

**DESCRIPTION OF THE GRADUATE PROGRAM**

**OF THE**

**DEPARTMENT OF CENTRAL EURASIAN STUDIES,**

**INDIANA UNIVERSITY**

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## INTRODUCTION

Central Eurasia, the home of some of the world's greatest art, epic literature, and empires, is the vast heartland of Europe and Asia extending from Central Europe to East Asia and from Siberia to the Himalayas. The Department of Central Eurasian Studies at Indiana University took its present name in 1993. It was founded as an Army Specialized Training Program for Central Eurasian languages in 1943, then formally organized as the Program in Uralic and Altaic Studies (from 1956 to 1965) and later the Department of Uralic and Altaic Studies (from 1965 to 1993). The Department has long been one of the world's leading centers of academic expertise on Central Eurasia as well as the sole independent degree-granting academic unit staffed with its own faculty of specialists.

The faculty of the Department enjoys an international reputation for the high quality of its research and publications. In addition to its human resources, the Department has holdings in the Herman B Wells Library, the Denis Sinor Research Institute for Inner Asian Studies and its Central Asian Archives, the Eurasian Language Archive, the Turkish Folklore Archive, the Hungarian Institute, the Antoinette K. Gordon Collection of Tibetan Art, the Finnish Studies Program, and the Departmental Library. Taken together, these holdings constitute the major research collection for Central Eurasian area studies in the United States.

The Eurasian heartland, which has played a seminal role in the development of both Europe and Asia, is still insufficiently explored by modern scholars. The Department of Central Eurasian Studies offers a unique area studies program, emphasizing language proficiency and a thorough grounding in indigenous cultures. Our program provides students with the means to study in depth a region of specialization in the Central Eurasian area through mastery of one or more languages as well as the history and culture of a given region by means of a multidisciplinary approach. The degree program combines two key features: (1) a Language of Specialization (LOS), which gives students access to the chosen culture through the voices of its people; and (2) a Region of Specialization (ROS), which includes courses on various aspects of the chosen culture. In addition, while becoming familiar with various disciplinary approaches to the study of Central Eurasia, students are strongly encouraged to provide depth to their studies by thoroughly assimilating the methodology of a single discipline. The Department's programs offer exciting possibilities for study and research as well as wide-ranging opportunities for careers in academia, government, and international business.

## **ADVISING**

The Department of Central Eurasian Studies stresses the importance of faculty advising throughout a student's career at Indiana University. Entering students must consult with the Department's Director of Graduate Studies in planning their first semester's program. The student is required to establish a three-member Graduate Advisory Committee (GAC), headed by the student's likely thesis adviser no later than the start of their third semester. For Ph.D. students the structure of the advisory committees is mandated in the University Graduate School Bulletin. The student must meet with his or her advisor at least once a semester while in residence at the University, in order to have courses for the subsequent semester approved and to plan a well-integrated program of study at both the M.A. and Ph.D. levels.

## **GRADUATE CURRICULUM**

The Department offers the degrees of Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy. The general University requirements for these degrees are set forth in the chapter "General Requirements" of the University Graduate School Bulletin. Students should read this chapter carefully, especially the section on foreign language requirements. In addition, they should note that no course may be used to satisfy more than one requirement.

**The requirements set forth in the current document supersede those listed in the April 2003 version of this document.**

## **M.A. DEGREE REQUIREMENTS**

### **A. Region of Specialization (ROS) Courses**

Four courses (12 cr.) on the culture, history, or society of the region. Among the courses that currently satisfy this requirement are:

#### **Baltic and Finnish**

R501 Baltic States since 1918

R502 Finland in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century

R504 Modern Finnish Literature

R508 Estonian Culture and Civilization

R509\*Topics in Baltic-Finnish

R592 Uralic Peoples and Cultures  
R600\*Advanced Readings in Baltic-Finnish Studies  
R694 Uralic Linguistics  
R698 Empire and Ethnicity in Modern Russian History

