

# POLISH STUDIES

LUC.EDU/CAS

Loyola University Chicago's College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) offers undergraduates a comprehensive liberal arts education that introduces them to various disciplines and viewpoints in the natural sciences, social sciences, and humanities. CAS students develop valuable career and life skills, including critical thinking, strong verbal and writing abilities, comprehensive general knowledge, social awareness, and research competencies. As the largest of Loyola's 10 schools, CAS has extensive resources, providing students with modern labs and electronic classrooms, opportunities to participate actively in research, and a distinguished faculty of teacher-scholars.

Recent growth and renovation at both Loyola's Lake Shore and Water Tower Campuses have enhanced living and learning for students. Recent additions to the Lake Shore Campus include the Norville Center for Intercollegiate Athletics, a state-of-the-art facility that includes a new strength and conditioning center, a sports medicine facility, student athlete activity spaces, and offices for athletics administrators. Future enhancements include a new student union and academic building, among others.

For more information about what's new at Loyola, visit

» [LUC.edu/undergrad/whatsnew](https://luc.edu/undergrad/whatsnew).



*Picturesque Lake Shore Campus, situated on the shore of Lake Michigan and located on Chicago's North Side, is home to more than 3,400 undergraduate resident students.*

## THE MINOR

Poland has great historical prominence in European history and in global politics. Its people have made enormous contributions in the fields of art, history, philosophy, and linguistics. The establishment and growing preeminence of the European Union as a major cultural, social, economic, and political entity has resulted in an increased focus on this critical part of the world. Chicago is home to the largest population of Polish Americans in the United States, and the demand for university course offerings in Polish culture is very high.

Loyola's Polish studies minor is an interdisciplinary program that includes a comprehensive range of courses designed to provide students with an enriched and valuable learning experience. This minor appeals to the growing number of Loyola students who come from Polish and Eastern/Central European backgrounds, and those interested in studying this particular culture. The curriculum consists of courses in Polish language and literature, with additional course offerings in related history, political science, economics, sociology, philosophy, theology, and international studies.

## Requirements

Students with a minor in Polish studies must complete a total of six courses (18 credit hours). Required courses include five electives and a capstone course, Polish Studies (POST) 395. No more than four courses may be taken in the same department.

CONTINUED



## Requirements [continued]

Students should focus their studies on areas that best complement their major: languages and literatures, history and political science, or philosophy and theology. Only three courses from the minor may be applied toward another major or minor.

## Language Requirement

A minimum of two courses (six credit hours) must be in the study of the Polish language. These courses may be at any level and can include Polish (POLS) 101–102, 103–104, or 250–251. Students must be assessed by a Polish specialist in the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures in order to guarantee placement in the appropriate course level.

## Capstone Course

Students must complete POST 395, Polish Studies Capstone\*, during their junior or senior year. The course complements the minor program with an integrated service-learning component. Students focus on a specific issue or theme in Polish studies and complete a research project that integrates the minor with their major field. Additionally, the course contains a service-learning project of the student's choosing that takes place in one of various institutions and organizations in Chicago's Polish American community, including the Polish Museum and Library; Polish National Alliance; Polish Radio; Chopin Theatre; Polish Film Festival; Paderewski Symphony Orchestra; Polish American Association; Polskie Radio; and LIRA Ensemble, Loyola's Artist-in-Residence.

## Course Offerings

### ECONOMICS (ECON)

**ECON 323** International Economics

### HISTORY (HIST)

**HIST 300** History of Poland  
**HIST 300** Eastern Europe, 1920–Present  
**HIST 300** History of European Nationalism  
**HIST 300** History of European Communism  
**HIST 304** The Holocaust and Twentieth Century Genocide  
**HIST 317** The Age of Absolutism and Enlightenment  
**HIST 326** The Second World War  
**HIST 327** Contemporary Europe, 1945–Present  
**HIST 433** Modern European Nations

### INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

**INTS 102** Introduction to International Studies

### LITERATURE IN TRANSLATION (LITR)

**LITR 221** Polish Authors (variable topics course)  
 • Women in Polish Culture  
**LITR 280** International Masterpieces: Polish Masterpieces (variable topics course)  
**LITR 280** Polish Short Stories

**LITR 281** International Novel: Polish Prose (variable topics course)  
 • Joseph Conrad and National Identity  
 • Post War Polish Prose  
**LITR 282** International Drama: Polish Drama (variable topics course)  
**LITR 284** International Film: Polish Film (variable topics course)  
 • Contemporary Polish Film  
 • Polish Literature in Film  
 • The Cinema of Roman Polanski  
 • Women in Polish Film

### PHILOSOPHY (PHIL)

**PHIL 360** Contemporary European Philosophy  
**PHIL 375** Philosophy of Marxism

### POLISH LANGUAGE (POLS)

**POLS 101** Polish I  
**POLS 102** Polish II  
**POLS 103** Polish III  
**POLS 104** Polish IV  
**POLS 250** Polish Composition and Conversation I  
**POLS 251** Polish Composition and Conversation II

### POLISH STUDIES (POST)

**POST 199** Topics in Polish Studies: Introduction  
**POST 299** Topics in Polish Studies: Intermediate  
**POST 395** Polish Studies Capstone\* (Polish National Alliance, Polish Museum and Library)  
**POST 399** Topics in Polish Studies: Advanced

### POLITICAL SCIENCE (PLSC)

**PLSC 300** Poland and the European Union  
**PLSC 347** The European Union  
**PLSC 349** Eastern European Politics

### THEOLOGY (THEO)

**THEO 105** The Church in the World: Vatican II and John Paul II

\* Required course

## CONTACT US

**Loyola University Chicago** | Undergraduate Admission Office  
 1032 W. Sheridan Road | Chicago, IL 60660  
**P** 800.262.2373 **E** admission@luc.edu **W** LUC.edu/undergrad

### Department of Modern Languages and Literatures

Wiley Feinstein, *chairperson*; Bozena Nowicka McLees, *director of Interdisciplinary Polish Studies*  
 1032 W. Sheridan Road | Chicago, IL 60660  
**P** 773.508.2850 **E** bmclees@luc.edu **W** LUC.edu/polishstudies



Information in this brochure is correct as of July 2011.

For the most up-to-date information, visit [LUC.edu/undergrad/academics](http://LUC.edu/undergrad/academics)

Loyola is an equal opportunity educator/employer.

Preparing people to lead extraordinary lives