

EUROPEAN STUDIES MINOR

The minor in European Studies, which is administered by James Madison College, is available as an elective to students who are enrolled in bachelor's degree programs at Michigan State University. With the approval of the department and college that administer the student's degree program, the courses that are used to satisfy the requirements for the minor may also be used to satisfy the requirements for the bachelor's degree.

The minor in European Studies provides an opportunity for students to pursue a significant and coherent body of course work in the culture, history, politics, economics, and geography of Europe. Some of the courses in the minor focus on individual countries, while other courses are comparative and cross-national.

Students who elect the minor in European Studies are encouraged to complete courses that are related to Europe in partial fulfillment of the University Integrative Studies requirement.

Requirements for the Minor in European Studies

The student must meet the requirements specified below:

1. **Second Language Proficiency:** The student must demonstrate proficiency in a European language at a level equivalent to the completion of four semesters of study at the university level. The results of the MSU second language placement test will be considered in determining whether or not the student has fulfilled this requirement.
2. **European Studies Courses:** The student must complete a minimum of three courses totaling at least 12 credits selected from at least three of the following groups of courses:

Classical Studies

CLA	360	Ancient Novel in English Translation (W)	3 credits
CLA	412	Senior Seminar: Greek and Roman Religion (W)	3 credits

Economics

EC	340	Survey of International Economics	3 credits
EC	440	International Trade (W)	3 credits
EC	441	International Finance (W)	3 credits

Geography

GEO	336	Geography of Europe	3 credits
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English

ENG	205	Topics in British Literatures	3 credits
ENG	318	Readings in Shakespeare	3 credits
ENG	426	Seminar in Drama or Performance Studies	3 credits
ENG	457	Seminar in 18th-Century British Literature	3 credits
ENG	458	Seminar in 19th-Century British Literature	3 credits
ENG	460	Seminar in Global and Postcolonial Literature	3 credits

French

FRN	340	Connecting with the Literatures of the Francospheres (W)	3 credits
FRN	415	Introduction to French Studies I: Metropolitan France	3 credits
FRN	416	Introduction to French Studies II: Francophone Cultures	3 credits
FRN	425	Advanced Studies in French Language	3 credits
FRN	445	Theme-Based Seminar	3 credits
FRN	447	Genre-Based Seminar	3 credits

German

GRM	341	German Literature and Culture Before 1918	3 credits
GRM	342	German Literature and Culture since 1918	3 credits
GRM	435	18th and 19th Century German Literary Studies (W)	3 credits
GRM	445	20th Century and Contemporary German Literary Studies (W)	3 credits
GRM	455	Major Themes in German Cultural History (W)	3 credits
GRM	491	Special Topics in German Studies	1-4 credits
GRM	492	Capstone Project	1 credit

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History of Art

HA	101	Western Art from Paleolithic to Medieval Era	3 credits
HA	102	Western Art from the Renaissance to Contemporary	3 credits
HA	209	Ancient Art	3 credits
HA	210	Medieval Art	3 credits
HA	230	Renaissance and Baroque Art	3 credits
HA	240	Modern Art	3 credits
HA	401	Greek Art and Archaeology	4 credits
HA	402	Roman Art and Archaeology	4 credits
HA	410	Selected Topics in Medieval Art	4 credits
HA	430	Selected Topics in Baroque Art	4 credits
HA	446	Impressionism	4 credits
HA	450	Selected Topics in Modern Art	4 credits

History

HST	332B	Europe in the Middle Ages 1000–1300	3 credits
HST	333	Europe in Crisis 1300–1450	3 credits
HST	334A	Renaissance and Reformation Europe	3 credits
HST	334B	Seventeenth-Century Europe	3 credits
HST	335	Europe in the Age of Revolution 1700–1870	3 credits
HST	336	Europe from Bismarck to Brexit	3 credits
HST	337	European Power, Culture, and Thought: Renaissance to Enlightenment	4 credits
HST	338	European Power, Culture and Thought: The Modern Era	4 credits
HST	340	England and Its Culture to 1688	3 credits
HST	341	Modern Britain since 1688	3 credits
HST	347	Modern France	3 credits
HST	348	Modern Germany	3 credits
HST	390	History of International Relations	3 credits
HST	392	History of the Holocaust	3 credits
HST	412	Women in Modern European History	3 credits
HST	414	World War II: Causes, Conduct and Consequences	3 credits
HST	415	The First World War	3 credits
HST	452	Special Topics in European History	3 credits
HST	482	Seminar in Medieval History (W)	3 credits
HST	483	Seminar in Modern European History (W)	3 credits

Italian

ITL	330	Italian Culture and Civilization	3 credits
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MC	230	Cultures and Politics in Comparative Perspective	4 credits
MC	270	Classical Republicanism	4 credits
MC	271	Constitutionalism and Democracy	4 credits
MC	280	Social Theory and Social Relations	4 credits
MC	321	The Cold War: Culture, Politics and Foreign Policy	4 credits
MC	324E	Regional Politics, Cooperation, and Conflict in Europe	4 credits
MC	325	State and Society in Comparative Perspective 1	4 credits
MC	329	European Security: Challenges and Strategies	4 credits
MC	331	Encounters with Post-Communism	4 credits
MC	370	Radical Challenges to Liberal Democracy	4 credits
MC	371	Beyond Liberal Democracy? New Directions in Political Theory	4 credits
MC	386	Women and Power in Comparative Perspective 1	4 credits
MC	387	Jews and Anti-Semitism 2	4 credits
MC	388	Sexual Politics: Historical and Contemporary Perspectives 1	4 credits
MC	390	Advanced Topics in Public Affairs 1	4 credits
MC	492	Senior Seminar in International Relations (W) 1	5 credits
MC	493	Senior Seminar in Comparative Cultures and Politics (W) 1	5 credits
MC	497	Senior Seminar in Political Theory & Constitutional Democracy (W) 1	5 credits
MC	498	Senior Seminar in Social Relations (W) 1	5 credits

