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Cross-Cultural Studies Experiential Learning Component: Slavic Studies

Requirement: at least ★6 from courses that include significant experiential learning components appropriate to the area of study OR in an experience abroad.

Overview of options: Study or work abroad; Community Service-Learning (CSL); Experiential learning component in a course; Arts Work Experience (AWE). **Six credits total required, in any combination.**

Option 1: Study or Work Abroad

Pursue a study abroad program or participate in an exchange. Internships abroad may also be accepted. Common examples: e3 programs, MITACS. Explore opportunities on [our website](#) and through [University of Alberta International \(UAI\)](#).

Option 2: [Community Service-Learning \(CSL\)](#)

Enrol in a course that incorporates Community Service-Learning. CSL options offer insight into what cultural literacy skills offer to our city, whether working with shelters, activist groups, or non-profits such as CJSR radio. You can also pursue a language-related CSL option. Many of our courses offer CSL options – check the syllabi and [our website](#).

MLCS CSL courses:

- A current list of CSL courses across departments is available on the [CSL website](#). We also offer CSL in MLCS 210 and 410

CSL courses:

- [CSL 100 and CSL 200](#) (Note: CSL 100 would fulfill the experiential learning component, but doesn't count towards your ★33+ major credits since it's not senior-level.)
- Other CSL courses outside of MLCS are subject to approval by Academic Advisor

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Option 3: Experiential learning component in a course

Take a course that incorporates a significant experiential learning component. Eligible courses within MLCS can be found on [our website](#) (the list is updated regularly). The level of what is a “significant” experiential component is defined by the department as an experiential project, assignment, field work, or CSL component resulting in 20% or more of the final grade weight. Courses outside this list are subject to approval by the Academic Advisor.

Option 4: [Arts Work Experience](#)

Engage in the Faculty of Arts Co-op program, Arts Work Experience, through which you can gain significant job experience during your studies. This program does not count as course credit towards your degree/major (these are pass/fail), but they would fulfill the experiential learning requirement. This opportunity must be approved in advance by your Academic Advisor.

- WKEXP 801 (4 months) and 802 (8 months)

Here are some common choices for Slavic Studies:

- Study abroad with us through the [MLCS L'viv Ukraine program](#)! Earn 6 credits in [Ukrainian Through Its Living Culture](#) (UKR 300 LEC 800 or UKR 400 LEC 800)
- Take SLAV 399: Early Ukrainian Canadian Culture and complete the CSL option (be sure to confirm CSL through syllabus)
- Take RUSS 304 Russian in Context II and complete the CSL option (be sure to confirm CSL through syllabus)
- Take UKR 306 Business Ukrainian or UKR 308 Advanced Ukrainian Writing Strategies and complete the CSL option (be sure to confirm CSL through syllabus)
- Look at internships, exchanges, and short term study abroad options through [UAI](#). They can take you to Poland, Russia, Ukraine, and beyond!

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Have other ideas? We want to hear them! Work with your Academic Advisor to find the opportunity that works for you and helps you reach your goals – inside and outside the classroom.

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