

RUSSIAN AND EASTERN EUROPEAN CULTURE CLUSTER

Courses

ERU

ERU 309. Russian Culture. 3 Credits.

(In English) A course designed to acquaint students with Russian culture and life in Russia today. No knowledge of Russian required.

Gen Ed Attribute: Foreign Language Culture Cluster, Interdisciplinary Requirement, Russia & Eastern Europe Culture Cluster, Writing Emphasis.

Typically offered in Fall & Spring.

GEO

GEO 304. Geography of Asia. 3 Credits.

This course is a survey course focusing on the geography of Asia. This course utilizes a systematic approach to understanding Asia's geography and includes an examination of the physical environment, the cultural traditions, lifestyles, economies, development, and urban environment throughout the Asia region. The course focuses on the regions of South, Central, East, and Southeast Asia. Russia and the eastern countries of the former Soviet Union are also covered.

Gen Ed Attribute: Foreign Language Culture Cluster, Russia & Eastern Europe Culture Cluster.

Typically offered in Spring & Summer.

HIS

HIS 224. Reform and Revolution in Imperial Russia. 3 Credits.

Focusing on the Russian Empire from the reforms of Peter the Great in the early eighteenth century to the overthrow of the Romanov dynasty in 1917, the course examines the experiences and perspectives of the empire's diverse peoples. It immerses students in the world of imperial Russia via role-playing simulations and the analysis of primary sources. Students develop the critical skills of reading, writing, and speaking from the perspective of a historian and from the perspective of multiple historical figures in conventional and creative genres.

Gen Ed Attribute: Foreign Language Culture Cluster, Humanities Distributive Requirement, Russia & Eastern Europe Culture Cluster, Speaking Emphasis.

Typically offered in Spring.

HIS 324. Race & Nation in the Russian Empire. 3 Credits.

Focusing on the formation of a vast and diverse Russian empire in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, the course explores tensions between an emerging sense of Russian national identity and the racialized practices that sustained imperial rule. It includes substantive study of peasants, workers, women, ethnic, national and religious minorities, and colonized peoples. As students analyze and interpret the multiple ways in which the empire's marginalized peoples experienced and resisted structural inequalities, they develop skills in historical thinking, writing, and speaking.

Gen Ed Attribute: Diversity Requirement, Foreign Language Culture Cluster, Russia & Eastern Europe Culture Cluster.

Typically offered in Fall.

HIS 425. Twentieth-Century Russia. 3 Credits.

Its rise and fall in light of traditional Russian patterns and the communist experiment.

Gen Ed Attribute: Foreign Language Culture Cluster, Russia & Eastern Europe Culture Cluster.

Typically offered in Spring.

PSC

PSC 346. Russian Government and Politics. 3 Credits.

Marxism-Leninism, the functioning of the political system, and its domination of all areas of Soviet life. Some brief attention to the conduct of Soviet foreign policy.

Gen Ed Attribute: Foreign Language Culture Cluster, Russia & Eastern Europe Culture Cluster.