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Opened in 2005, the SSEES building on Taverton Street is probably the most striking statement of the importance of the study of the region in any university in the world.

Economics and Business /

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The growth in political and economic influence of Central and Eastern Europe and Russia is impacting the global economy at a time of great uncertainty. Our degrees provide you with the opportunity to fully understand business and economics within the political, social and cultural contexts of the region and its history.

Subject overview

Total intake **45**

(2014 entry)

Applications per place **9**

(2012 entry)

Research Assessment Exercise (RAE)

45% rated 4* ('world-leading')
or 3* ('internationally excellent')

First career destinations (2009–2011)

- Analyst, Deutsche Bank (2011)
- Full-time student, MA in Development Studies at Birkbeck University (2011)
- Full-time student, MSc in Economics with European Studies at the University of Oxford (2010)
- Graduate Consultant, Arup (2010)
- Trainee Auditor, Ernst & Young (2010)

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Economics and Business with East European Studies BA

UCAS: L1R7 • 3 years

A levels: AAA. Mathematics required. A pass in a further subject at **AS level** or equivalent is required. Standard **GCSE** offer (see page 30), except English Language at grade B.

IB Diploma: 38 points. A total of 18 points in three higher level subjects including Mathematics, with no score below 5.

Other qualifications:
see online Prospectus entry.

This degree offers a grounding in economics and business studies combined with an application of these disciplines to the East European region. It provides the opportunity to learn an East European language and to gain deeper insights into the major economic issues involved in the transition from Communism to post-Communism.

You will take compulsory courses in economics and business in years one and two, with a compulsory dissertation in your final year. In each year you choose the remainder of your courses from options in economics, international relations, language, mathematical and statistical methodology, politics, and sociology. You will have the option to learn a language of the region as part of your degree.

Economics and Business with East European Studies with a Year Abroad BA

UCAS: L1RR • 4 years

A levels: AAA. Mathematics required. A pass in a further subject at **AS level** or equivalent is required. Standard **GCSE** offer (see page 30), except English Language at grade B.

IB Diploma: 38 points. A total of 18 points in three higher level subjects including Mathematics, with no score below 5.

Other qualifications:
see online Prospectus entry.

This degree offers a grounding in economics and business studies combined with an application of these disciplines to the East European region. It provides the opportunity to learn an East European language and to spend a year studying at a university in the region.

You will take compulsory courses in economics and business in years one and two, with a compulsory dissertation in your final year. In each year you choose optional courses in economics, international relations, language, mathematical and statistical methodology, politics, and sociology. Your third year is spent abroad studying at a university in the region, where you will be expected to develop your language skills where appropriate, to sit courses (in English) related to your degree and to develop an enhanced understanding of relevant country-level issues.

Changes in Central and Eastern Europe are simultaneously opening up new opportunities and creating new challenges. Our programmes are of contemporary relevance in view of the changes facing the EU, the new global economic order and the role of Russia, and offer fresh perspectives on the international situation.

Subject overview

Total intake **50**

(2014 entry)

Applications per place **7**

(2012 entry)

Research Assessment Exercise (RAE)

45% rated 4* ('world-leading') or 3* ('internationally excellent')

First career destinations (2009–2011)

- Full-time student, MA in International Security at Sciences Po, Paris (2011)
- Corporate Intelligence Analyst, PricewaterhouseCoopers (2011)
- Investment Banking Analyst, Citigroup (2011)
- Parliamentary Researcher, Liberal Democrats (2009)
- Full-time student, Ukraine Business Studies at Harvard University (2009)

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www.ucl.ac.uk/prospectus/ssees-politics

Politics and East European Studies BA

UCAS: LR27 • 3 years

A levels: AAA. No specific subjects. A pass in a further subject at **AS level** or equivalent is required. Standard **GCSE** offer (see page 30), except English Language at grade B.

IB Diploma: 38 points. A total of 18 points in three higher level subjects, with no score below 5.

Other qualifications: see online Prospectus entry.

This degree programme combines training in politics, international relations and security issues with specialist courses studying the region which are of contemporary relevance in view of the enlargement of NATO and the EU and the changing international situation.

You will take compulsory courses in politics, government and international relations in years one and two, with a course in comparative politics and a dissertation in your final year. Beyond this you can choose additional courses in economics, history, language, politics and sociology, as your interests dictate. You will have the option to learn a language of the region as part of your degree.

