

# RUSSIAN LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

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## College of Arts and Humanities

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The undergraduate major in Russian Language and Literature consists of 40 credits beyond the prerequisite of Elementary Russian (RUS101, RUS102 or equivalent). Many students pursue a double major or double degree in Russian and another discipline, such as international relations, business, history, economics, journalism, engineering, etc. Russian students have the opportunity to live in St. Mary's Language House, and the majority of majors participate in study abroad. Native or heritage speakers wishing to enroll in Russian courses or major in Russian should consult the undergraduate advisor. Students interested in enrolling in a course that appears closed or that has a waitlist are strongly encouraged to contact the faculty member or undergraduate advisor for Russian for permission to enroll.

## PROGRAMS

### Major

- Russian Language and Literature Major (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/russian-language-literature/russian-language-literature-major/>)

### Minor

- Russian Studies Minor (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/russian-language-literature/russian-studies-minor/>)

## ADVISING

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To review the academic plan for this major, go to: <http://arhu.umd.edu/academicsadvising/academic-plans/>.

## OPPORTUNITIES

### Undergraduate Research Experiences

The School of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures has implemented an Annual SLLC Undergraduate Research Forum which allows its outstanding juniors and/or seniors to display their research projects. The forum takes place in late April in the Language House (St. Mary's).

### Internships

Each fall semester, SLLC organizes a Language Career and Internship Fair in conjunction with the UMD Career Center. For more information, see the SLLC website: <http://sllc.umd.edu>.

### Scholarships and Financial Assistance

The Office of Student Financial Aid (OSFA) administers a variety of federal, state, and institutional financial assistance programs, and, in

cooperation with other university offices, participates in the awarding of scholarships to deserving students. For information, visit: <http://financialaid.umd.edu>.

The Russian program, through a generous gift from Professor Emeritus Mikhail Brin, offers *The Maya Brin Scholarship in Cultural Competence* to help students pursue advanced language and cultural competence in Russian. One to two awards are given each year, the amount varies depending on funds available.

## Awards and Recognition

The Russian Program inducts outstanding students each year into the National Slavic Honor Society, *Dobro Slovo*, and awards a *Maya Brin Prize for Excellence in Russian* to a top student each year that carries with it a \$500 prize.

The UG Committee of the School of Languages, Literatures and Cultures organizes an annual awards ceremony to celebrate SLLC students who have earned SLLC, campus and/or national scholarships, and academic achievement awards. The awards ceremony takes place in conjunction with the annual SLLC UG Research Forum.