University of New Orleans

M.A. in Romance Languages

Program Options

A) Literature. Students having a primary interest in literature and those having the ability and desire to pursue the Ph.D. will generally elect this concentration.

B) Language, Culture, and Civilization. Teachers from the elementary through the junior college level will find this concentration more appropriate to their goals. Individuals already combining Romance Languages with non-academic professional activities will also find the curriculum supportive of their goals.

Hour Requirements

A) Literature. Thesis optional. Non-thesis: total of 33 hours, with at least 15 in courses numbered over 6000. Thesis: 30 hours, with at least 15 hours in courses numbered over 6000 and including up to 6 hours in thesis research.

B) Language, Culture, Civilization. Thesis optional. Non-thesis: total of 33 hours, with at least 15 in courses numbered over 6000. Thesis: 30 hours, with at least 15 hours in courses numbered over 6000 and including up to 6 hours in thesis research.

Note: With permission, up to six (6) hours may be taken outside Romance Languages

Other Requirements

Reading knowledge of a second Romance Language and satisfactory performance on a comprehensive examination (written and oral) are required of all candidates.

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Located on the south shore of Lake Pontchartrain on a 195 acre campus, it has a library of over 900,000 volumes and over 5,700 periodicals on current subscription.

In the state with America's largest Francophone population and in a metropolitan area having several hundred thousand speakers of Spanish, New Orleans, the nation's second port, enjoys a unique multi-ethnic ambience appealing equally to academic and commercial interests.

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Civilization Option

Cognizant of the fact that the M.A. is not always a steppingstone on the way to the Ph.D., the UNO Department of Foreign Languages is offering a graduate option in Romance Languages unique in this part of the United States. Individuals for whom the M.A. is the terminal degree and who are professionally involved in secondary or primary education will find many courses that will improve their teaching skills and enhance their career opportunities, e.g., 'Advanced Conversation,' 'Problems of Grammatical Analysis,' 'Children's Literature,' 'Applied Romance Linguistics,' and so forth.

There are other offerings which will appeal to them as well as to persons for whom a Romance Language is a decided asset in the pursuance of their careers. Professionals in business, foreign trade, tourism in all its ramifications, urban planning, and related fields will be offered a broad spectrum of courses to meet their specific needs and interests, e.g., 'Business French/Spanish,' 'Contemporary Culture,' 'French/Spanish Thought,' 'French/Spanish Contemporary Society and Institutions,' and others.

The Language, Culture, Civilization option is a thesis-optional Master's program with the non-thesis option consisting of 33 credit hours with at least 15 hours to be taken at the 6000-level (seminar-type courses); Thesis: 30 credit hours in course work with at least 15 hours in courses numbered over 6000 and including up to 6 hours in thesis research. Classes are offered in the evening and in the summer in order to accommodate teachers.

A limited number of teaching assistantships are available for qualified students.

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