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HOW TO USE THIS MAP

Use this map to help plan and guide your experience at UC Berkeley, including academic, co-curricular, and discovery opportunities. Everyone's Berkeley experience is different and activities in this map are suggestions. Always consult with your advisors whenever possible for new opportunities and updates.

CONNECT WITH US

Cal Day

Come to UC Berkeley's annual **Open House** in April for information sessions, campus tours, special talks, and more.

Golden Bear Orientation

Join your peers in the campus-wide UC Berkeley **orientation** program for all new students.

Events

Attend department events with students, faculty, and staff. Visit **slavic.berkeley.edu** for news and updates.

ADVISING

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SLAVIC LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES

Berkeley UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

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INTRODUCTION TO THE MAJOR

The **Slavic Languages and Literatures** department offers two major tracks. The Major in Russian, East European, and Eurasian Languages and Cultures offers an interdisciplinary area studies approach to the languages and cultures of this huge, diverse, and vitally important region of the world. Students focus on one language: Russian, Armenian, Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian, Czech, Hungarian, or Polish. The Major in Russian Language and Literature is designed to give students indepth knowledge of Russian language and literature.

Graduates go on to careers in fields such as journalism, business, diplomacy, international development, education, social work, health, and environmental affairs. A Slavic major also provides excellent preparation for graduate studies as well as a sound background in the liberal arts for those attending professional school.



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CC The Slavic department was an invaluable part of my college experience. I can't imagine a better setting for learning a foreign language.

– 2019 graduate

ADDITIONAL OPTIONS

The Slavic Department's majors are flexible: we take into account individual students' academic interests, prior exposure to the area, and knowledge of its languages.

Already have an intended major but interested in Slavic Language and Literatures? Consider adding a **double major** or **minor**.

For non-majors, we offer a number of courses (taught in English) that fulfill breadth requirements in Arts and Literature, Philosophy and Values, Historical Studies, Social and Behavioral Sciences, and International Studies, as well as Freshmen and Sophomore seminars.

AMPLIFY YOUR MAJOR

- **Study abroad** in Russia or other Eastern European countries.
- Submit your work to **TROIKA**, the undergraduate journal.
- Apply for an **ISEEES Fellowship** to receive support for a research project.
- Check out the **Slavic & East European Studies collection** at the Doe Library.

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Connections Networking Series.

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DESIGN YOUR JOURNEY



	FIRST YEAR	SECOND YEAR	THIRD YEAR	FOURTH YEAR
Explore your major	Meet with your major and college advisor to discuss your academic plans. Review major and college requirements. Enroll in L&S 1 and HUM 10 (Compass Courses). Take the language placement exam for your chosen language of study.	Begin working on lower division requirements including language and literature/culture courses for your major track, and declare the major. Review the major guidelines for study abroad.	Focus on upper division requirements for your major track and concentration. Review your degree progress with your major and college advisor . Complement your major with a certificate , course thread , or summer minor .	Do a degree check to ensure you are on track to graduate. Complete any "bucket list" courses. Finish remaining major , college , and campus requirements . Consider a membership in Dobro Slovo, the National Slavic Honors Society.
Connect and build community	Get 1:1 mentoring from graduate students with Berkeley Connect and L&S Mentors Program. Find study groups, tutoring, and academic support at the Student Learning Center. Explore the Berkeley Language Center.	Explore resources from the Institute of Slavic, Eastern European, and Eurasian Studies . Get to know professors and graduate student instructors during their office hours.	Sign up for the ISEEES email list and attend institute-affiliated events. Consider becoming a Golden Bear Orientation Leader and welcome new students to UC Berkeley.	Practice your language skills while helping others learn in the SLC Language Exchange Program . Get support for your thesis project in the Townsend Honors Thesis Workshop . Connect with alumni groups and build your network as you prepare to graduate.
Discover your passions	Discover new interests in a Freshman Seminar or student-run DeCal course. Visit the Office of Undergraduate Research and Scholarships. Check out the Slavic & East European Studies collection at the Doe Library.	Continue exploring with a Sophomore Seminar , Big Ideas Course or Discovery Course . Assist faculty in their research through URAP . Check out the URAP in European Studies .	Apply for an ISEES Fellowship to receive support for a research project. Planning a senior thesis or project? Apply to the Haas Scholars Program or SURF. Curious about entrepreneurship? Enroll in HUM120: Entrepreneurship for All.	Teach your own DeCal course . Undertake an optional honors thesis or independent study. Submit your work to the undergraduate journal TROIKA . Keep pursuing your interests through a fellowship or gap year after graduation.
Engage locally and globally	Attend the Calapalooza student activities fair and get involved with a student organization. Find service opportunities through the Public Service Center . Explore study, internship, and research abroad options in Slavic with Berkeley Study Abroad .	Contribute to a community organization with an American Cultures Engaged Scholarship course. Go on a service-learning trip with the Alternative Breaks Program. Apply to the Boren Scholarship or Critical Language Scholarship program.	Experience life at another UC or college on a visitor and exchange program. Study and intern in Washington D.C. with UCDC or Cal in the Capital. Get international work experience with a Berkeley Global Internship in Prague.	Hone your leadership skills with the Peter E. Haas Public Service Leaders program . Explore service opportunities after graduation, such as Peace Corps , Teach for America , or U.S. Department of State . Apply to the Fulbright ETA Program to teach English in Russia and Eastern Europe.
Reflect and plan your future	Visit Berkeley Career Engagement and the Career Counseling Library. Develop a plan for getting career ready. Set up a Handshake account and sign up for CareerMail. Explore career fields in the Career	Discuss career options and goals with a Career Educator . Shadow alumni during a winter externship . Learn about graduate and professional school . See Step-by-Step for planning help. Think about doing an internship and attend an	Learn about career fields and conduct informational interviews with people in those fields. Discuss graduate school options with advisors and professors. Create or update your resume and LinkedIn	Utilize job board tools in your job search. Ask professors and graduate student instructors for recommendation letters. Meet employers at Employer Info Sessions and On-Campus Recruiting . Apply to jobs, graduate school, and other

profile.

Attend career and graduate school fairs.

internship fair.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY MAJOR?

Jobs and Employers

Associate, Pillsbury Law Attorney, Winston & Straun **Aviation Instructor** Business Development, SAP Digital News Producer, KTLA Digital Skills & Financial Literacy Specialist, International Rescue Committee

Fulbright English Teach. Asst., Russia Intl. Trd. Anlst., Northrup Grummond Law Clerk, Cook Cty. Public Defender Legislative Staffer, U.S. House of Rep. Taxonomist, Walmart Labs Res. and Program Assoc., Brennan Ctr. Writer, The Armenian Weekly

Graduate Programs

Chemistry, PhD Comparative Literature, PhD History, Masters International Relations, Masters Law, JD Medical Neurosciences, Masters Russian Literature, PhD

Examples gathered from the **First Destination Survey** of recent Berkeley graduates.

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opportunities.