**Central Asia**

R510 Introduction to Central Asian History  
R511 Travelers and Explorers in Central Asia  
R512 Shrine and Pilgrimage in Central Asian Islam  
R513 Islam in the Soviet Union and Successor States  
R514 Islamization in Inner Asia  
R515 Politics and Society in Central Asia  
R516 Peoples and Cultures of Central Asia  
R528 Post-Soviet Transition in Central Asia  
R529\*Topics in Central Asian Studies  
R530 Politics in Modern Xinjiang  
R531 Grave Robbers, Missionaries, and Spies: Foreign Adventurers in Chinese Turkistan  
R532 From Kingdom to Colony to Province: History of Xinjiang to 1911  
R533 Cultures and Civilization of Xinjiang  
R593 The Mongol Century  
R594 Environ Probs & Soc Constraints in Northern & C Eurasia  
R595 Politics of Identity in China and Inner Asia  
R596 Rus, Khazars & Bulgars  
R610\*Advanced Readings in Central Asia Studies  
R611 Ethnic History of Central Asia  
R612 Central Asia under Russian Rule  
R613 Islamic Central Asia 16th-19th Centuries  
R614 Yasavi Sufis and Central Asian Islam  
R615 The Naqshbandi Sufi Tradition in Central Asia  
R616 Religion and Power in Islamic Central Asia  
R627 Islam and Modernity in Central Eurasia  
R628 Russia's Orient 1552-1924  
R629 Islamic Hagiography of Central Asia  
R693 Theorizing Central Eurasia: The Problems of Nationalism  
R697 Soviet and Post-Soviet Nationalities and Problems  
R698 Empire and Ethnicity in Modern Russian History  
R699 Central Eurasian Languages

## **Hungarian**

- R540 Intro to Hungarian Studies
- R542 Roma (Gypsy) History and Culture
- R547 East Central European Cities in Comparative Perspective
- R549\*Topics in Hungarian Studies
- R592 Uralic Peoples and Cultures
- R640\*Advanced Readings in Hungarian Studies
- R641 Art & Music of 19th & 20th Century Hungary
- R642 Bela Bartok: Composer in Context
- R649 The Roma Through History, Music, and Film
- R694 Uralic Linguistics

## **Iranian**

- R510 Introduction to Central Asian History
- R516 Peoples and Cultures of Central Asia
- R551 Prophets, Poets, and Kings: Iranian Civilization
- R552 Peoples and Cultures of the Middle East
- R554 Persian Literature in Translation: Literature & Cinema of Modern Iran
- R559\*Topics in Iranian Studies
- R580 Literature of the Ottoman Court in Translation
- R593 The Mongol Century
- R613 Islamic Central Asia 16th-19th Centuries
- R614 Yasavi Sufis and Central Asian Islam
- R615 The Naqshbandi Sufi Tradition in Central Asia
- R629 Islamic Hagiography of Central Asia
- R650\*Advanced Readings in Iranian Studies
- R693 Theorizing Central Eurasia: The Problems of Nationalism

## **Mongolian**

- R560 Modern Mongolia
- R561 Mongolia's Middle Ages
- R562 Mongolian Civilization and Folk Culture
- R563 Mongolian Historical Writings
- R564 Shamanism and Folk Religion of the Mongols
- R569\*Topics in Mongolian Studies
- R570 Introduction to the History of Tibet
- R572 Sino-Tibetan Relations
- R593 The Mongol Century
- R595 Politics of Identity in China and Inner Asia
- R660\*Advanced Readings in Mongolian Studies
- R661 Mongolian Literature and Folklore

R662 Modern Inner Mongolia  
R666 Mongolian Languages and Dialects  
R667 Mongolic Writing Systems  
R693 Theorizing Central Eurasia: The Problems of Nationalism  
R696 Manchu Historical Sources  
R697 Soviet and Post-Soviet Nationalities and Problems  
R699 Central Eurasian Languages

### **Post-Communism and Nationalism**

R501 Baltic States since 1918  
R508 Estonian Culture and Civilization  
R513 Islam in the Soviet Union and Successor States  
R515 Politics and Society in Central Asia  
R516 Peoples and Cultures of Central Asia  
R528 Post-Soviet Transition in Central Asia  
R501 Baltic States since 1918  
R508 Estonian Culture and Civilization  
R560 Modern Mongolia  
R572 Sino-Tibetan Relations  
R594 Environ Probs & Soc Constraints in Northern & C Eurasia  
R662 Modern Inner Mongolia  
R697 Soviet and Post-Soviet Nationalities and Problems  
R698 Empire and Ethnicity in Modern Russian History

