# **Entry requirements**

To apply for this degree programme, you should have a good first university degree in cultural studies or a related subject, earned after a three-year undergraduate programme, with an overall average mark equivalent to 2.5 or better on the German marking scale, or ranked among the best 50% of your cohort.

Moreover, you should provide evidence of English at level B2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for languages (CEFR), or German at level B2 CEFR (e.g. DSH-1 or an equivalent certificate). In addition, you should provide a B2 certificate in a Slavic language.

For details on the application process, including a list of required documents, visit <a href="https://www.uni-passau.de/en/apply">www.uni-passau.de/en/apply</a>

The deadline for applications for this degree programme, which commences in October (winter semester) each year, is 15 July.



# Further information and contact details

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# Perspektive Osteuropa (student and alumni network)

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# **International Office**

Assists international students with the immigration formalities and with getting settled in Passau www.uni-passau.de/en/international

#### **Student Registration Office**

Contact for enquiries related to your application www.uni-passau.de/en/student-registration-office

# **Language Centre**

Offers a wide range of language courses www.sprachenzentrum.uni-passau.de/en

# **Centre for Careers and Competencies**

www.uni-passau.de/en/zkk

### iStudi Coach for job market induction

www.uni-passau.de/en/iStudi

# **German Courses Passau**

German language courses for international students www.uni-passau.de/en/learn-german





# Master of Arts in **Russian and East Central European Studies**





# M.A. Russian and East Central European Studies

# About the programme

The M.A. Russian and East Central European Studies is a research-oriented, interdisciplinary degree programme. Its aim is to equip students with profound knowledge of the countries and cultures of Eastern Europe by placing the focus on historical, literary and cultural studies.

In addition to specialising in this region, you will acquire methodological, theoretical and applied skills as you progress through your degree studies.

Moreover, you will have the opportunity to learn or perfect your Czech, Polish, and/or Russian language skills by making use of the relevant Language Centre courses.

As the programme is focused on Eastern Europe, you will gain essential knowledge of one of the world's primary growth regions.

#### **Features**

- Core subjects: history, literary and cultural studies
- Excellent staff-student ratio
- Seminars in nearby southern Bohemia in the Czech Republic
- Optional: complete part of your studies at one of our partner universities in Eastern or East-Central Europe
- This degree programme can be studied wholly in German and/or English





# **Career prospects**

This master's programme teaches you to independently analyse and solve complex problems using scientific methods.

In addition to being able to successfully undertake scholarly research, you will have the capability to tackle challenging tasks in business, politics and public administration.

The master's degree also opens up access to doctoral study for those who wish to pursue an academic career.

Our *Perspektive Osteuropa* platform is unique in Germany in that it caters specifically to students and alumni whose degree programmes are oriented on Eastern, East-Central or South-East Europe. Part of its remit is to facilitate work experience opportunities at relevant companies.

Programme

Degree awarded Duration and credits Starts in

Language of instruction

M.A. Russian and East Central European Studies

Master of Arts (M.A.)
4 semesters; 120 ECTS credits
October (winter semester)
German and/or English

# **Programme syllabus**

The degree programme is comprised of the following module groups:

- Theories and Methods foundation modules and language module
- Focus modules
- Research module

In the Theories and Methods modules you are introduced to the theories and research methods needed for scholarly work on Eastern and East-Central Europe. You will also have the option of beginning or perfecting a Slavic language (Czech, Polish and/or Russian).

Focus modules: You will study two of the following focus module groups:

- National, ethnic, cultural and confessional identities in East-Central Europe
- Territories and frontiers in Eastern Europe
- Literatures and discourses in and on Eastern Europe
- Internal and external conflicts in East-Central Europe

Research module: In this module, you will spend three months conducting research in Germany or abroad, e.g. at an archive, library or other suitable institution. You will write a research report and subsequently present your research findings.

As part of the programme, you will write a thesis, which you will also present to your fellow students in a compact seminar held at the end of the semester. The workload of the programme amounts to 120 ECTS credits.

