

**Overview** 

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The academic regulations for this degree program, as entered in the University of Mississippi Catalog, are in effect for the current or selected academic year and semester. The University of Mississippi reserves the right to 1) change or withdraw courses; 2) change rules for registration, instruction, and graduation; and 3) change other regulations affecting the student body at any time.

Major Requirements		
REQUIREMENT	HOURS	DESCRIPTION
24 hrs course work	24	Student must complete at least 24 hours of graduate-level course work as approved by his/her GPC/Chair.
Exit questionnaire		Student must complete the exit questionnaire.
Pass written exam		Student must pass the written M.A. comprehensive examination.
GPA requirements		A cumulative average of not less than 3.0 (B) must be achieved in all graduate work taken.
Liberal Arts Dean's approval		This Degree Audit program is an advising tool only. The student must still apply for a degree by returning a completed Degree Application Form to the dean's office before the last day to add classes in the semester preceding the semester in which the stuent expects to graduate. The Dean's Office will make the final certification that the courses listed on the application qualify the student for graduation. The Dean's Office will also determine if other university requirements (GPA, etc.) have been met.

## Major Requirements II

REQUIREMENT	HOURS	DESCRIPTION
Thesis vs non-thesis		Student may elect a thesis or non-thesis option. The thesis option includes completing 6 hours of thesis credit and submitting a thesis to the student's GPC/Chair. The non-thesis option includes completing at least 12 additional hours of graduate-level course work and submitting a research paper to the student's GPC/Chair.
Add'l course work	12	For the non-thesis option, the student must complete an additional 12 hours of graduate-level course work as approved by his/her GPC/Chair.
Research paper		For the non-thesis option, the student must submit a research paper to his/her GPC/Chair.
<u>Phil 697</u>	6	For the thesis option, the student must complete at least 6 hours of thesis credit (Phil 697).
Submit Thesis		For the thesis option, the student must submit a thesis to his/her GPC/Chair. Regulations governing the style, format, paper, abstract and other matters may be found in "A Manual of Thesis and Dissertations" available in the Graduate School Office. After the oral examination has been accepted, the student must present to the Graduate School two unbound copies of the thesis. A copy of the abstract and the thesis binding fee receipt must accompany the copies of the thesis.

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