### **Tibetan**

R560 Modern Mongolia  
R562 Mongolian Civilization and Folk Culture  
R563 Mongolian Historical Writings  
R570 Introduction to the History of Tibet  
R571 Tibet and the West  
R572 Sino-Tibetan Relations  
R573 Religions of Tibet  
R579\*Topics in Tibetan Studies  
R593 The Mongol Century  
R595 Politics of Identity in China and Inner Asia  
R661 Mongolian Literature and Folklore  
R670\*Advanced Readings in Tibetan Studies  
R693 Theorizing Central Eurasia: The Problems of Nationalism  
R699 Central Eurasian Languages

## **Turkish**

R515 Politics and Society in Central Asia

R516 Peoples and Cultures of Central Asia

R552 Peoples and Cultures of the Middle East

R580 Literature of the Ottoman Court in Translation

R582 Cultural History of the Ottoman Empire and Modern Turkey

R583 Ten Sultans, One Empire: Ottoman Classical Age 1300-1600

R584 From Grandeur to Collapse: Ottoman, State & Society in the Post-Classical Age

R589\*Topics in Turkish Studies

R593 The Mongol Century

R596 Rus, Khazars & Bulgars

R516 Peoples and Cultures of Central Asia

R627 Islam and Modernity in Central Eurasia

R680\*Advanced Readings in Turkish Studies

\*If used to satisfy the ROS requirement, these courses must be approved by a student's Graduate Advisory Committee.

In exceptional circumstances, other departmental courses may be used to fulfill the requirements of a particular ROS with the approval of the student's advisor and the Director of Graduate Studies or the Department Chairperson.

## **B. Language of Specialization (LOS) Courses**

Intermediate level (6 cr.) of one Language of Specialization taught in the Department of Central Eurasian Studies, selected according to the ROS. Courses which currently satisfy this requirement are:

### **Baltic-Finnish**

T601-T602 Intermediate Finnish I-II

T701-T702 Advanced Finnish I-II

T603-T604 Intermediate Estonian I-II

T703-T704 Advanced Estonian i-ii

## **Central Asian**

T611-T612	Intermediate Uzbek I-II
T711-T712	Advanced Uzbek I-II
T613-T614	Intermediate Kazakh I-II
T713-T714	Advanced Kazakh I-II
T615-T616	Intermediate Tajik I-II
T617-T618	Intermediate Turkmen I-II
T619-T620	Intermediate Kyrgyz I-II
T631-T632	Intermediate Uyghur I-II
T731-T732	Advanced Uyghur I-II
T651-T652	Intermediate Persian I-II
T751-T752	Advanced Persian I-II

## **Hungarian**

T641-T642	Intermediate Hungarian I-II
T741-T742	Advanced Hungarian I-II

## **Iranian**

T615-T616	Intermediate Tajik I-II
T651-T652	Intermediate Persian I-II
T751-T752	Advanced Persian I-II
T653-T654	Intermediate Pashto I-II
T683-684	Azerbaijani I -II

## **Mongolian**

T661-T662	Intermediate Mongolian I-II
T761-T762	Advanced Mongolia I-II

## **Tibetan**

T671-672	Intermediate Tibetan I-II
T771-772	Advanced Tibetan I-II

## **Turkish**

T681-T682	Intermediate Turkish I-II
T781-T782	Advanced Turkish I-II
T683-684	Azerbaijani I-II
T685-686	Introductory Ottoman Turkish I-II
T686-687	Advanced Ottoman Turkish I -II
T785-786	Media Turkish I –II

### **General (counts as LOS only with approval of DGS)**

T698-699	Central Eurasian Languages (VT) (Intermediate)
T798-799	Central Eurasian Languages (VT) (Advanced)

Students who test out of the Intermediate level of the LOS must submit appropriate documentation. In addition, they must complete 6 hours of work in ROS, LOS, or relevant advanced reading courses to satisfy the overall number of hours required for an M.A. degree in the Department. Only introductory language courses outside the student's LOS may count as elective credits for the MA or PhD. Students may fulfill the LOS requirement by completing or testing out of the Advanced level of the language (i.e., without taking the introductory or intermediate levels at Indiana University). In that case, no credit hours are given for any of the levels of the LOS toward the M.A. or Ph.D. degrees. The missing credits may be fulfilled with electives.

