B.A. in Eastern European Languages, Literature, and Culture

Students working toward the B.A. in Eastern European Languages, Literature, and Culture benefit from one of the most comprehensive Slavic Languages & Literatures programs in the nation. They undertake two years of language studies in Bosnian, Croatian, Montenegrin, Serbian; Polish; Slovene; or Ukrainian, and build on this linguistic foundation by exploring the culture of Eastern European communities through literature, cinema, cultural surveys, and more. Opportunities for close relationships with acclaimed faculty and hands-on learning are at the core of this transformative experience, and allow students to develop exceptional insight into the ways people in Central and Eastern Europe experience the world.

Beyond our program, students benefit from the department's close ties to the Ellison Center for Russian, East European and Central Asian Studies in the Jackson School of International Studies, as well as to local Slavic communities. They also have the opportunity to take what they learn outside the classroom, by participating in study abroad, completing an internship, or attending one of our many departmental events.

Admissions and Advising

University of Washington students in good academic standing may declare the major at any time by meeting with our undergraduate adviser. To learn more about applying to the University of Washington as an incoming student, please see information for first-year students, transfer students, or postbaccalaureate students.

Major Requirements

1. Completion of the second year or higher of ONE of the following East European languages:
   - Bosnian/Croatian/Montenegrin/Serbian (BCMS 406 or 410)
   - Bulgarian (BULGR 406)
   - Czech (CZECH 406)
   - Polish (POLSH 406)
   - Romanian (ROMN 406)
   - Slovene (SLVN 406)
   - Ukrainian (UKR 406)

2. SLAVIC 101, SLAVIC 320, SLAVIC 370, and SLAVIC 425 (20 credits)

3. A minimum of 20 credits from the following list of courses (no more than 5 credits may be taken at the 100 level):
   - BCMS 420: Literature, Film & Culture of the Former Yugoslavia and Yugoslav Successor States
   - CZECH 420: Topics in Czech Literature
   - POLSH 320: Introduction to Contemporary Polish Culture
   - POLSH 420: Topics in Polish Literature
   - SLAVIC 110: The Slavic Languages
   - SLAVIC 210: Introduction to Bilingualism
   - SLAVIC 223: East European Cinema
4. A minimum of 50% of credits applied to the major must be taken at the 300 or 400 level.

5. A minimum grade of 2.0 in each course and a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.50 for all UW and transfer courses presented for this major.

6. A minimum of 15 graded credits presented for this major must be completed through the UW.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The University of Washington requires a minimum of 50 credits for all majors. Students who test out of Slavic Department language requirements MUST STILL complete 50 credits appropriate to the Eastern European Languages, Literature, and Culture major, and should select alternate courses with the assistance of the undergraduate adviser.

---

**Source URL:** https://slavic.washington.edu/ba-eastern-european-languages-literature-and-culture