



University Masters Program Requirements # 380.065

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POLICY STATEMENT
<p><u>Credit Requirements</u> Programs leading to a master’s degree require at least 30 semester graduate credit hours of non-thesis work.</p> <p><u>Coursework Level</u> Masters programs normally make use of courses at the 5000 and 6000 levels. No undergraduate courses may count toward meeting the degree requirements of a master’s degree except undergraduate courses taken as part of an accelerated master’s degree program. No course counted toward a student’s undergraduate degree may be included in that student’s master’s degree program excepting those 5000 level courses specifically approved for a combined bachelor/master’s degree pathway.</p> <p><u>Examinations</u> The University has no requirement for candidacy or candidacy examinations at the master’s and specialist’s level. However, individual programs may require comprehensive oral and/or written examinations. If such requirements exist they must be specified in the catalog and the policies and procedures manuals for those programs.</p> <p><u>Thesis</u> If a thesis is required as part of a master’s program, this requirement must be clearly stated in the catalog and the policies and procedures manual for the degree program. In such cases all of the University policies and procedures governing theses shall apply including the requirement that the thesis must be defended publicly at the announced time consistent with University policies.</p>

SCOPE
Faculty, graduate students, and University Graduate School administration.



REASON FOR POLICY
This policy sets forth the University Masters program requirements for credit hours, candidacy examination and thesis defense.

DEFINITIONS	
TERM	DEFINITIONS
N/A	N/A

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
N/A

RELATED RESOURCES
N/A

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