

# **European Studies and Russian**

Module Previews (2024-25)

Programme: Students study the nature of Europe and the forces that have shaped it through the disciplines of history, history of ideas, political science and sociology. They also develop proficiency in two modern languages (French, German, Italian, Polish, Russian, Spanish).

Russian course content: In languages which may be taken from scratch the first two years focus mainly on developing language skills, introducing students to the main trends in the historical and cultural development of Russia/Poland and familiarising students with aspects of contemporary Russian/Polish society.

Residence in Russia/Poland: European Studies students spend their third year on an approved course in a university or institute in the country of their major language. In the case of Poland, students spend a year at the Jagiellonian University in Cracow. Furthermore, all students of Polish are eligible to apply for scholarships to attend summer courses in Cracow. In the case of the Russian programme, students spend a year in Tallinn University, Estonia.

#### Year One

Russian language:	Elementary to intermediate Russian (the written and spoken language)
	Or
	Intermediate to advanced Russian
	Or
	Russian for academic purposes 1
Russian Area Studies 1:	Introduction to Central, East European and Russian Area
	Studies

#### Year Two

Russian language:	Intermediate to advanced Russian (the written and spoken
	language)
	Or
	Advanced Russian (the written and spoken language)
	Or
	Russian for academic purposes 2
Russian Area Studies 2:	Introduction to current political, economic and social issues in
	Russia/Poland

### Year Three

Study abroad year.

## Year Four

Russian language:	Advanced Russian (the written and spoken language)
	Long essay in Russian and presentation
Russian Area Studies:	Contemporary Russian/Polish society