Slavic Studies

Degree conferred
Master of Arts in Languages and Literatures: Slavic Studies

Languages of study
Study in two languages, in French and German. A number of lectures will be in Russian or Polish.

Commencement of studies
Commencement of studies in the Autumn Semester (September) or in the Spring Semester (February)

Access to further studies
Ph.D.

The Master’s degree programme in Slavic studies at the University of Fribourg offers the opportunity of intensive analysis of cultural developments and traditions in Russia and Poland. The emphasis is on the period from the 19th to the 21st century. Students examine literature, philosophy and cultural criticism with regard to their relevance for contemporary social constellations and current political tendencies. The languages of instruction are German and French. Seminars are also regularly held in Russian. There are frequent visits from guest lecturers from the Slavic region.

The University of Fribourg offers a wide range of Eastern European exchange programmes, research projects and academic and cultural events organised by various institutes. This gives our students the possibility of interdisciplinary exchange and a chance to broaden their academic and personal horizons.

Profile of the study programme
The Fribourg Master's degree programme in Slavic studies offers the opportunity to analyse definitive cultural developments and traditions in Russia and Poland. Our main emphasis is on the period from the 19th to the 21st century. We examine literature, philosophy and cultural criticism with regard to their relevance for contemporary social constellations and current political tendencies. Our programme includes the «great» texts and authors as well as occurrences at the fringe of the cultural landscapes and mainstream.

The languages of instruction are German and French. Seminars in Russian are also held on a regular basis. This gives our students access to expert discussions and academic networks in German-speaking and French-speaking countries. We regularly invite guest lecturers from the Slavic region (Russia, Poland) in order to give our students maximum on-site contact with the Russian and Polish cultures.

Fribourg profile
Individual student care and development of competences
Admission

Master's degree programmes are built on the knowledge and abilities that were acquired when obtaining a bachelor's degree.

Holders of a bachelor's degree awarded by a Swiss university are admitted to a master's degree programme without any preconditions if they have earned 60 or 90 ECTS credits – depending on the chosen master's degree programme – within the corresponding discipline. However, additional requirements can be required. The same applies to holders of a bachelor's degree awarded by a foreign university, provided that the bachelor's degree is recognised and considered equivalent by the University of Fribourg.

Holders of a bachelor's degree awarded by a Swiss or a foreign university, provided that the bachelor's degree is recognised and considered equivalent by the University of Fribourg, who do not fulfil this condition can be admitted to a master's degree programme with preconditions (which must be successfully completed before starting the master's degree programme) and/or additional requirements (which can be completed during the master's degree programme). The preconditions and/or additional requirements may not exceed 60 ECTS credits in total. The same applies to holders of a bachelor's degree awarded by a Swiss university of applied sciences, according to existing agreements.

*The respective conditions of admission for each master's degree programme are reserved.*

Alternatives

Also offered as a minor study programme (30 ECTS credits).

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