Slavic and East European Studies

Degree Offered
• Bachelor of Arts

Nature of Program
The Slavic and East European Studies (SEES) interdisciplinary major offers an integrated approach to the study of the languages, cultures, history, geography, politics, economies, religions, and societies of Eastern Europe. This region includes: Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia, Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Bulgaria, Macedonia, Serbia, Montenegro, Bosnia, Croatia, Albania, Romania, and Moldova. The demand of government and the private sector for individuals specializing in this resurgent area of Europe has renewed in recent years, even as economic, political, and cultural changes have served to make Eastern Europe more accessible. The program incorporates diverse disciplines, language study, and study abroad to provide students with a deep as well as broad grasp of the region’s past, present, and future.

Students who earn a degree in the Eberly College of Arts and Sciences must complete the University requirements, the College requirements for their specific degree program, and their major requirements.

Minors
All students have the possibility of earning one or more minors; view a list of all available minors and their requirements (http://catalog.wvu.edu/archivedcatalog/2014-15/undergraduate/minors) here. Please note that students may not earn a minor in their major field.

Certificate of Global Engagement
Students in the Eberly College, regardless of their major, can earn a Certificate of Global Engagement. Completion of the Certificate demonstrates the student’s knowledge of diverse cultures, as well as the ability to communicate and interact effectively with people of different cultural backgrounds. Students will be required to apply their knowledge of contemporary issues and global social contexts to their course work and their broader citizenship. For details regarding Certificate requirements, please visit the Eberly College page (http://catalog.wvu.edu/archivedcatalog/2014-15/undergraduate/eberlycollegeofartsandsciences/#otherdegreeext) .

Career Goals
In today’s increasingly global setting, business, diplomacy, and scholarship all benefit from a thorough knowledge of at least one foreign language and a familiarity with the culture, history, and economics of the region speaking that language. A major in SEES prepares students for further study in graduate or professional schools, as well as contributing background that may be applied to work in government, foreign service, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), and international business or law.

Admission, Residency, and Other Requirements
There are no special requirements for direct admission into the SEES major, but once admitted students must achieve a minimum grade point average of 2.25, both overall and in the major. They must also satisfy University General Education Curriculum (GEC) and Eberly College of Arts and Sciences requirements and earn a total of 120 hours credit in order to graduate. Although study abroad is strongly encouraged, a student completing a major in SEES must fulfill a residency requirement by completing at least fifteen of the hours for the major on campus, excluding courses numbered 100, 101, 102, 200, 203, 204, and courses obtained through credit by examination.

Other Coursework/Second Majors/Minors
Students are strongly encouraged to work closely with the advisor and faculty in the SEES program to select related courses, second majors, and/or minors (such as international studies, Russian studies, foreign languages, history, political science, or economics) that will complement their work in SEES and lead to meaningful career options.

FACULTY
COORDINATOR
• Lisa Di Bartolomeo - Ph.D. (University of North Carolina)

Freshmen are admitted directly into the SEES major. Students admitted from University College or another major must have a 2.0 overall GPA, and have completed a minimum of one related-language course with at least a C (*language courses do not include FCLT, FLIT, LANG, LING). Please see an adviser for details.
Degree Requirements
Students must complete WVU General Education Curriculum requirements, College B.A. requirements, major requirements, and electives to total 120 hours. For complete details on these requirements, visit the B.A. Degrees tab on the Eberly College of Arts and Sciences page (http://catalog.wvu.edu/archivedcatalog/2014-15/undergraduate/eberlycollegeofartsandsciences/#bachelorofartstext) .

Program Requirements for the B.A. in Slavic and Eastern European Studies
All students wishing to obtain a degree in Slavic and Eastern European Studies are required to complete a minimum of 36 credit hours (see below), and must follow the following:

- **Calculation of the GPA in the Major:** Students must earn a 2.25 GPA in all courses applied to the SEES major. A grade of C- or above must be earned in all courses applied to the SEES major. Students must also earn a 2.25 overall GPA.

- **Writing Course Requirement:** The General Education Curriculum requires the successful completion of a writing course ("W"), preferably in the major. Students in the SEES major are encouraged to take FCLT 250, FCLT 280, FCLT 380, FCLT 381, or FCLT 382. FLIT 256 and FLIT 257 may also be used.

- **Capstone Requirement:** The General Education Curriculum requires the successful completion of a Capstone course. Students in the SEES program must successfully pass SEES 497A.

