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Degree Conferred:
M.A. (FREN, GERM, SPAN)

Areas of Concentration: French, German, and Spanish. Supporting courses are offered in Greek and Latin.

Primary Areas of Faculty Research: Please refer to the Department of World Languages, Literatures, and Cultures Web site for detailed information on faculty members and their areas of expertise.

Prerequisites to Degree Program: The student must have a B.A. degree or equivalent from an accredited institution with suitable preparation in the chosen foreign language and be accepted by the department. Deficiencies in undergraduate major or prerequisites for advanced courses may be included in the student's program.

Master of Arts Degree in German
The Master of Arts degree in German offers course work related to the greater German-speaking world, including Germany, Austria, and Switzerland. The program offers a traditional, canon-centered degree in literary history. Students concentrate primarily on courses investigating literary epochs and particular genres and take occasional courses in cultural studies; all courses are focused on literary analysis and research. Graduates of the program generally continue study at the doctoral level at other institutions or complete alternative licensure or the M.A.T. to teach at the secondary level. Doctoral training in cultural studies and translation is also offered in conjunction with the Comparative Literature and Cultural Studies Program.

Requirements for the Master of Arts Degree in German: Aside from deficiencies, a minimum of 36 semester hours of course work is required for the degree. Each candidate must pass a comprehensive examination covering course work and a reading list. Upon admission to this program the candidate will be assigned an adviser who, in consultation with the candidate, will design a suitable program for the candidate. The adviser, in consultation with other members of the department, will select an examination committee for the comprehensive written and oral examinations. Detailed program descriptions, including reading lists and examination procedures, are available from the department.

Master of Arts Degree in French
This degree program offers course work related to the literary and cultural histories of the greater Francophone world, focusing on France. The program provides advanced preparation in literary analysis and research and offers training for teaching French at the college level, including the most recent technological techniques in teaching foreign languages. French graduates receive a solid preparation to pursue a Ph.D. or to teach at the college or secondary levels. Our comprehensive curriculum enables students to pursue careers in education, government, international organizations and other business opportunities either abroad or within the United States. In conjunction with the Comparative Literature and Cultural Studies program (CLCS), the program contributes to the Master's and Ph.D. programs for students working in either Francophone literature, translation, French literature or French cultural studies.

Requirements for the Master of Arts Degree in French: Aside from deficiencies, a minimum of 36 semester hours is required for the degree. MA candidates will submit a list of their course work to the graduate adviser before taking the comprehensive exam, which is comprised of written and oral components. The content of the MA exam covers course work and the reading list. All course selections must be approved by the graduate adviser.
Master of Arts Degree in Spanish

The Master of Arts degree in Spanish offers course work related to the literary and cultural histories of the greater Hispanic world, including Spain, Latin America and U.S. Latino/a literature. The program provides advanced preparation in literary analysis and research and offers training for teaching Spanish at the college level. Spanish program graduates receive a solid preparation to pursue a Ph.D. or to teach at the college or secondary levels. Its comprehensive curriculum also provides a sound base for a career in education, government, international organizations, or the social services. In conjunction with the Comparative Literature and Cultural Studies Program, the program offers doctoral training in interdisciplinary Hispanic studies, cultural studies, and translation.

Requirements for the Master of Arts Degree in Spanish: Aside from deficiencies, a minimum of 36 hours of graduate course work is required for the degree. All students must take a research seminar (SPAN 5703) and present a research paper meeting professional research methods and standards. Each candidate must pass a comprehensive examination covering course work and reading lists on five historical periods of the Hispanic world, including two periods from each tradition (Latin American and Spain) and at least two periods before 1900. The periods of concentration are Colonial, 19th century, 20th century, and U.S. Latino/a for Latin America, and Medieval, Golden Age, 19th century, and 20th century for Spain. Upon admission to this program, the candidate will be assigned an adviser who, in consultation with the candidate, will design a suitable program for the candidate. The adviser, in consultation with other members of the department, will select an examination committee for the comprehensive oral and written examinations. Detailed program descriptions, including reading lists and examination procedures are available from the department.