

**Theatre (Performance America), PhD  
Degree Check Sheet**

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This is a 4 year program; a total of 60 credit hours, a foreign language exam, a written comprehensive exam, an oral comprehensive exam, a prospectus and a dissertation is required. You must submit a Plan of Study or POS via the interactive iPOS system located on your My ASU page before completing 50 percent of the credit hours required for your degree program. The iPOS must be approved by a student's committee, the head of the academic unit, and the Dean of the Graduate College. Use this degree check sheet as a guide to map your degree and complete your plan of study.

Plan of Study	Date Submitted:	Date Approved:
Graduation	Anticipated term/year:	

**Required Core (24 credits)**

Course	Title	Credits needed	Credits taken	Semester	Notes
THE 700	Research Methods	3			
THE 591	Seminar: Approaches to TPOA	3			
THE 791	Seminar	3			Rotating Topics
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THP 611	Sites of Inquiry in Performance	3			
THE 691	Seminar	3			
THE 505	Studies in Dramatic Theatre/Critic	3			
THE 500 or THE 562	Research Methods or Dramaturgy Workshop	3			THE 562 is offered once every 3 years.
Total required core credits		24			

**Electives (12 credits)**

Course	Title	Credits needed	Credits taken	Semester	Notes
Total elective credits		12			

You will select elective classes in consultation with your committee.

**Research (12 credits)**

Course	Title	Credits needed	Credits taken	Semester	Notes
THE 792	Research	12			Credits can be split up over multiple semesters.
Total research credits		12			

**Culminating Experience (12 credits)**

Course	Title	Credits needed	Credits taken	Semester	Notes
THE 799	Dissertation	12			Credits can be split up over multiple semesters.
Total culminating experience credits		12			

## SUMMARY

There are several milestones you need to complete prior to graduating:

- Have an approved Plan of Study on file by your 4th semester of matriculation.
- Pass all of the coursework required for your degree.
- Successfully complete your foreign language exam and your comprehensive exams.
- Complete your oral defense of the prospectus.
- Complete your oral defense of the dissertation.

## GRADUATE COURSES

Graduate-level courses are those numbered 500 or higher. All core courses required by a graduate program must be at least 500-level. A maximum of 6 credit hours of 400-level coursework can be included on an iPOS with program approval. 400-level courses taken prior to admission and 400-level courses graded as "Pass/Fail" are not acceptable. Courses with grades of "D", "E", or "W" and audited courses (graded as "X") cannot be included on an iPOS. Courses applied to a previously awarded degree cannot be included on an iPOS. For more information, please refer to the [Graduate Policies and Procedures Handbook](#).

## GRADUATE FOREIGN LANGUAGE EXAMINATION (FLE)

Students who are required to demonstrate proficiency in a foreign language must pass the [Graduate Foreign Language Examination](#) specific to your particular graduate program. You must be enrolled for a minimum of 1 credit hour during the term you take the exam and must successfully complete the Foreign Language Examination *before* taking any required comprehensive exams or scheduling the final oral defense of the thesis/dissertation. You may submit a petition to the Graduate College for a re-examination but must pass the examination in no more than 3 attempts.

## COMPREHENSIVE EXAMS

Comprehensive exams are normally taken in April and May after successful completion of 4 semesters of course work and consist of a one-day written (three hours in the morning, three hours in the afternoon) and an hour-long oral exam. English as a second language students can petition to extend their allotted time for the written portion and all reasonable accommodations will be provided for students officially registered with [Student Accessibility and Inclusive Learning Services](#). Students must be enrolled during the semester in which the exam is taken.

## SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS

Graduate students must maintain a minimum 3.00 grade point average (GPA) to maintain satisfactory academic progress and to graduate. The minimum 3.00 GPA must be maintained on all GPAs (iPOS GPA, Overall Graduate GPA and Cumulative GPA):

- The POS GPA is calculated on all courses that appear on the student's approved Plan of Study.
- Cumulative ASU GPA represents all courses completed at ASU during the graduate career.
- The Overall Graduate GPA is based on all courses numbered 500 or higher that appear on the transcript after admission to a graduate program or graduate non-degree.
- Courses with grades of "D" (1.00) and "E" (0.00) cannot appear on the iPOS but will be included when calculating the Graduate GPA. Courses with an "I" grade cannot appear on the POS.

## CONTINUOUS ENROLLMENT

Once admitted to a graduate degree program or graduate certificate program, you must be registered for a minimum of 1 credit hour during all phases of your graduate education. Registration for every fall semester and spring semester is required. Summer registration is required for students taking examinations, completing culminating experiences, conducting a doctoral prospectus, defending theses or dissertations or graduating from the degree program.

For more information, please refer to the [Graduate Policies and Procedures Handbook](#).

It is important that graduate students become familiarized with policies pertaining to their degree program, the Graduate Policies and Procedures Handbook and important deadlines within their department. Please refer to the links below for additional information.

Student Resources	
Theatre Forms, Advising & Handbooks	<a href="https://arizonastateu.sharepoint.com/sites/HIDAstudent/SOM/Pages/Advising-and-Handbooks-Theatre.aspx">https://arizonastateu.sharepoint.com/sites/HIDAstudent/SOM/Pages/Advising-and-Handbooks-Theatre.aspx</a> <a href="https://arizonastateu.sharepoint.com/sites/HIDAstudent/SOM/Pages/forms-theatre.aspx">https://arizonastateu.sharepoint.com/sites/HIDAstudent/SOM/Pages/forms-theatre.aspx</a>
How To Guides - Graduate College	<a href="https://graduate.asu.edu/current-students/completing-your-degree/how-guides">https://graduate.asu.edu/current-students/completing-your-degree/how-guides</a>
Completing your Plan of Study	<a href="https://graduate.asu.edu/current-students/completing-your-degree/your-plan-study-ipos">https://graduate.asu.edu/current-students/completing-your-degree/your-plan-study-ipos</a>
Academic Calendar	<a href="https://students.asu.edu/academic-calendar">https://students.asu.edu/academic-calendar</a>
Deadlines for Graduate Students	<a href="https://graduate.asu.edu/current-students/policies-forms-and-deadlines/graduation-deadlines">https://graduate.asu.edu/current-students/policies-forms-and-deadlines/graduation-deadlines</a>
Graduate Student Policies and Procedures	<a href="https://graduate.asu.edu/sites/default/files/asu-graduate-policies-and-procedures.pdf">https://graduate.asu.edu/sites/default/files/asu-graduate-policies-and-procedures.pdf</a>
Academic Integrity	<a href="https://graduate.asu.edu/current-students/policies-forms-and-deadlines/academic-integrity">https://graduate.asu.edu/current-students/policies-forms-and-deadlines/academic-integrity</a>
Apply for Graduation	<a href="https://students.asu.edu/registration/graduation-apply">https://students.asu.edu/registration/graduation-apply</a>
University Registrar Services	<a href="https://students.asu.edu/registration">https://students.asu.edu/registration</a>
Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)	<a href="https://students.asu.edu/policies/ferpa">https://students.asu.edu/policies/ferpa</a>
Enrollment and Degree Verification	<a href="https://students.asu.edu/enrollment-verification">https://students.asu.edu/enrollment-verification</a>