### **C. Professional Research Methodology Course**

One professional research methodology course in a relevant discipline, within or outside of the Department. This will be selected in consultation with the student's Graduate Advisory Committee (3 cr.).

A methodology course is a "how-to" rather than a "what-is" course. Two types of courses may fulfill the methodology requirement. First is a course that introduces a student to the theories and conceptual tools of a discipline, for example, "Introduction to Historical Linguistics" or "Issues in Contemporary Historiography." Second is a course that covers the reference works and research methods in a region of study, such as "Chinese Sources for Tibetan Studies" or "Sources for the Study of Central Asian History." The methodology course may be taken outside or inside the department. The choice of methodology course must be approved by the student's advisor in coordination with the department's Director of Graduate Studies.

### **D. Electives**

Electives or "open" courses (6 cr.), one of which must be taught in the Department of Central Eurasian Studies, may include any graduate-credit course at the 300-level or above not used to satisfy other requirements. Students are encouraged to take one of their electives in another Region of Specialization in the Department of Central Eurasian Studies. These courses must be selected carefully in consultation with the student's Graduate Advisory Committee and receive its written approval. Only introductory language courses outside the student's LOS may be used as electives.

### **E. Research Language**

Students must demonstrate reading proficiency in a modern research language such as French, German, or Russian. This may be done by taking a proficiency examination through the relevant department, or by completing with a "B" grade or better the 491-492 courses offered in some of

these languages. **These credit hours do not count toward the overall M.A. requirement of 30 hours.**

**F. M.A. Thesis Course–R691**

During the fourth or fifth semester of enrollment, the student shall register for R691, an independent study course (3 cr.) that will serve as the M.A. Thesis Course. The student will work under the guidance of his or her thesis adviser, normally the head of the student's Graduate Advisory Committee. The student will receive credit for R691 only after acceptance of the M.A. Thesis.

**G. M.A. Thesis**

The M.A. thesis should be not less than 50 and not more than 70 double-spaced pages (text and notes), and it must reflect the use of materials in the student's LOS or in at least one Research Language other than English. The thesis may be an expanded seminar or other course paper, or it may be an entirely new project. The thesis committee consists of three members, all of whom must approve the thesis; there is no oral defense. Normally, the student shall submit the M.A. Thesis to the Department within 90 days after the end of the fifth semester of full-time enrollment. Extensions may be granted only by written permission of the student's Graduate Advisory Committee and the Chairperson of the Department.

For information about transfer of MA credits from other institutions, see “transfer of credits” under “Admission to the Ph.D. Program”.

**Summary of M.A. Requirements**

A. Region of Specialization: four courses (3 + 3 + 3 + 3 cr.).....	12
B. Language of Specialization: Intermediate-level of a language taught in the Department of Central Eurasian Studies (3 + 3 cr.).....	6
C. Research Methodology Course (3 cr.).....	3
D. Electives - two courses.....	6
E. Research Language (no cr.)	
F. M.A. Thesis Course (R691) (3 cr.) .....	3
G. M.A. Thesis (no cr.)	
 Total (minimum) credit-hours at the M.A. level.....	 30

## **Additional Remarks**

Students who have not completed their M.A. degree requirements in the Department may not enroll in R700-level courses.

Students who already have M.A. degrees from elsewhere that includes an M.A. thesis is exempt from the M.A. thesis requirement. (See the description at the beginning of the "Ph.D. Requirements" section.)

**REMINDER:** You are ultimately responsible for monitoring your own academic progress and following the degree criterion in the Graduate School Bulletin to insure completion of requirements for graduation.

## **ADMISSION TO THE PH.D. PROGRAM**

### **New Students**

A candidate for the Ph.D. degree must have an M.A. degree in Central Eurasian Studies or fulfill the course requirements leading to that degree. In the latter case, the student must complete the Department's M.A. requirements, for a total of 30 hours in the Department. Acceptability of the language proficiency level of all entering students is determined by the Department of Central Eurasian Studies.

