

Theatre, MA
Degree Check Sheet

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This program requires 30 credit hours, a thesis and a written comprehensive exam. 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 and also have an approved supervisory committee. 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 (10 credits)

Course	Title	Credits needed	Credits taken	Semester	Notes
THE 520	Theatre History	3			
THE 504	Dramatic Theory & Criticism	3			
THE 500	Research Methods	3			
THP 505	Graduate Colloquium	1			
Total required core credits		10			

Electives (17 credits)

Course	Title	Credits needed	Credits taken	Semester	Notes
Total elective credits		17			

Culminating Experience (3-6 credits)

Course	Title	Credits needed	Credits taken	Semester	Notes
THE 599	Thesis				
Total credits		3-6			

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 MA
- Successfully complete your written comprehensive exam before beginning work on your Thesis.
- Successfully complete your Thesis with a grade of "B" or better.

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](#).

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