# REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MASTER OF ARTS
## DODGE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
### THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

**Minimum Total Hours (Thesis):** 30  
**Minimum Total Hours (Non-Thesis):** 32

**Program Code:** M445

## Required Courses
### Thesis Option

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<td>FR 5980</td>
<td>Research for Master’s Thesis</td>
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**Electives**  
Choose 21 additional hours, selected in consultation with the student’s advisor and committee

**Total Credit Hours**  
30

## Non-Thesis Option

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**Electives**  
Choose 29 additional hours, selected in consultation with the student’s advisor and committee

**Total Credit Hours**  
32

## Notes

- A comprehensive exam is required for both the thesis and non-thesis options.
- A total not to exceed six graduate hours at the 4000 level is permitted as part of the major.
- Students must demonstrate reading competency in a second language. In order to do so, they may take the departmental graduate reading exam or complete two semesters or ten hours in another language.
- No more than one-half of the credits for the degree (OU, or OU and transfer combined), excluding research for the thesis (FR 5980), may be S/U graded coursework.

## General Requirements for all Master’s Degrees

The master’s degree requires the equivalent of at least two semesters of satisfactory graduate work and additional work as may be prescribed for the degree.

All coursework applied to the master’s degree must carry graduate credit.

Master’s degree programs which require a thesis consist of at least 30 credit hours. All non-thesis master’s degree programs require at least 30 credit hours.

Credit transferred from other institutions must meet specific criteria and is subject to certain limitations.

Courses completed through correspondence study may not be applied to the master’s degree.

To qualify for a graduate degree, students must achieve an overall grade point average of 3.0 or higher in the degree program coursework and in all resident graduate coursework attempted. A student must also have at least a 3.0 in all coursework (including undergraduate coursework if any).

Additional information for master’s degree students may be found in the Graduate College Bulletin.