In addition to departmental requirements, candidates for graduate degrees must fulfill University requirements described in the “Graduate Education” section of the UCSB General Catalog.

A total of **36.0 units** are required for the M.A. portion of the M.A./Ph.D program. These courses must be passed with a grade of B or better. Students are expected to maintain a GPA of at least 3.0. The departmental expectation for time-to-degree for the M.A. is two years. In addition to departmental requirements, candidates must complete three quarters of Residency.

### COURSE REQUIREMENTS (36.0 unit total)

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### FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT*

The department requires candidates for advanced degrees to demonstrate reading competence in at least one foreign language. The requirement may be satisfied in one of the following ways:

- A score on a UCSB foreign language department’s undergraduate placement exam sufficient to place the student out of the sixth quarter of that department’s undergraduate language sequence (the department recommends that students unsure of their proficiency try this option first)

- A grade of B+ or higher in a sixth quarter (or higher) undergraduate foreign language course taken at UCSB

- A grade of B+ or higher in the second term of a graduate reading knowledge course at UCSB

- Passing a two-hour written translation examination administered by the department’s foreign language committee.

Language: ___________________________ Requirement satisfied on (date/quarter): ______________________
*The student must demonstrate reading competence in at least one foreign language within one calendar year after the M.A. Comprehensive exam. Depending upon the field of study, proficiency in additional languages may be required. Note on Time-to-Degree: The Department’s expectation is for students to finish their Master of Arts degree within a two-year time period. Timely completion of the M.A. is a criterion taken into account when students apply for the Ph.D. program as well as for TAships and other forms of departmental support.

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<th>M.A. COMPREHENSIVE EXAM</th>
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<td>Upon satisfying the unit requirements, the student will be eligible to take the comprehensive examination—a three-hour written exam in any of the general fields listed below.</td>
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**Examination Fields for the M.A.**
- U.S.
- Latin America (colonial period)
- Latin America (national period)
- Pre-modern East Asia
- Modern East Asia
- South Asia
- Africa
- Ancient History
- Medieval Europe
- Early Modern Europe (1450-1815)
- Modern Europe (1789-)
- Middle East (600-1700)
- Middle East (1700-present)
- History of Public Policy
- History of Science
- Comparative Gender History
- Comparative History of Race and Ethnicity
- World History

With the exceptions of History of Public Policy and History of Science, fields of examination are delineated by geographical/cultural factors and by historical periods.

Exams are set by professors in the appropriate fields, with two readers for each exam. Letter grades have the following equivalents: A+, A, A-/high pass receives MA degree and is recommended to PhD program.; B+, B/pass, receives terminal MA degree - NOT recommended for doctoral program unless unusual circumstances exist; B- and below is not passing/fail – Students who fail the exam will not receive the M.A. and will be recommended for dismissal from the program.

Students may retake the examination one time in an effort to improve the result. If student elects to retake the exam, the ENTIRE exam must be re-administered. A student must obtain approval from the Director of Graduate Study to take the exam a third time.

Comprehensive Exam passed: ____________________________

Month/Day/Year
Continuation to the Ph.D.

For recommendation to the Ph.D. program, students must achieve a grade of A- or above on the M.A. exam. The candidate must acquire a minimum of three satisfactory recommendations from professors within the department, including at least one from a professor who has supervised or reviewed the candidate's graduate seminar research paper, and a ladder faculty member must agree in writing to serve as the student's major professor. These letters must be turned in by the third week of the quarter following the awarding of the M.A.

M.A. Degree Requirements Satisfied: _______________________
Quarter/Year

Dept. Graduate Advisor Signature: ___________________________________________
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Print Name

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Residence requirement - minimum 3 quarters (verify departmental requirement)

Required units completed

Language requirement Satisfied (if required)

No grades of I, NR, or NG

3.0 or better GPA overall

Registered quarter of degree or Filing Fee LOA:

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