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M.A. in Modern Languages **Description**

The Department of Modern Languages offers the M.A. in modern languages with emphases in French, German, linguistics, Spanish, and teaching English to speakers of other languages (TESOL).

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 36

Course Requirements

Students must satisfy the requirements for either the emphasis in French, German, Spanish, or TESOL.

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An M.A. in Modern Languages with a specialization in French gives graduates a high proficiency in communicative skills and a deep awareness of cultures in the French-speaking world. The degree prepares students for a teaching career at a variety of levels as well as doctoral work in the discipline.

Course Requirements

M.A. students with a specialization in French must successfully complete Fr 672. Course Requirements: Three options are available. (1) The first option requires 36 hours of graduate-level coursework in French. (2) The second option requires a minimum of 24 hours of graduate-level work in French plus 6-12 hours in a subfield, subject to approval of the department. (3) The third option requires a minimum of 24 hours of graduate-level coursework in French plus 6-12 hours of credit for writing a thesis (Fr 697). Please note: Under extraordinary circumstances, a candidate may petition the French faculty to allow both a subfield and a thesis, provided s/he can make a compelling argument as to why this is necessary.

Other Academic Requirements

Students must maintain a B average in their course work or be subjected to probation and/or expulsion from the program. Students must either pass a written comprehensive exam based on course work and the M.A. reading list or submit a thesis. Both the written exam and the thesis contain an oral component, during which the student clarifies or amplifies answers on the written component. Students opting to write a thesis must consult with members of his or her committee to discuss which items from the M.A. reading list will also be discussed at the oral thesis defense.

