An Intercultural Introduction to Kazakhstan (1 cr.)  
Spring 2019 Seminar for Advanced Students of Russian  
Day and time TBD, based on students’ schedules  

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The Russian Flagship Program is pleased to announce a 1-credit seminar in Spring 2019 for advanced students of Russian who are preparing for overseas study in Kazakhstan. The seminar, An Intercultural Introduction to Kazakhstan, will be taught primarily in Russian. Students enrolled in Fourth Year Russian or above may register.

The seminar is required for Russian Flagship students who are applying to participate in the Russian Overseas Flagship Program in 2019-20. These “pre-capstone” Russian Flagship students may enroll in the seminar instead of participating in group Russian Flagship tutoring.

The seminar will meet for one 50-minute class hour each week. Students in the seminar should plan to devote an additional 1-2 hours per week to the course to complete readings or other assignments, participate in online activities, and prepare for discussions.

The seminar is designed to provide students with an introduction to Kazakhstan from an intercultural perspective, with an emphasis on raising students’ awareness of the relationship between diverse cultural practices and the beliefs, values, and perspectives that may underlie those practices. The seminar will be based on:

- a series of online modules on the history and cultures of Kazakhstan;
- an online intercultural exchange with students at Nazarbayev University in Astana, Kazakhstan;
- lessons based on online cultural scenarios in overseas classroom and homestay contexts.

The seminar will be taught by Dr. Gulnara Glowacki, a Senior Lecturer in the Department of German, Nordic, and Slavic with extensive experience teaching Kazakh and Russian, both in Kazakhstan and in the United States.

To register: Send an email message to request permission to enroll in Slavic 699 for 1 credit with Gulnara Glowacki to: Dr. Glowacki (gglowacki@wisc.edu) and Mr. Mark Mears (mkmears@wisc.edu) in the Department of German, Nordic, and Slavic.