 338	Languages of the Jews
JWSH 361	Jewish Film
MUSC 488	History of Opera
MUSC 650	Selected Topics in Music: _____ (Music in Vienna and Prague)
POLS 125	Intelligence: Supporting National Security
POLS 301	Introduction to Political Theory
POLS 354	Politics of Russia and Post-Soviet States
POLS 363	Populism and Nationalism
POLS 375	Russian Foreign Policy
POLS 409	Topics in Political Theory: _____
POLS 463	Comparative Political Economy
REL 107	Jews, Christians, Muslims
REL 190	Special Topics in Religion: _____ (Eastern Orthodox Christianity)
SOC 532	Sociology of the Middle East
THR 302	Undergraduate Seminar in: _____ (Theatre and Genocide)
WGSS 396	Studies in: _____ (Gendering the Holocaust)

## Minor Hours & Minor GPA

While completing all required courses, minors must also meet each of the following hour and grade-point average minimum standards:

### Minor Hours

Satisfied by 18 hours of minor courses.

### Minor Hours in Residence

Satisfied by a minimum of 9 junior/senior (300+) hours of KU resident credit in the minor.

### Minor Junior/Senior Hours

Satisfied by a minimum of 12 hours from junior/senior courses (300+) in the minor.

### Minor Graduation GPA

Satisfied by a minimum of a 2.0 KU GPA in junior/senior courses in the minor. GPA calculations include all junior/senior courses in the field of study including F's and repeated courses. See the Semester/Cumulative GPA Calculator (<https://sis.ku.edu/gpa-calculator/>).