

French MA Course of Study

Degree Title: World Languages & Cultures MA – French Specialization

Total hours: 30 graduate credits (10 courses minimum)

Grade required: MA courses require a minimum grade of B

Entrance Requirements

A Bachelor's degree in French literature and culture, or a strong undergraduate record in Humanities if the Bachelor's degree was obtained in another academic subject. Liberal Education courses covering prominent works of literature and philosophy will strengthen an applicant's eligibility.

Required Courses:

	I. WLC 6600: Introduction to Research and Bibliography (first fall) WLC 6410: L2 Methodology for students with a TA-ship (first fall)
	II. One (1) of the following Literary Theory and Criticism courses: CLCS 6760: Literary Theory and Criticism: Antiquity to Early Modern CLCS 6761: Literary Theory and Criticism: Romanticism to Early 20th Century CLCS 6762: Literary Theory and Criticism: Contemporary
	III. A minimum of seven (7) graduate courses in FRNCH or CLCS _____ _____ _____
	IV. Language Proficiency The program does not require an additional foreign language beyond French but does strongly encourage students to take advantage of departmental offerings to advance proficiency in an additional foreign language.

Completing your MA degree

Candidates will take a comprehensive oral examination. Students will create a list of ten substantial works that they will read over the summer and the year. We encourage them to read things they have not studied with us, things that they have always wanted to read but have not had a chance to read, or things that are particular, unique, marginal and would not therefore turn up in a syllabus. Given their future directions, they might do well to use this exam to build a base of texts for further graduate work or teaching.

They will be asked to choose one excerpt that they will identify for us at least two weeks before the exam date.

During the exam they will present a close reading and explanation of the text they have chosen. They will link that excerpt and text to other texts on their list and other texts they have studied with us in their seminars.

Exam time is 1 hour.