**Transfer of Credits:** Under certain specified conditions, a student who comes to Indiana University after having completed graduate work elsewhere may transfer all or some of that work and receive credit for it at Indiana. For the M.A. degree, as many as eight (8) hours may be transferred. The student who has obtained the M.A. degree elsewhere may transfer as many as 30 hours to count toward the 90-hour requirement for the Ph.D. All transferred course work must be completed with a minimum of a "B" grade and must have been taken no more than seven years prior to completion of qualifying exams. "P" and "S" grades cannot be accepted for transfer without further official evidence of their equivalency. Credits to be applied toward the M.A. are transferred at the time of application for the degree. Credits to be applied toward the Ph.D. are transferred at the time of nomination to candidacy.

Graduate work done elsewhere is not automatically transferable. For both the MA degree and the Ph.D., the transfer takes place only upon recommendation by the Department. Thus, the question of transferability of graduate credit cannot be answered at the time the student arrives at Indiana University. Even if all appropriate hours could be transferred to Indiana, this still would not determine the timetable for obtaining the desired degree. Particularly in the case of the doctoral student, readiness to stand for the qualifying examination and later readiness to defend a piece of research do not depend on any specific number of course hours or even on the 90-hour rule, but entirely on the scope and quality of intellectual preparation, as judged by the examination committee and ultimately by the research committee.

### **Continuing Students**

Timing: Continuing Students should apply for admission to the Ph.D. program no later than the semester in which the student takes the M. A. thesis course.

Provisional Admission: This will be granted to eligible students no later than the semester in which the student takes the M.A. thesis course. “Provisional Admission” means admission to the Ph.D. program pending completion of all Department of Central Eurasian Studies M.A. requirements.

### **Requirements for Formal Admission:**

Student Statement – a new statement of research intent written by the student.

Grade-point Average – a **minimum** of 3.5 in Department of Central Eurasian Studies coursework.

Research Language – at least one of the Research Language requirements of the Department of Central Eurasian Studies must be met before a student can be formally admitted.

Faculty Statement – a letter written by a Department of Central Eurasian Studies faculty member who is a full member of the Graduate School faculty expressing agreement to chair the student’s advisory committee and Ph.D. examination and dissertation committees.

Formal admission will be granted to an eligible student within one semester following the Student’s completion of **all** requirements for the M.A. degree in the Department of Central Eurasian Studies.

## PH.D. DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

### Major Field

A candidate must complete 48 credit hours beyond those hours used to satisfy M.A. requirements in his or her field of specialization, distributed as described below. No course may be used to satisfy more than one requirement.

Students normally complete the remainder of the 90 credit hours required by the College of Arts and Sciences by enrolling R890 Ph.D. Thesis. The grades (and credit) for these courses is deferred until the completion of the dissertation. Students may, of course, take additional standard courses for credit as part of their examination or dissertation preparation.

#### A. **Region of Specialization**

Four Department courses relevant to the student's Region of Specialization (12 cr.). Courses which currently meet this requirement are listed under the MA ROS requirements.

##### Individualized ROS

A student may create a major which covers an Individualized Region of Specialization (where faculty expertise exists) or includes more than one Region of Specialization. Such majors must be approved by the student's advisory committee. A variety of areas is possible (e.g., Volga-Kama region, Siberia, or Xinjiang) and may include languages taught occasionally in the Department (e.g., Sami [Lappish]; a Samoyed language; Yakut, Kyrgyz, Chagatay, Turkmen, or Chuvash; Buriat or Kalmyk; Manchu or Evenki; and Paleo-Siberian languages such as Yukagir and Ket). Students should expect to study their language(s) of choice for at least two years.

#### B. **Language of Specialization and Linguistics**

Nine credit hours in Language of Specialization (LOS) courses and Linguistics.

