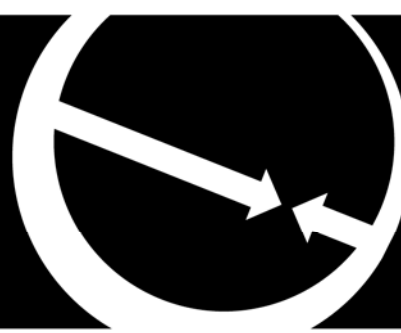


RUSSIA

Advanced Russian Language and Area Studies Co-Sponsored Study Abroad Program



Program Highlights

Dates

Academic Year, Fall or Spring Semester, or 8-week Summer Sessions

Location

Moscow, St. Petersburg, Vladimir

Program Costs

- American Councils program fee (See acrussiaabroad.org for details.)
- Partial Ohio State tuition (See program costs section for details.)

Application Deadline

Spring Semester:

October 1, 2009

Summer Session:

February 1, 2010

Fall/Academic Year:

March 1, 2010

Please Note: This deadline applies to both the OIA and American Councils applications.

Eligibility

- Two years college-level Russian

Academic Credit

Russian and Slavic Studies

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Program

The American Councils Advanced Russian Language and Area Studies Programs (RLASP) are designed to maximize linguistic and cultural immersion in Russian society. The academic program is designed to improve participants' oral, listening, reading and writing proficiency in Russian language and to develop their knowledge of Russian history, politics, culture and society. The academic year, semester, and summer programs provide approximately twenty hours per week of in-class instruction in Russian grammar, phonetics, conversation, and cultural studies at Moscow International University, the Russian State Pedagogical University (Gertsen Institute) in St. Petersburg, and the KORA Center for Russian Language in Vladimir. One day per week of the academic program is set aside for local cultural excursions.

Location

As Russia's capital and the largest city, Moscow is a sprawling metropolis of 10 million residents. The political affairs of the nation and the progress of investment and new business development take place amidst a vital cultural life. St. Petersburg, the most European of Russian cities, retains many of the baroque splendors of the former empire and a fairy-tale atmosphere of gold-domed churches, elaborate palaces, and riverside parks. In St. Petersburg, Dostoevsky wrote his greatest works, Shostakovich composed his first great symphony and Lenin began his political career. With its picturesque cathedrals and monasteries, the Golden Ring city of Vladimir, located 200 km (124 miles) east of Moscow, offers a more leisurely pace of life.

Courses and Credits

All classes are conducted in Russian by host university faculty with extensive experience in teaching Russian as a foreign language to American students. Students receive 20 classroom contact hours per week. Students receive academic credit through Bryn Mawr College. American Councils course credits are transferable to Ohio State pending approval of Ohio State academic departments. Students earn graded Ohio State credit.

Accommodations

Students may live with host families, or in university dormitories in Moscow and St. Petersburg; all students in Vladimir live with Russian host families. Host families provide private rooms, telephone access, and two meals per day during the week and three meals per day during the weekend. Living with a host family immerses participants in everyday Russia life, while offering some of the comforts of home.

Program Costs

Students will pay American Councils program fee plus partial Ohio State tuition. American Councils program fees include international airfare from Washington DC, housing, in-country tuition, most meals, all group travel in Russia, insurance, orientation in Washington, D.C., and a Russian visa.

Students participating in Ohio State-approved co-sponsor programs will receive a credit on their Ohio State Statement of Account from the Office of International Affairs (OIA) in order to off-set the cost of tuition. The dollar amount of this credit will be based upon the number of quarter credit hours the program yields.

Hours of registration	OIA credit amount
15	\$2,250
10	\$1,500
5	\$250

Ohio State fee information is available at:

www.ureg.ohio.state.edu/ourweb/more/Content/FeeTables/MainFeeTables.htm

Students are responsible for paying any balance due on their Ohio State Statement of Account in addition to the co-sponsor institution's program fee.

PLEASE NOTE: This applies to each quarter of registration at Ohio State. Non-residents are required to pay the Ohio State non-resident fee in addition to the aforementioned fees.

Pre-departure Orientation

American Councils' required pre-departure orientations are held in Washington D.C. during the week prior to the start of the program. Students also receive an in-country orientation upon arrival in Russia.

Application Information

Students must submit two applications and application fees:

- The American Councils ACTR application is available on the website acrussiaabroad.org. The American Councils application must be submitted directly to American Councils.
- Applicants must submit the Office of International Affairs Study Abroad Application online via buckeyelink.osu.edu. Please note that upon application, a \$150 application fee will be assessed to your Statement of Fees and Accounts. The application fee will be refunded only if you are not accepted or submit a written request to withdraw your application prior to the application deadline.
- If you withdraw at any time after the date of your notification of nomination to the exchange program, you will be responsible for any non-recoverable costs that have been incurred on your behalf plus a \$200 cancellation fee.

Passports

Passports are required for every Ohio State study abroad program. For many study abroad destinations, passport information is required to apply for an entry visa (as early as 6 months prior to departure). For information about applying for a passport, go to travel.state.gov.

Web Sites

Ohio State Funding Opportunities	oia.osu.edu
U.S. Department of State	travel.state.gov (travel warnings/country specific information)
Centers for Disease Control	cdc.gov/travel (geographic health recommendations)

Contact Us

The Office of International Affairs is located in Oxley Hall, 1712 Neil Avenue. Please see oia.osu.edu for information about "Getting Started" Information Sessions, Program Exploration Walk-in hours, and Study Abroad Coordinator office hours.

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