MA Portfolio – Emphasis in Rhetoric and Composition (38 credit hours)

I. Graded Courses [27 credits]

A. Foundations
- 501: Seminar in the Methodology of Composition 3 credits
- 502: Contemporary Theories of Composition 3 credits

B. Rhetoric and Composition. 9 semester credits from the following:
- 508: Seminar in Assessment of Writing
- 509: Seminar in Classical Rhetoric and its Influences,
- 515: Contemporary Theories of Rhetoric
- 531: Administering a Writing Program
- 532: Teaching Writing to Nontraditional Student,
- 534: Theories and Methods of the Teaching of Technical and Professional Writing
- 597: Topics in Composition and Rhetoric

   1. ___________________________ 3 credits
   2. ___________________________ 3 credits
   3. ___________________________ 3 credits

C. Linguistics. Minimum of 3 semester hours from the following:
- 543: Phonology
- 544: Syntax
- 546: Topics in Teaching English as a Second Language
- 554: History of the English Language

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D. Other Required Courses. Electives (3 courses from any English 500 level offering and no more than 1 course of non-graduate coursework from 300- 400-level courses):

   1. ___________________________ 3 credits
   2. ___________________________ 3 credits
   3. ___________________________ 3 credits

II. Non-Graded Courses [11 credits minimum]

A. Required for Students with Teaching Assistantships:
- English 598: Teaching Apprenticeship [3 credits]
  (1st Sem) Directed Study in the Writing Center 1 credit
  (2nd Sem) Weekly Colloquium on Freshman Comp 1 credit
  (3rd or 4th Sem) Mentored Teaching 1 credit

B. Required for Students with Teaching Assistantships:
- English 600 Special Projects or Independent Study [4 credits, 1 credit per semester]
  1st Semester Engl 600 Special Projects or Ind. Study 1 credit
  2nd Semester Engl 600 Special Projects or Ind. Study 1 credit
  3rd Semester Engl 600 Special Projects or Ind. Study 1 credit
  4th Semester Engl 600 Special Projects or Ind. Study 1 credit
C. Masters Research, Thesis, and/or Examination [4 credits, 1 credit per semester minimum]
   • 1st Semester Engl 702: Directed Study and/or Exam 1 credit ______  ______
   • 2nd Semester Engl 702: Directed Study and/or Exam 1 credit ______  ______
   • 3rd Semester Engl 702: Directed Study and/or Exam 1 credit ______  ______
   • 4th Semester Engl 702: Directed Study and/or Exam 1 credit ______  ______

III. Additional Requirements:

   A. Foreign Language Requirement:
      • Passed Graduate Foreign Language Translation Exam, or Date completed __________
        Complete six hours of graduate-level study of modern linguistics of TESOL (This option is only
        available to M.A. students in Rhetoric and Composition)

   B. MA Conference Presentation Date completed __________

   C. Portfolio Date completed __________

   D. Written Exam Date completed __________

   E. Oral Examination Date completed __________

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