Besides advanced level LOS courses, these may include any courses below from (a) LOS Advanced Readings, (b) Classical and Early Form of the LOS, and (c) Linguistics, or T699-T799 courses which are approved by the student's advisory committee to fulfill this requirement. Courses which currently satisfy this requirement are:

##### a) **Advanced Readings Courses**

- R563 Mongolian Historical Writings
- T676 Readings in Modern Tibetan Texts

**b) Classical and Early Forms of LOS:**

T623	Chaghatay
T656	Middle Iranian Languages
T658	Old Iranian Languages
T663-664	Classical Mongolian I or II
T673	Old Tibetan
T685-686	Introductory Ottoman Turkish I or II
T687-688	Advanced Ottoman Turkish I or II
T690	Introduction to Manchu
T691	Old Turkic

**c) Linguistics**

**Baltic-Finnish Region**

R694	Uralic Linguistics
T699*	Introductory Central Eurasian Languages
T799*	Intermediate Central Eurasian Languages

**Central Asian Region**

T691	Old Turkic
T693*	Introduction to Sakha (Yakut)
RTBA	Altaic Linguistics
T699*	Introductory Central Eurasian Languages
T799*	Intermediate Central Eurasian Languages

**Hungarian Region**

T694	Uralic Linguistics
T699*	Introductory Central Eurasian Languages
T799*	Intermediate Central Eurasian Languages

**Mongolian Region**

R666	Mongolian Languages and Dialects
T690	Introduction to Manchu
T691	Old Turkic

RTBA Altaic Linguistics  
T699\* Introductory Central Eurasian Languages  
T799\* Intermediate Central Eurasian Languages

### **Tibetan Region**

T673 Old Tibetan  
T699\* Introductory Central Eurasian Languages  
T799\* Intermediate Central Eurasian Languages

\* counts as LOS only with approval of DGS

### **C. Seminar**

This is normally a 700-level course taught inside the department or in the student's minor field with the approval of the student's advisor and the Director of Graduate Studies. A course without a 700 number may also be used to fulfill this requirement provided it is conducted as a seminar. A seminar is a course in which advanced graduate students have the opportunity to write, present, and revise a substantial research paper (normally 20-25 pages). Normally, students will present a prospectus or preliminary draft of a paper before the professor and other members of the seminar. Based on the response to the prospectus or draft, the student then revises and expands the paper. The essential element is revising the paper in response to peer review and criticism. To use a non-100-level course, the student will need to submit evidence that the course meets criteria and have it approved by both his/her advisor and the Director of Graduate Studies prior to registration. Note that this course cannot be used to fulfill any other requirement, either for the ROS or for the minor.

R700 Seminar in Baltic-Finnish Studies  
R710 Seminar in Central Asian Studies  
R711 Seminar on Comparative Study of Central Asian and Middle East  
RTBA Central Asian Nomadic Pastoralism  
R713 Sources for the Study of Central Asian History  
R740 Seminar in Hungarian Studies  
R750 Seminar in Iranian Studies  
R760 Seminar in Mongolian Studies  
R761 Ordos Documents  
R770 Seminar in Tibetan Studies  
R771 Intro to Chinese Sources for Tibetan Studies  
R780 Seminar in Turkish Studies  
R790 Seminar in Central Eurasian Studies

#### **D. Outside Minor:**

A candidate must complete a minimum of 12 credit hours in an outside minor field. The minor department or program determines which courses satisfy this requirement. The minor is normally in a disciplinary department. It should complement the student's research interests and should be chosen in consultation with his/her advisor.

#### **E. Electives:**

Electives or "open" courses may include any graduate-credit Department courses at the 500-level or above not used to satisfy other requirements, or any other graduate-level courses, including Advanced Readings courses (12 cr.).

#### **F. Thesis Research:**

Students complete the remainder of the 90 credit hours required by the College of Arts and Sciences by enrolling in CEUS-R 890 Ph.D. Thesis. The grades (and credit) for these courses is deferred until the completion of the dissertation.

### **Research Languages**

Students must demonstrate reading proficiency in two modern scholarly research languages, in accordance with the regulations of the University Graduate School. This may be done by taking proficiency examinations through the relevant departments, or by completing with a "B" grade or better the 491-492 courses offered in some of these languages. According to Graduate School regulations, **these credit hours do not count toward the over-all Ph.D. requirement of 90 hours.** Completion of one of the two Research Language requirements is a prerequisite for admission to the Ph.D. program.

