**Curriculum (120 credits)**

***Core Theory (19 credits)***

1. Intro into Comparative Politics: Comparative Political Institutions (3 credits)

2. Postcommunist Politics and Society (4 credits)

3. Public Choice and Public Policy (4 credits)

4. Media in Contemporary Politics and Society (4 credits)

***Methods (11 credits)***

1. Research Methods in PolSci I (quantitative) (3 credits)

2. Research Methods in PolSci II (qualitative) (3 credits)

3. Computational Text Analysis *or* Social Network Analysis (5 credits)

***Electives (minimum 38 credits)***

1. Political Economy of Post-communist Transformation (5 credits)

2. Russia in World Politics (5 credits)

3. Russia’s Electoral Politics: Comparative Perspective (5 credits)

4. Nations and Nationalism in USSR and Russia (5 credits)

5. Russia’s Civil Society: Comparative Perspective (4 credits)

6. Conflict in the EU-Russia Relationship) (4 credits)

7. East Asia: Politics and Society (4 credits)

8. Post-Soviet Central Asia: Politics and Society (3 credits) 9. Russia in Arctic Region (3 credits)

10. Computational Text Analysis (3 credits)\*

11. Social Network Analysis (3 credits) \*

***Research and Practice (52 credits)***

1. Research/dissertation seminar (16 credits)
2. Internship (12 credits)
3. Master Dissertation (24 credits)

***Optional***\*\*

Russian language (5 credits)