Politics and East European Studies with a Year Abroad BA

UCAS: LRF7 • 4 years

A levels: AAA. No specific subjects. A pass in a further subject at **AS level** or equivalent is required. Standard **GCSE** offer (see page 30), except English Language at grade B.

IB Diploma: 38 points. A total of 18 points in three higher level subjects, with no score below 5.

Other qualifications: see online Prospectus entry.

This programme combines training in politics, international relations and security issues with specialist courses studying the region which are of contemporary relevance in view of the enlargement of NATO and the EU and the changing international situation. Your third year is spent abroad, at a university in the region.

You will take compulsory courses in politics, government and international relations in years one and two, with a course in comparative politics and a dissertation in your final year. You will choose additional courses in economics, history, language, politics and sociology. Year three is spent abroad studying at a university in the region, where you will be expected to develop your language skills where appropriate, to sit courses (in English) related to your degree and to develop an enhanced understanding of relevant country-level issues.

Russian and East European History /

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Central and Eastern Europe and Russia have seen some of the most dramatic events in modern history – including the fall of the Berlin Wall and the conflicts in the Balkans. At SSEES you will receive both a broad historical training and access to the widest possible range of options concerning the region's history.

Subject overview

Total intake **50**

(2014 entry)

Applications per place **5**

(2012 entry)

Research Assessment Exercise (RAE)

45% rated 4* ('world-leading')
or 3* ('internationally excellent')

First career destinations (2009–2011)

- Full-time student, MPhil in Modern European History at the University of Cambridge (2011)
- Trainee Accountant, Ernst & Young (2011)
- Assistant Trader, Odey Asset Management (2010)
- Full-time student, MA in History at UCL (2010)
- Master's Course Officer, Cass Business School, City University (2009)

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History BA

UCAS: V101 • 3 years

A levels: AAA-AAB. History required. A pass in a further subject at **AS level** or equivalent is required. Standard **GCSE** offer (see page 30), except English Language and History at grade B.

IB Diploma: 36–38 points. A total of 17–18 points in three higher level subjects including History, with no score below 5.

Other qualifications:
see online Prospectus entry.

The History BA at SSEES is the fullest undergraduate programme covering the history of Central and Eastern Europe and Russia available anywhere in the world. Ranging from the early modern period to contemporary history, it covers topics such as national identity, gender, social and cultural history, government, society, art and architecture.

The first year principally consists of core courses. In years two and three, you take more specific courses which look at periods of history both thematically and in depth, and may also take history courses covering other regions, taught elsewhere in UCL and the University of London. Compulsory courses in each year are complemented by non-history options, including cultural studies, languages, social sciences, and other humanities subjects. In all years, you may undertake broad survey courses on the history of the region.

History with a Year Abroad BA

UCAS: V201 • 4 years

A levels: AAA-AAB. History required. A pass in a further subject at **AS level** or equivalent is required. Standard **GCSE** offer (see page 30), except English Language and History at grade B.

IB Diploma: 36–38 points. A total of 17–18 points in three higher level subjects including History, with no score below 5.

Other qualifications:
see online Prospectus entry.

The History with a Year Abroad BA gives you the same exceptional education covering the history of Central and Eastern Europe and Russia as the History BA, but also allows you to spend a year studying at one of our partner institutions in the region.

Year one principally consists of core courses. In years two and four, you take more specific courses looking at periods of history both thematically and in depth, and may also take history courses covering other regions, taught elsewhere in UCL and the University of London. Compulsory courses in these years are complemented by non-history options, including cultural studies, languages, social sciences, and other humanities subjects. The third year is spent abroad, undertaking courses and supervised study at an approved university in the region.

Russian and East European Languages and Culture /

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With Russian being one of the most important languages in the world and Eastern Europe undergoing progressive change, this is an exciting time to study the region. A knowledge of the languages, literatures and cultural histories of Central and Eastern Europe has more to offer than ever before.

Subject overview

Total intake **60**

(2014 entry)

Applications per place **4**

(2012 entry)

Research Assessment Exercise (RAE)

45% rated 4* ('world-leading')
or 3* ('internationally excellent')

First career destinations (2009–2011)

- Full-time student, MA in Russian Studies at UCL (2010)
- Librarian, British Library (2010)
- Charity Worker, Environmental Non-Governmental Organisation (2010)
- Parliamentary Researcher, UK Parliament (2009)
- Graduate Management Trainee, DHL (2009)

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Russian Studies BA

UCAS: R700 • 4 years

A levels: AAB-ABB. No specific subjects. A pass in a further subject at **AS level** or equivalent is required. Standard **GCSE** offer (see page 30), except English Language and a foreign language at grade B.

