

# MA in Asian Languages and Civilizations (Chinese)

The Chinese graduate program in the School of International Letters and Cultures offers an MA degree with a focus in one of two areas:

- area 1: literature, linguistics and culture
- area 2: pedagogy

Area 1 seeks to prepare students for further academic training, for entrance to professional schools in such fields as law, business or journalism, and for a general level of knowledge about the languages and cultures of China as an asset to a professional career.

Area 2 is intended for students whose major interest is in teaching modern Chinese in K-16 environments.

## Degree Requirements

Students in the Asian Languages and Civilizations MA program must complete a minimum of 30 credit hours and a thesis or applied project.

|                               | Credit Hours |
|-------------------------------|--------------|
| Core Courses                  | 6            |
| Electives                     | 18           |
| Culminating Experience        | 6            |
| Total Semester Hours Required | 30           |

## Required Core Course

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|---------|---------------------------------|
| CHI 482 | History of the Chinese Language |
| CHI 500 | Research Methodology            |

## Coursework

The plan of study for the master's degree includes a minimum of 30 credit hours of graduate-level work as approved by the candidate's supervisory committee. The plan must include a 500-level bibliography and research methods course offered by the department. When approved by the candidate's supervisory committee, nine credit hours of advanced-level work in another language or in closely related courses may be included in the plan. Students who are primarily interested in teaching at the secondary or community college levels may select a plan of study with a focus in language pedagogy.

## Supervisory Committee

Each students' supervisory committee must include at least 3 faculty members from SILC.

**Applied Project/Thesis**

Students may complete a thesis (CHI 599) or applied project (CHI 593) option based on their future career endeavors.

**Additional Information and Questions**

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