

1. Foreign language classes cannot count towards the unit requirement.
2. Students may not count more than six credit hours of independent studies or internships toward their thirty-three credit hours of coursework.

MA Comprehensive Exam or Thesis

Semester taken or anticipated _____

Students may choose to take the comprehensive exam or write a thesis. Students should be advised that the thesis often takes much longer, than anticipated. Thus, the comprehensive exam option is usually the better choice for students without a clear and compelling reason to write a thesis.

The comprehensive exam cannot be taken until the final semester in which all the course requirements will be completed. The exam is offered in November and April. A guide to the MA comprehensives is available online.

Master’s, Education Specialist, and Pre-candidacy Doctoral Students.

Students who have completed all course work but are working during a given semester to complete other outstanding degree requirements (e.g. comprehensive examination, thesis, removal of an I or II grade) or wish to use University facilities and/or consult with faculty must be registered for at least one credit during that semester. Graduate students must be registered for at least one credit hour in the semester in which they graduate. GRAD 999 or the program equivalent may be used to fulfill this requirement. Registration for GRAD 999 or the required program equivalent is subject to the normal fees and regulations of the University.

Date Updated

Adviser’s Signature
