

# RUSSIA

Russian Culture and Society  
OSU Sponsored Study Abroad Program



## Program Highlights

### Dates

June 23, 2009 – July 5, 2009

### Locations

Moscow

### Expenses

Ohio State Tuition + \$3691  
program fee (see “program  
costs” section for more  
information)

### Application Deadline

February 1, 2009

### Eligibility

- 2.7 GPA

### Department Credit

Russian

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## Program

The Russian Culture and Society Program is a continuation of the GEC course Russian 235: *Modern Russian Culture*, to be offered by the Department of Slavic and East European Languages and Literatures during the Spring Quarter. During the spring quarter, the class will learn about modern Russian culture and society in historical and political context. Following Spring Quarter, the students, guided by the Russian 235 instructor and resident director, will travel to Russia to experience everyday life and to visit sites of major artistic, cultural, and historical importance.

## Location

For centuries Russia has been the largest state in Europe and one of the world's political and cultural superpowers. The Communist Revolution of 1917 set a course that dominated world politics throughout the twentieth century. Now a democracy, Russia continues to have a major influence on world events, intellectual life, and culture. The Russian Culture and Society Program offers students the opportunity to deepen their knowledge of this fascinating and beautiful country. In Moscow, Russia's ancient and modern capital, students will visit world-class museums, medieval churches, and Red Square, with its St. Basil's Cathedral, the Kremlin, and Lenin's Tomb. The itinerary also includes a day trip to Sergiev Posad to see the historic monastery.

## Courses and Credit

The study abroad program is an intensive program involving daylong field trips throughout the two weeks in Russia. Students will earn 5 credit hours for Russian 235 completed during Spring Quarter, and 8 additional credit hours of Russian 697 after successful completion of the study abroad program in Russia.

## Accommodations

Students will stay in hotels while in Moscow. Rooms will be double or triple occupancy. Accommodations are centrally located in Moscow, allowing easy access to nearby restaurants, cyber cafes, and other conveniences.

## Acceptance into the Program

Acceptance to the program will be determined based on academic record, statement of purpose, and letter of recommendation.

## **Program Fee and Additional Costs**

The cost of the 2009 program is Spring Quarter tuition plus a Study Abroad Program Fee of \$3691, which includes in-country instruction, international airfare, visa fees, accommodations (double or triple rooms), field trips, some entrance fees, and supplementary health insurance. Students are responsible for pre-departure expenses such as passport, health appointment and immunizations, as well as meals, local transportation, and personal expenses in-country. **The Office of International Affairs reserves the right to increase the study abroad program fee if there is a significant variation on the exchange rate at the time of payment to the host institution or vendor and/or the actual airfare exceeds the estimated amount when ticketing occurs.**

## **Pre-Departure Orientation**

All participants will be required to participate in on-campus pre-departure orientations. The date and location of the first pre-departure orientation will be provided in the letter of acceptance.

## **Application Information**

Applicants must submit the Office of International Affairs Study Abroad Application. An application fee of \$150 is due with your application. 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. The Study Abroad Application is available in the reception area in 100 Oxley Hall or online in the Study Abroad section of [oia.osu.edu](http://oia.osu.edu).

## **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](http://travel.state.gov).

## **Web Sites**

Ohio State Funding Opportunities	<a href="http://oia.osu.edu">oia.osu.edu</a>
U.S. Department of State	<a href="http://travel.state.gov">travel.state.gov</a> (travel warnings/consular information sheets)
Centers for Disease Control	<a href="http://cdc.gov/travel">cdc.gov/travel</a> (geographic health recommendations)

## **Contact Us**

Office of International Affairs, Oxley Hall, 1712 Neil Avenue, Columbus OH 43210-1219, USA, (614) 292-6101 or [oia.osu.edu](http://oia.osu.edu)

Study Abroad Coordinators are available on a walk-in basis Monday - Friday, 1 - 4 p.m.

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