IB Diploma: 34-36 points. A score of 16-17 points in three higher level subjects, with no score lower than 5.

Other qualifications:
see online Prospectus entry.

The Russian Studies BA at SSEES is the most comprehensive single-subject Russian degree programme in the country. The programme cultivates a high proficiency in the Russian language and develops your skills in analysis, presentation, problem-solving and intercultural understanding.

The programme is designed both for students with no previous knowledge of Russian, and those who have taken A level or equivalent. Compulsory language courses form part of years one, two and four for all students. Three tracks allow for specialisation depending on your own interests: History and Culture, Literature and Culture, or Politics and Culture. Year three is spent studying in Russia, which will significantly improve your depth of understanding and fluency.

Russian with an East European Language BA

UCAS: R715 • 4 years

A levels: AAB-ABB. No specific subjects. A pass in a further subject at **AS level** or equivalent is required. Standard **GCSE** offer (see page 30), except English Language and a foreign language at grade B.

IB Diploma: 34-36 points. A score of 16-17 points in three higher level subjects, with no score lower than 5.

Other qualifications:
see online Prospectus entry.

If you are inspired by language learning, and enjoy exploring the similarities and differences between languages, this degree programme offers you the opportunity to study Russian and an East European language in a major/minor combination. Choose from Bulgarian, Czech/Slovak, Finnish, Hungarian, Polish, Romanian, Serbian/Croatian or Ukrainian.

Compulsory Russian language courses form part of years one, two and four for all students. Your minor language will account for 25% of your study time. Your third year is spent in Russia. The department can offer a choice of placements in Russia, not only in Moscow and St Petersburg but also in other cities. Immersing yourself in the language and culture of Russia will significantly improve your depth of understanding and fluency.

We run a busy programme of talks and seminars, with visiting experts and politicians from all over the UK and further afield to debate current issues and topics.

Russian and East European Languages and Culture

For more options including Russian and East European languages - see pages 48-52 and 59

Russian and History BA

UCAS: RV71 • 4 years

A levels: AAB-ABB. History required.

A pass in a further subject at **AS level** or equivalent is required. Standard **GCSE** offer (see page 30), except English Language and a foreign language at grade B.

IB Diploma: 34-36 points. A score of 16-17 points in three higher level subjects including History, with no score lower than 5.

Other qualifications: see online Prospectus entry.

If your interests lean strongly towards History and you have A level History (or equivalent), our Russian and History BA provides a coherent combination of courses drawing on the abundance of expertise and material we offer in these fields. Russian can be started from scratch.

Year one comprises compulsory courses in Russian language and Eastern European history, and a choice of optional courses from the wealth of history courses taught in SSEES, elsewhere at UCL and throughout the University of London, and from the full range of Russian literature and culture courses. In years two and four, you will take compulsory language courses plus further optional courses. Year three is spent studying in Russia, which will significantly improve your depth of understanding and fluency.

Bulgarian and East European Studies BA

UCAS: R781 • 4 years

A levels: AAB-ABB. No specific subjects. A pass in a further subject at **AS level** or equivalent is required. Standard **GCSE** offer (see page 30), except English Language and a foreign language at grade B.

IB Diploma: 34-36 points. A score of 16-17 points in three higher level subjects, with no score lower than 5.

Other qualifications: see online Prospectus entry.

Bulgaria has a rich cultural heritage and a strongly developing economy where specialists in Bulgarian are needed. This programme provides the opportunity to gain excellent language skills and a profound knowledge of Bulgaria's literature, history and culture, combined with an in-depth understanding of the region of Central and Eastern Europe.

Compulsory language courses in years one, two and four are tailored to your existing knowledge (whether you are starting from scratch or already have a good command of the language). In addition to this you will take a compulsory literature or culture course, and optional courses from a wide range, in each of these years. Your third year is spent abroad. Normally you spend this year studying at a university in your chosen country, but alternatives, such as work placements, may be possible.