- **Benchmarks Expectations:** By end of the 2nd year in the major, students should have completed RUSS (or other language) 204; retain 2.25 GPA in courses that count toward the major by Junior year. All majors must meet with an SEES adviser each semester. Students who do not meet these benchmarks may be removed from the major.

GENERAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM
Please use this link to view a list of courses that meet each GEC requirement. (http://registrar.wvu.edu/current_students/general_education_curriculum)

NOTE: Some major requirements will fulfill specific GEC requirements. Please see the curriculum requirements listed below for details on which GECs you will need to select.

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Writing course

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### PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

A minimum GPA of 2.25 is required in all courses

- **Foundation Course:**
  - SEES 101 Intro Slavic/East Europe Study
### Language Requirement
Six hours from either 300-level Russian, or another SEES-approved language at any level.

### Economics
- **ECON 453** Economic Transition in Europe (Pre-req is ECON 201 and ECON 202)
- or **ECON 454** Comparative Economic Systems

### History
- **HIST 417** World War II in Europe
- or **HIST 418** Eastern Europe since 1945

Select one of the following:
- **HIST 217** History of Russia to 1917
- **HIST 218** History of Russia: 1900-Present
- **HIST 417** World War II in Europe
- **HIST 418** Eastern Europe since 1945
- **HIST 419** Revolutionary Russia: 1900-1953
- **HIST 420** USSR and After: 1953-Present

### FLIT/FCLT
Select one from the following:
- **FCLT 281** Vampire: Blood and Revolution
- **FCLT 380** Holocaust: East Europe Film/Lit
- **FCLT 381** Contemporary Polish Cinema
- **FCLT 382** Polish Cinema: Kieslowski

Select one of the following:
- **FLIT 256** Russian Literature Translatn 1
- **FLIT 257** Russian Literature Translatn 2
- **FCLT 250** Russian Fairy Tales
- **FCLT 280** SciFi: East/West
- **FCLT 281** Vampire: Blood and Revolution
- **FCLT 380** Holocaust: East Europe Film/Lit
- **FCLT 381** Contemporary Polish Cinema
- **FCLT 382** Polish Cinema: Kieslowski

Or other culture course

### Electives
Additional language courses other than Russian
- **ECON 453** Economic Transition in Europe
- **ECON 454** Comparative Economic Systems
- **HIST 417** World War II in Europe
- **HIST 418** Eastern Europe since 1945
- **POLS 351** Russian/Post-Soviet Politics (Pre-req is POLS 351 or POLS 260 or consent)

Additional FLIT/FCLT courses from the list above.

### SEES Capstone
- **SEES 497A** Research: Capstone

### GENERAL ELECTIVES
Number of elective may vary depending on overlap

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120

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Total credit hours: 120

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**SLAVIC & EAST EUROPEAN STUDIES MINOR**

**MINOR CODE - U077**

The minor in Slavic and East European studies is an interdisciplinary program recognizing students’ successful completion of coursework focusing on the languages, culture, history, politics, economies, and religions of Eastern Europe with award of an academic minor. Students must earn a grade of C- or better in all courses applied to the minor. In addition to the language hours under “Language Courses,” a maximum of 3 credit hours may be counted as an upper-division elective.

**FOUNDATION COURSE:**  
3  
SEES 101 Intro Slavic/East Europe Study

**LANGUAGE COURSES:**  
6  
Six hours of Russian (300 level or above)  
or six hours of a SEES-related language at any level

**UPPER-DIVISION ELECTIVES:**  
9  
ECON 453 Economic Transition in Europe  
ECON 454 Comparative Economic Systems  
FCLT 380 Holocaust: East Europe Film/Lit  
FCLT 381 Contemporary Polish Cinema  
FCLT 382 Polish Cinema: Kieslowski  
HIST 417 World War II in Europe  
HIST 418 Eastern Europe since 1945  
HIST 419 Revolutionary Russia: 1900-1953  
or HIST 420 USSR and After: 1953-Present  
POLS 351 Russian/Post-Soviet Politics

Total Hours 18
COURSES

SEES 101. Intro Slavic/East Europe Study. 3 Hours.
This course offers a multidisciplinary introduction to the geography, history, culture, societies, religions, and politics of slavic and Eastern Europe, a broad region between contemporary Germany and Eurasian Russia and the Baltic and Black Sea.

SEES 492A-Z. Directed Study. 1-3 Hours.
Directed study, reading, and/or research.

SEES 497A. Research: Capstone. 1-6 Hours.
Independent research projects.