Slavonic Languages and Literatures

**Degree conferred**
Philosophiae Doctor in Linguis et Litteris Slavorum / Doctor of Philosophy in Slavonic Languages and Literatures (PhD)

**Commencement of studies**
An application for admission may be submitted at any time.

**Regulation**
http://studies.unifr.ch/go/dGLfK (French and German only)

**Application procedure**
Candidates with Swiss qualifications
http://studies.unifr.ch/go/0bJpN
Candidates with foreign qualifications
http://studies.unifr.ch/go/4a2qV

**Fribourg profile**
In the field of Slavic Studies, the Department of Languages and Literatures offers a doctoral programme in Slavic Literatures. The main focus of research in Fribourg Slavic Studies is on Russian and Polish literature of the 19th to 21st centuries. The literature is examined in its interrelations with other spheres of culture (fine arts, philosophy, religion, etc.) and against the background of socio-historical developments. Fribourg Slavic Studies maintains partnerships and cooperations with numerous institutes, academic chairs and colleagues, particularly in Poland and the Russian Federation. It organises study days and conferences on a regular basis.

Doctoral theses can be written in German, French, English, Polish or Russian.

Fribourg Slavic Studies offers the following main topics for doctoral projects:
- Russian poetry
- The novel and theory of the novel in Russia
- Fyodor Dostoevsky
- History of Russian literature and literary theory
- Polish poetry
- The novel and theory of the novel in Poland
- Polish intellectual history
- Polish literature and social movements
- Polish cultural criticism and philosophy of history

Other topics are also possible. In particular, comparative projects or projects focusing on fundamental questions of literature and literary theory are welcome.

Doctoral students of Fribourg Slavic Studies participate regularly in events organised by the Slavic Literatures or Comparative Literature doctoral programmes.

There is a seminar for doctoral students in which the participants’ projects are discussed and general methodological and theoretical issues are addressed (about 7 meetings per semester). Doctoral students meet regularly with their supervisor to discuss questions of content and method.

**Professors who are eligible to supervise theses**
- Prof. Jens Herlth

Areas of specialisation:
See above

**Studies organisation**

**Structure of studies**
ECTS credits can be earned.

**Doctoral school**
- Admission
In order to be admitted to a doctorate the candidate must have been awarded an academic Bachelor’s and Master’s degree or an equivalent qualification by an university recognised by the University of Fribourg.

Before applying for a doctorate the candidate must contact a professor who would be willing to supervise the thesis work.

There is no general right to be admitted to a doctorate.

The respective conditions of admission for each doctoral study programme are reserved.

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