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University of Colorado *at Boulder*



Germanic and Slavic Languages and Literatures

As a department of foreign languages, literatures, and cultural studies, we prepare students for life and careers in an increasingly global world. Our German, Russian, and Nordic Studies programs enable students to combine language training with interdisciplinary study of the regions in which their language is spoken. Russian and Hebrew—also offered by our department—are languages of considerable relevance to 21st century geopolitics, while German continues to be important in light of Germany's status as Europe's largest economy. The cultural legacies of the Germanic and Slavic countries continue to shape fields such as literature, art, music, film, philosophy, and political science.

Your gift will support our efforts to prepare today's students for tomorrow's world. In the spirit of the University of Colorado's strategic goal of becoming a global crossroads, you can enhance the study of these vital cultures by donating toward a graduate research fellowship, a visiting speaker fund, or study abroad programs.

Study Abroad: Bringing CU-Boulder to the World

"My desire to learn more about Russia grows because of the impact this program had on me," says Catherine Huston of Professor Artemi Romanov's study abroad course in St. Petersburg. "I improved my Russian skills and learned about Russian culture firsthand."

Every student should have the opportunity to study abroad during his or her undergraduate studies—and in foreign language study, exploring the cultures is not only an inspiration, but an essential educational component. But today, only one-fourth of CU-Boulder freshmen will study abroad during their undergraduate years. One factor is expense: an academic year abroad costs over \$30,000, and summer study abroad programs run between \$5,000 and \$10,000.

You can help a student experience the personal and professional enrichment of foreign study by contributing to one of these scholarship funds:

- The Cliff Hall Memorial Scholarship supports study in Regensburg, Germany
- The Gunnél Thorsin-Hamm Scholarship supports study in Sweden
- The George Scherer Travel Award funds graduate research and conference travel

We aim to establish endowed scholarships for study abroad in Russia and for new study abroad programs in Berlin and Iceland. Your gift can help.



Saskia Hintz,
senior instructor of German

Our innovative offerings include:

- Five-year concurrent German BA/MA degree track
- Dual German MA/MBA
- Certificate program in German for Engineers
- Major track for heritage speakers of Russian
- Internships with social service organizations, businesses, schools, and libraries
- Study abroad programs in Germany, Russia, Iceland, and Sweden

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CU-Boulder students on a Study Abroad excursion in St. Petersburg, Russia



Visiting Speakers: Bringing the World to CU-Boulder

Imagine a CU-Boulder student attending a reading by a prominent German author, chatting with a Russian filmmaker, or discussing politics with the Norwegian ambassador to the U.S. Every year our faculty members make experiences such as these happen by inviting writers, artists, scholars, filmmakers, and politicians to campus to share their work with the CU-Boulder community. Our invited speakers visit classes and give lectures open to the public. Their visits are made possible in part by generous contributions from our donors. Help us bring the world to CU-Boulder by sponsoring a visiting speaker or donating to our visiting speaker fund.

To learn about the many ways you can make a gift:

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Graduate Fellowships: Preparing Tomorrow's Leaders

Graduate study ensures that tomorrow's teachers, professors, business leaders, researchers, and diplomats will have the advanced language and cultural skills needed to thrive in an increasingly global environment. The Rocky Mountain Region has growing business and cultural connections with Germany and Russia. Our innovative graduate programs give students the advanced interdisciplinary training they need to succeed in a variety of professions that require in-depth knowledge of Germanic and Slavic languages and cultures. By contributing to a graduate fellowship, you can help us maintain and expand our thriving graduate programs.

Other Opportunities to Give

Help us foster student and faculty excellence by contributing to a student essay prize, a graduating senior award, or a faculty teaching or research award. For other opportunities to give, visit our web site at gssl.colorado.edu, or contact us at 303-492-7404 or gssl@colorado.edu.



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"My family was involved in the German Program in its early years, when my great-aunt Grace was department chair. It is an honor to support the program nearly 100 years later as it continues CU-Boulder's tradition of excellence. Every donation, large or small, helps prepare tomorrow's leaders to succeed in a global landscape."

Tom Baur '69, donor
