

# EXPLORATION SEMINAR 2012, Aug. 23-Sept. 15

## Russian Talk: Communication, Culture, & Health in Sochi, Russia



**Program Fee: \$3,100; 5 credits**


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**INFORMATION SESSIONS:** in Smith Hall M261  
**When:** 1/26 at 3:00-4:00; 2/7 at 4:00-5:00



Stretched along the Black Sea at the foot of Caucasus and enjoying sub-tropical climate, Sochi has been a **national health & recreation center** since early Soviet times. Great demographic and ethnic diversity (104 ethnic groups) makes Sochi an ideal place for studying **cross-cultural differences and similarities in verbal and non-verbal communication & social interaction.**



The Sochi Exploration interdisciplinary seminar offers rich international educational and research experience for students from a variety of disciplines: **political science, business, ecology, sociolinguistics, history, anthropology, psychology, social work, nursing, medicine, public health, and communication.**



For students of Russian: **Learn Russian while using it for research!**

**WE WILL STUDY DISCOURSE THEORY AND COLLECT DATA recording Russians talking to each other** (doctor—patient, teacher—student). We will **EXPLORE** and analyze Russian communicative practices and their place in Russian culture and society. Students with no or limited Russian speaking ability will be assisted by interns from a local university.



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