



University of California, Santa Barbara
Program Learning Outcomes

B.A. in Slavic Languages and Literatures

Students graduating with a B.A. in Slavic Languages and Literatures should be able to:

I. Language Proficiency

- Demonstrate an awareness of the linguistic structures of Russian and be able to use those structures competently and fluidly in both spoken and written language.
- Be able to communicate with Russian speakers in a variety of situations.
- Communicate information and ideas to Russian speakers at an advanced level about a variety of topics.
- Read texts in Russian on an advanced level about society, politics and culture and in such genres as newspaper articles, novels, poetry as well as philosophical and scientific literature.
- Write essays in Russian on an advanced level about a variety of topics.
- Demonstrate an awareness of the rules of Russian phonetics and be able to replicate them.

II. Cultural Proficiency

- Demonstrate basic knowledge of the literatures, art and cultures of East Europe, in particular Russia, in a historical context.
- Demonstrate basic knowledge of Russian and East European traditions of thought in their social and political context.

III. Critical Thinking and Writing

- Write critically and persuasively about Russian and East European cultural topics in English.
- Command such basic tools as close reading, archival research, and critical theory to analyze literary text, artworks or other cultural products.
- Discuss the critical differences between Slavic and East European cultures and Western, specifically U.S. culture.