

**REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY**  
**DODGE FAMILY COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES**  
**THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA**

Academic Year
For Students Entering the Oklahoma State System for Higher Education Summer 2024 through Spring 2025

General Requirements
Minimum Total Hours ..... 90

Program
Spanish
D850
Doctor of Philosophy

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**Program Code:** D850

For more detailed regulations and requirements for Doctoral degrees, please consult the Graduate College Bulletin: <http://www.ou.edu/gradcollege/forms/bulletin>

## Program Requirements

- The total number of hours required for the Ph.D. is ninety hours of coursework at the graduate level, including credit earned for the M.A., if applicable to the Ph.D. program.
- Before completion of the degree, students must demonstrate reading competency in a second language if they have not already done so during their MA programs. They may take the departmental Graduate Reading Exam or complete two semesters or ten hours in another language.
- A general examination based on coursework and a reading list established in consultation with the student's committee members is required for the Ph.D.

More information in the catalog: (<http://ou-public.courseleaf.com/dodge-arts-sciences/modern-languages-literatures-linguistics/spanish-doctor-philosophy/>).

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Required Courses (9 hours)</b>		
SPAN 5713	History of the Spanish Language	3
MLLL 5063	Early Literary Criticism	3
MLLL 5073	Contemporary Literary Criticism	3
<b>Elective Courses (minimum 51 hours)</b>		
Other graduate-level courses in SPAN, MLLL, or related fields as approved by the Advisory Conference Committee. SPAN 6980 may not count as an elective course.		51-79
<b>Dissertation Research (minimum 2 hours)</b>		
SPAN 6980	Research for Doctoral Dissertation	2
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>90</b>

## General Requirements for Doctoral Degrees

A student should expect to spend at least the equivalent of three full academic years beyond the bachelor's degree to obtain the doctoral degree. During this period the student will take appropriate graduate coursework, successfully complete the general examination, and successfully defend and submit the final dissertation.

All coursework applied to the doctoral degree must carry graduate credit.

The doctoral degree requires at least 90 post-baccalaureate hours, including both formal coursework and hours of research.

The minimum hour requirement for a specific doctoral degree program cannot be waived.

No more than one-half of the credit hours, both OU and overall, excluding Research for Doctoral Dissertation (6980), may be *S/U*-graded coursework.

The student must be in residence at OU for at least two consecutive 16-week semesters during the pursuit of the doctoral degree while enrolled and engaged in coursework or research activities as prescribed by the major academic unit.