#### **G. Research Language I**

Reading proficiency in a modern research language such as French, German, or Russian. The student must have acquired the first research language at the M.A. level of study.

#### **H. Research Language II**

Reading proficiency in a second research language most relevant to the student's field of specialization. The second language may be French, German, or Russian, or an appropriate language may be substituted with the written approval of the majority of the student's advisory committee. For example, Swedish may be an appropriate research language for a student in Finnish, or Japanese may be appropriate for Mongolian studies, depending on the particular subject of study within the major. Determination of proficiency is made on a case-by-case basis.

## **Examination**

The student may take the Ph.D. examination only after fulfilling all the requirements for the Ph.D. (M.A. degree, specified Ph.D. courses, outside minor, and both research languages).

### **Ph.D. Examination: Written and Oral**

The student will be examined in two fields with a separate faculty examiner for each field. The written portion of the qualifying examination will be two hours long for each of the two fields in which the student is to be examined. Prior to the exam, the student, in consultation with his/her examiners, will prepare an examination reading list for each field. These reading lists must include works in both the language of specialization and the research languages. These reading lists will be kept on file with the examinations. Each of the faculty examiners will prepare three or four questions, of which the student will answer two, allowing approximately one hour for each questions.

Students should check with their minor department about its policy on Ph.D. qualifying exams. If no examination is required for the minor, the student should ask for an official waiver.

The oral examination will be given within two weeks of the written examination. At least three examiners must be present at the oral examination. Students with waiver for the outside minor must secure a third faculty member from the Department as an examiner at the orals. Oral examinations will be scheduled for two hours and will last no less than 90 minutes.

Unsatisfactory performance in one field of the written examination will require that the student successfully complete that part of the examination at a later time, before the oral examination can be taken. Failing marks in two fields of the written examination will constitute failure in the written part. The student may not take that part again in the same semester. Two failures in the written examination result in withdrawal of permission for the student to work toward a degree in the Department. Unsatisfactory performance in one field of the oral examination will require repetition of that part of the examination. Failing marks in two fields of the oral examination will constitute failure in the oral part and the student will not be allowed to take that part again in the same semester. Two failures in the oral part of the examination will result in withdrawal of permission for the student to work toward a degree in the Department.

## **Dissertation**

The student must follow the regulations stated in the University Graduate School Bulletin and in the "Guide to the Preparation of Theses and Dissertations."

### **J. Ph.D. Dissertation**

The student must submit a dissertation to his or her Ph.D. research committee and obtain its approval of the finished product.

### **K. Defense of the Dissertation**

As a final examination, the student must defend the dissertation before his or her research committee and other University members who may wish to attend. A successful defense and submission to the Graduate School of the completed and corrected dissertation results in the awarding of a Ph.D. degree in Central Eurasian Studies.

## **Summary of Ph.D. Requirements**

A. Region of Specialization (12 cr.).....	12
B. Language of Specialization and Linguistics (9 cr.).....	9
C. One 700-level Seminar (3 cr.).....	3
D. Minor Field (12 cr.).....	12
E. Electives (12 or more cr.).....	12
F. Thesis Research (12 cr. Of R890 or additional elective courses).....	12
G. Research Language I (no cr.)	
H. Research Language II (no cr.)	
I. Ph.D. Examination (no cr.)	
J. Ph.D. Dissertation (no cr.)	
K. Defense of Dissertation (no cr.)	
Total (minimum) credit hours at the Ph.D. level.....	60
Total (minimum) credit hours at the M.A. level.....	<u>30</u>
Total (minimum) credit hours for a Ph.D. degree...	90

## **PH.D. MINOR REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDENTS IN OTHER DEPARTMENTS**

Ph.D. students majoring in other departments may take a minor in the Department of Central Eurasian Studies. This shall consist of 12 credit hours of courses taught in the department of which no more than 6 credits are language credit hours. The specific courses used to complete the minor in Central Eurasian Studies shall be approved in writing by the department faculty member who is selected by the student to serve on the student's Ph.D. qualifying committee as an outside minor representative. Students pursuing a minor are encouraged to identify a faculty advisor in the department as early as possible so that a well-integrated program of study can be established.