

PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY
Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures

MASTER OF ARTS IN FOREIGN LANGUAGE

M.A. in F.L.L. (Foreign Literature & Language)

The M.A. in Foreign Literature and Language is a graduate degree with concentration in a primary, a secondary language, and linguistics. The primary language may be French, German, Japanese or Spanish; the secondary language may be Chinese, French, German, Japanese, Russian, or Spanish.

Admission to the Program - Applicants for admission must meet the University admission requirements, as well as the following additional requirements:

- In the primary language:
 - Bachelor of Arts in the language with a 3.00 GPA in the literature courses, or its equivalent as determined by the Department.
 - Oral and written proficiency: Advanced High on ACTFL scale.
- In the secondary language: Demonstration of third-year proficiency.

Degree Requirements - A candidate for the M.A. in F.L.L. must:

- A minimum of 60 credits, of which 40 must be earned in residence distributed among the following areas:

PRIMARY LANGUAGE		
Principles of Scholarly Research 560	4	
Eight credits chosen from courses numbered 551, 552, 553	8	
Other adviser-approved courses on the 500-level	16	
SUB-TOTAL	28	
SECONDARY LANGUAGE		
Phonetics 325	4	
Advanced Language 511 and 512 or SPAN 514	8	
Eight graduate credits chosen from: 500-level literature courses (not to include Literature in Translation) and/or Linguistics 594, 595 and/or Stylistics 584	8	
SUB-TOTAL	20	
<i>Note: If upper-division courses in Phonetics and/or fourth-year language have been successfully completed at the undergraduate level (with a GPA of 3.00 or above), they can be waived, reducing the total credits required by a maximum of 12.</i>		
LINGUISTICS & METHODS		
12 graduate credits chosen from:	12	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li style="width: 33%;">• FL 593 Language Proficiency Testing and Teaching <li style="width: 33%;">• FR 597 Applied French Linguistics <li style="width: 33%;">• Other adviser-approved courses <li style="width: 33%;">• FL 598 Methods of Teaching Foreign Languages <li style="width: 33%;">• Ger 597 Applied German Linguistics <li style="width: 33%;">• Span 597 Applied Spanish Linguistics <li style="width: 33%;">• FR 594 French Linguistics <li style="width: 33%;">• Ger 594 German Linguistics <li style="width: 33%;">• Span 594 Spanish Linguistics 		
TOTAL		60

- In addition to the required coursework the candidate will have to:
 - Submit two research papers to the graduate committee, one dealing with the primary, the other with the secondary area. These may be written either in the primary or secondary languages, respectively, or in English.
 - Be rated in oral and written proficiency in the secondary language only. Minimum proficiency level for French, German, and Spanish: Advanced. For Chinese, Japanese and Russian: Intermediate High.
 - Pass a final comprehensive written and oral examination over coursework taken in the primary and secondary areas and over the research papers.