Czech (with Slovak) and East European Studies BA

UCAS: R782 • 4 years

A levels: AAB-ABB. No specific subjects. A pass in a further subject at **AS level** or equivalent is required. Standard **GCSE** offer (see page 30), except English Language and a foreign language at grade B.

IB Diploma: 34-36 points. A score of 16-17 points in three higher level subjects, with no score lower than 5.

Other qualifications: see online Prospectus entry.

Czech is a Slavonic language, largely mutually comprehensible with Slovak and spoken by approximately 11 million native speakers. This programme offers the opportunity to gain excellent language skills and a profound knowledge of Czech literature, history and culture that will prepare you for a wide variety of careers in Europe.

Compulsory language courses in years one, two and four are tailored to your existing knowledge (whether you are starting from scratch or already have a good command of the language). In addition to this you will take a compulsory literature or culture course, and optional courses from a wide range, in each of these years. Your third year is spent abroad. Normally you spend this year studying at a university in your chosen country, but alternatives, such as work placements, may be possible.

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Finnish and East European Studies BA

UCAS: RR67 • 4 years

A levels: AAB-ABB. No specific subjects. A pass in a further subject at **AS level** or equivalent is required. Standard **GCSE** offer (see page 30), except English Language and a foreign language at grade B.

IB Diploma: 34-36 points. A score of 16-17 points in three higher level subjects, with no score lower than 5.

Other qualifications:
see online Prospectus entry.

The Finnish language is a member of the Uralic language family, which also includes Estonian and Hungarian. This programme offers the opportunity to gain excellent language skills and a profound knowledge of Finnish culture, history, society and literature that will prepare you for a wide variety of careers in Europe.

Compulsory language courses in years one, two and four are tailored to your existing knowledge (whether you are starting from scratch or already have a good command of the language). In addition to this you will take a compulsory literature or culture course, and optional courses from a wide range, in each of these years. Your third year is spent abroad. Normally you spend this year studying at a university in your chosen country, but alternatives, such as work placements, may be possible.

Hungarian and East European Studies BA

UCAS: R783 • 4 years

A levels: AAB-ABB. No specific subjects. A pass in a further subject at **AS level** or equivalent is required. Standard **GCSE** offer (see page 30), except English Language and a foreign language at grade B.

IB Diploma: 34-36 points. A score of 16-17 points in three higher level subjects, with no score lower than 5.

Other qualifications:
see online Prospectus entry.

Hungarian, spoken by approximately 13 million native speakers worldwide, is a member of the Uralic language family. This programme offers the opportunity to gain excellent language skills and a profound knowledge of Hungarian literature, history and culture that will prepare you for a wide variety of careers in Europe.

Compulsory language courses in years one, two and four are tailored to your existing knowledge (whether you are starting from scratch or already have a good command of the language). In addition to this you will take a compulsory literature or culture course, and optional courses from a wide range, in each of these years. Your third year is spent abroad. Normally you spend this year studying at a university in your chosen country, but alternatives, such as work placements, may be possible.





Charlotte Wilkinson

Russian Studies BA

Third Year

“UCL was my first choice when applying to university and as such I hoped that it would live up to my expectations. Beyond that I found that it surpassed them and offered me an excellent education alongside an active London lifestyle. Having never previously studied Russian, I chose Russian Studies after having vacationed in Russia several times.

I preferred UCL to Oxford as I have confidence in the excellent legacy of SSEES and because I could take courses in economics and politics, which will complement the career I hope to have within the financial services sector – operating either in Russia, Asia, London or New York – after I graduate.

London is for me the only conceivable place to complete an excellent degree. The standard of the education is what one would expect from the country's capital and the resources available are diverse and easily accessible. I think that London suits independent people who like to manage a busy lifestyle alongside an academic one.”

Polish and East European Studies BA

UCAS: R784 • 4 years

A levels: AAB-ABB. No specific subjects. A pass in a further subject at **AS level** or equivalent is required. Standard **GCSE** offer (see page 30), except English Language and a foreign language at grade B.

IB Diploma: 34-36 points. A score of 16-17 points in three higher level subjects, with no score lower than 5.

Other qualifications: see online Prospectus entry.

Poland, with nearly 39 million citizens, is an increasingly important actor on the world economic and political stage. This programme offers the opportunity to gain excellent language skills and a profound knowledge of Polish literature, history and culture that will prepare you for a wide variety of careers in Europe.

