

# MODERN LANGUAGES AND CULTURAL STUDIES: Germanic, Romance, Slavic

## Graduate Language Proficiency Examination for courses taught by MLCS

Students are reminded that in accordance with regulations outlined in the Calendar of the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, sections 173.7, 174.1.1(3) and 174.2.1(3), they may have to meet a language requirement. This requirement may be met in several ways.

1. A student may have taken and obtained a grade of 6 (65%) or better in one of the following courses or their equivalent: FREN 150; FREN 155 **and** 156; GERM 150; GERM 265 (Spring Session); ITAL 250; RUSS 201 **and** 202; SPAN 200 **and** 201; UKR 203 **and** 204. The course(s) must not have been taken more than three years prior to admission as a provisional PhD or MA candidate.
2. **Procedure**
  - a. Graduate Students may take the appropriate undergraduate course(s) [see (1.) above] but with a graduate course number and receive a grade of CR or F .
  - b. Before the registration deadline for that term, such students should see the graduate secretary in the Dept of Modern Languages and Cultural Studies to request the upgrade.
  - c. The student will continue to attend the undergraduate course section and complete all course requirements.
3. If students have a reading knowledge of the language, they may take a Graduate Language Proficiency Examination given by the department.

For the Graduate Language Proficiency Examination, students will demonstrate their ability to translate material accurately into English from publications pertaining to their major field of study. **The student shall bring two approved texts (chosen by the student's supervisor) and a signed "Approved Material" form to the examiner at least two weeks prior to the examination** (these forms are available from his/her department; a sample of the form is attached). In preparation for the exam, the students are asked to read 50 pages\* *chosen by the examiner* out of each of the two books. They will be required to translate 5 passages, chosen by the examiner from these 100 pages, with the help of a dictionary. The time allowed for the examination is one hour.

Upon satisfactory completion of the examination, notification will be sent by the Examiner to the Graduate Advisor of the student's Department. Students who are not successful in the examination may present themselves at any subsequent date listed below.

Students who speak one of the above languages fluently should contact their own Department about waiving the requirement.

**STUDENTS SHOULD BE AWARE THAT, IF THEY DO NOT SATISFACTORILY COMPLETE THE LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY EXAMINATION WELL IN ADVANCE OF THEIR CANDIDACY EXAMINATION, THEY RUN THE RISK OF HAVING INSUFFICIENT TIME TO MEET THE LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT.**

**N.B.** The Proficiency Examinations for any of the above languages will be given at 10:30 am or 1:30 pm on the following dates:

Wednesday, September 26, 2001  
Wednesday, November 21, 2001

Wednesday, January 23, 2002  
Wednesday, March 20, 2002

**Students must make an appointment and arrange a time for the examination at least two weeks before the examination.** Please call 492-3273 to make an appointment to write an examination.

\*Excluding formulae, graphics, or similar material