Linguistics, Master of Arts (M.A.)

Under exceptional circumstances, students are awarded an MA degree on completion of the core coursework requirements (six courses, see PhD requirements), four further classes, and writing either an MA thesis which is defended publicly (LING799) or two comprehensive papers in different areas of language study (LING798). Two of the post core-level class requirements should be taken in the Department of Linguistics, with the rest being taken either in Linguistics or in other departments satisfying a secondary area of specialization and complementing the student’s work. Note that the Department of Linguistics does not normally admit students whose objective is a terminal M.A. degree. The M.A. degree primarily serves students who withdraw from the Ph.D. program.