Compulsory language courses in years one, two and four are tailored to your existing knowledge (whether you are starting from scratch or already have a good command of the language). In addition to this you will take a compulsory literature or culture course, and optional courses from a wide range, in each of these years. Your third year is spent abroad. Normally you spend this year studying at a university in your chosen country, but alternatives, such as work placements, may be possible.

Romanian and East European Studies BA

UCAS: R785 • 4 years

A levels: AAB-ABB. No specific subjects. A pass in a further subject at **AS level** or equivalent is required. Standard **GCSE** offer (see page 30), except English Language and a foreign language at grade B.

IB Diploma: 34-36 points. A score of 16-17 points in three higher level subjects, with no score lower than 5.

Other qualifications: see online Prospectus entry.

Romanian is a Romance language spoken not only in Romania, but also in the Republic of Moldova, and in parts of the former Yugoslavia and Hungary. This programme offers the opportunity to gain excellent language skills and knowledge of Romanian literature, history and culture, preparing you for a wide variety of careers.

Compulsory language courses in years one, two and four are tailored to your existing knowledge (whether you are starting from scratch or already have a good command of the language). In addition to this you will take a compulsory literature or culture course, and optional courses from a wide range, in each of these years. Your third year is spent abroad. Normally you spend this year studying at a university in your chosen country, but alternatives, such as work placements, may be possible.



Serbian/Croatian and East European Studies BA

UCAS: R786 • 4 years

A levels: AAB-ABB. No specific subjects. A pass in a further subject at **AS level** or equivalent is required. Standard **GCSE** offer (see page 30), except English Language and a foreign language at grade B.

IB Diploma: 34-36 points. A score of 16-17 points in three higher level subjects, with no score lower than 5.

Other qualifications:
see online Prospectus entry.

Serbian/Croatian is a Slavonic language spoken by some 20 million native speakers. This programme offers the opportunity to gain excellent language skills and a profound knowledge of Serbian/Croatian literature, history and culture that will prepare you for a wide variety of careers in Europe. Compulsory language courses in years one, two and four are tailored to your existing knowledge (whether you are starting from scratch or already have a good command of the language). In addition to this you will take a compulsory literature or culture course, and optional courses from a wide range, in each of these years. Your third year is spent abroad. Normally you spend this year studying at a university in your chosen country, but alternatives, such as work placements, may be possible.

Slovak (with Czech) and East European Studies BA

UCAS: R787 • 4 years

A levels: AAB-ABB. No specific subjects. A pass in a further subject at **AS level** or equivalent is required. Standard **GCSE** offer (see page 30), except English Language and a foreign language at grade B.

IB Diploma: 34-36 points. A score of 16-17 points in three higher level subjects, with no score lower than 5.

Other qualifications:
see online Prospectus entry.

Slovak is a Western Slavonic language, largely mutually comprehensible with Czech, spoken by approximately five million people. This programme offers the opportunity to gain excellent language skills and a profound knowledge of Slovak literature, history and culture that will prepare you for a wide variety of careers in Europe.

Compulsory language courses in years one, two and four are tailored to your existing knowledge (whether you are starting from scratch or already have a good command of the language). In addition to this you will take a compulsory literature or culture course, and optional courses from a wide range, in each of these years. Your third year is spent abroad. Normally you spend this year studying at a university in your chosen country, but alternatives, such as work placements, may be possible.

Ukrainian and East European Studies BA

UCAS: R788 • 4 years

A levels: AAB-ABB. No specific subjects. A pass in a further subject at **AS level** or equivalent is required. Standard **GCSE** offer (see page 30), except English Language and a foreign language at grade B.

IB Diploma: 34-36 points. A score of 16-17 points in three higher level subjects, with no score lower than 5.

Other qualifications:
see online Prospectus entry.

Ukraine is one of Europe's oldest and most complex countries. Its territory and history have constantly been occupied and rewritten. This programme offers the opportunity to gain excellent language skills and a profound knowledge of Ukrainian literature, history and culture that will prepare you for a wide variety of careers.

Compulsory language courses in years one, two and four are tailored to your existing knowledge (whether you are starting from scratch or already have a good command of the language). In addition to this you will take a compulsory literature or culture course, and optional courses from a wide range, in each of these years. Your third year is spent abroad. Normally you spend this year studying at a university in your chosen country, but alternatives, such as work placements, may be possible.