Music

MUS	211	History of Western Music to 1750	3 credits
MUS	212	History of Western Music Since 1750	3 credits
MUS	420	Music of the 18th Century	2 credits
MUS	421	Music of the 19th Century	2 credits
MUS	422	Music of the 20th Century	2 credits
MUS	423	History of Opera	2 credits

Philosophy

PHL	210	Ancient Greek Philosophy	3 credits
PHL	211	Modern Philosophy	3 credits
PHL	220	Existentialism	3 credits
PHL	357	Philosophy of Karl Marx	3 credits
PHL	411	Aristotle Seminar	4 credits
PHL	413	Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy	4 credits
PHL	416	Hegel Seminar	4 credits
PHL	417	Seminar in 19th Century Philosophy	4 credits
PHL	421	Topics in European and Continental Philosophy	3 credits

Political Science

PLS	342	Comparative Political Economy 1	3 credits
PLS	356	Politics of Europe and the European Union	3 credits
PLS	372	Modern Political Philosophy	3 credits
PLS	422	Seminar in Political Science (W)	4 credits

Portuguese

PRT	350	Introduction to Literary Analysis (W)	3 credits
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Religious Studies

REL	275	Magic and Mysticism: An Introduction to Esoteric Religion	3 credits
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Spanish

SPN	320	Cultural Readings and Composition (W)	3 credits
SPN	412	Topics in Hispanic Culture	3 credits
SPN	462	Topics in Spanish Literature	3 credits
SPN	491	Special Topics in Spanish	3 credits

3. Supervised Research Paper: The student must complete one of the following four options:

- Independent Study. A research paper on a topic related to Europe completed while enrolled in an independent study course of at least 3 credits.
- Overseas Study. A research paper completed while enrolled in a MSU overseas study program in Europe totaling at least 3 credits.
- Internship. A research paper on a topic related to Europe completed while enrolled in a field experience or internship course of at least 3 credits.
- Capstone Course. A research paper on a topic related to Europe that is completed while enrolled in a capstone course of at least 3 credits.

1 To be continued toward the requirements for the Minor in European Studies, the content of this course must be specifically related to or focused on European Studies.

2 A student may receive credit for only one of the following courses, and only one of those courses may be used to satisfy the requirements for the Minor in European Studies: HST 392 or MC 387.

EUROPEAN STUDIES MINOR CHECKLIST

This is a checklist for students in the European Studies minor who began in European Studies Fall 2018 or after. It may help students visualize how the various parts of the curriculum fit together.

I. Second Language Proficiency: Must demonstrate proficiency in a European language at a level equivalent to the completion of four semesters of study at the university level. Results of the MSU second language placement test may determine if a student has fulfilled this requirement. A fourth semester course in a European second language will also complete this requirement.

II. European Studies Courses: Must complete a minimum of three courses totaling at least 12 credits selected from at least three of the following groups of courses:

Classical Studies

CLA 360 _____
CLA 412 _____

Economics

EC 340 _____
EC 440 _____
EC 441 _____

English

ENG 205 _____
ENG 318 _____
ENG 426 _____
ENG 457 _____
ENG 458 _____
ENG 460 _____

French

FRN 340 _____
FRN 415 _____
FRN 416 _____
FRN 425 _____
FRN 445 _____
FRN 447 _____

Geography

GEO 336 _____

German

GRM 341 _____
GRM 342 _____
GRM 435 _____
GRM 445 _____
GRM 455 _____
GRM 491 _____
GRM 492 _____

History

HST 332B _____
HST 333 _____
HST 334A _____
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HST 338 _____
HST 340 _____
HST 341 _____
HST 347 _____
HST 348 _____
HST 390 _____
HST 392 _____
HST 412 _____
HST 414 _____
HST 415 _____
HST 452 _____
HST 482 _____
HST 483 _____

History of Art

HA 101 _____
HA 102 _____
HA 209 _____
HA 210 _____
HA 230 _____
HA 240 _____
HA 401 _____
HA 402 _____
HA 410 _____
HA 430 _____
HA 446 _____
HA 450 _____

Italian

ITL 330 _____

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MC 230 _____
MC 270 _____
MC 271 _____
MC 280 _____
MC 321 _____
MC 324E _____
MC 325 _____
MC 329 _____
MC 331 _____
MC 370 _____
MC 371 _____
MC 386 _____
MC 387 _____
MC 388 _____
MC 390* _____
MC 492 _____
MC 493 _____
MC 497 _____
MC 498 _____

Philosophy

PHL 210 _____
PHL 211 _____
PHL 220 _____
PHL 357 _____
PHL 411 _____
PHL 413 _____
PHL 416 _____
PHL 417 _____
PHL 421 _____

Political Science

PLS 342 _____
PLS 356 _____
PLS 372 _____
PLS 422 _____

Portuguese

PRT 350 _____

Music

MUS 211 _____
MUS 212 _____
MUS 420 _____
MUS 421 _____
MUS 422 _____
MUS 423 _____

Religious Studies

REL 275 _____

Spanish

SPN 320 _____
SPN 412 _____
SPN 462 _____
SPN 491 _____

III. Supervised Research Paper: One of the following four options for at least 3 credits:

Independent Study _____ Overseas Study _____ Internship _____ Capstone Course _____

*Must have a European Focus