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205.46.1 General Information

The Department of Modern Languages and Cultural Studies confers Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy degrees in French, German, Italian, Russian, Spanish, and Ukrainian. All MA programs, except for Humanities Computing, are available either as thesis- or course-based.

The Department focuses on individual language areas such as Studies in French, German, Italian, Russian, Spanish, and Ukrainian as well as offers interdisciplinary possibilities.

The Graduate programs cover a broad spectrum of research on the Francophone, Germanic, Spanish, and Slavic worlds from a multiplicity of chronological and theoretical perspectives. Specific interests include literary and cultural studies, language pedagogy, applied linguistics, translation, folklore, postcolonialism, women's studies, medieval and early modern studies, modernism, postmodernism, the avant-garde, and humanities computing. MLCS has a unique competence to emphasize multidisciplinary and cross-linguistic approaches both within and without the department, while at the same time retaining the capacity to deliver complete individualized programs in discrete fields and languages.

Requests for information should be addressed to the Graduate Programs Office, Department of Modern Languages and Cultural Studies.

Entrance Requirements

The Department’s minimum admission requirement for the MA program is a four-year undergraduate degree with an average of at least 3.0 in the last two years of undergraduate work at the University of Alberta, or an equivalent qualification from a recognized institution. The requirement for the PhD program is an MA degree in the area of specialization. Where applicable, a TOEFL score of 550 (paper-based) or 88 (internet-based), or other acceptable English language proficiency test is required (see §203.2.4).

Applicants for graduate work must have a competent reading knowledge of at least one of the following languages: French, German, Italian, Russian, Spanish, or Ukrainian, in order to undertake graduate programs.

Financial Assistance

Financial assistance in the form of scholarships and graduate

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The Graduate programs cover a broad spectrum of research on the Francophone, Germanic, Spanish, and Slavic worlds from various chronological, interdisciplinary and theoretical perspectives. Specific interests include literary and cultural studies, language pedagogy, applied linguistics, translation, folklore, postcolonialism, gender studies, medieval and early modern studies, modernism, postmodernism, the avant-garde, and humanities computing. MLCS has a unique competence to emphasize multidisciplinary and cross-linguistic approaches both within and without the department, while at the same time retaining the capacity to deliver complete individualized programs in discrete fields and languages.

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Assistantships are available to qualified students. For further information contact the Graduate Programs Office of the Department, www.mlcs.ca, and www.gradstudies.ualberta.ca. In order to be considered for Teaching or Research assistantships, complete applications should be submitted no later than March 15. Applicants seeking support through university-administered awards/scholarships must apply before December 1.

### 205.46.1.1 Areas of Specialization

- Applied Linguistics (French, German, Russian, Spanish, Ukrainian)
- French Language, Literatures, and Linguistics
- Germanic Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics
- Humanities Computing
- Italian Studies
- Slavic Languages and Literatures (Russian, Ukrainian)
- Slavic Linguistics (Russian, Ukrainian)
- Spanish and Latin American Studies
- Translation Studies
- Ukrainian Folklore

### 205.46.2 The Degree of MA

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### 205.46.3 The Degree of PhD

Over the duration of their program, students must register in a minimum of *36 credits. In addition to the thesis, a minimum of *27 credits must be in course work.

The Doctoral Candidacy in MLCS is a two-part written and oral examination that must be completed by the end of the first term of a student’s third year. The written examination consists of three parts, each based on topics different from that of the proposed dissertation. All examinations must be completed within 21 days. The oral examination is ordinarily held two weeks after the written examination.

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### 205.46.1.1 Areas of Specialization

The following areas of specialization are offered in the MA (course-based), MA (thesis-based) and PhD programs, unless noted otherwise.

- Applied Linguistics (French, German, Russian, Spanish, Ukrainian) (MA only)
- French Language, Literatures, and Linguistics
- Germanic Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics
- Humanities Computing (course-based MA only)
- Italian Studies (MA only)
- Slavic Languages and Literatures (Russian, Ukrainian)
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- Spanish and Latin American Studies
- Translation Studies
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## 205.50.2 The Degree of MN

The MN program is an intensive practicum-based experience, intended to enhance knowledge and skills in the following five main areas: clinical and community practice, research and evidence-based practice, leadership/management, teaching/learning, and inter-professional practice. It includes practicum opportunities in various areas: clinical, leadership, teaching and research. Those students who choose a clinical focus may, upon completion of the MN program, apply for Nurse Practitioner (NP) Adult licensure with the College and

### 205.50.2 The Degree of MN

The MN program aims to prepare graduates to:

- Demonstrate in-depth knowledge in advanced nursing practice.
- Engage in reflection, to think critically, and to act with scientific integrity in scholarly endeavors.
- Facilitate the learning process and participate in activities that influence health and healthcare policy.
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Association of Registered Nurses of Alberta (CARN). In addition, students can receive a specialization in Aging focusing on older adults in an acute or continuing care setting or in a community or home care setting. The specialization in Aging is indicated on the student’s transcript and degree at program completion.

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- Understand the interaction of the nursing profession with social, political, economic, and historical forces.

Students in the MN program can select a thesis or course-based route. Students may choose to complete a specialization in Aging. Students who choose a clinical focus may upon completion of the MN program, apply for Nurse Practitioner (NP) Adult licensure with the College and Association of Registered Nurses of Alberta (CARN). See the Faculty of Nursing website for further information about available clinical areas of focus.

To read more about the MN program see the Faculty of Nursing website. Additional important information on graduate studies at University of Alberta is available on the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research website (see also FGSR Scholarships and Awards).

### Entrance Requirements

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### 205.50.3 The Degree of PhD

#### Entrance Requirements

Applicants are sought who have a health background, an excellent scholastic record, and a demonstrated commitment to research. Applicants are selected by an admission committee and potential supervisor(s) on the basis of academic and research potential as evidenced in past grades, publications, presentations, and academic awards; letters of reference; synopsis of academic, research, and professional plans/expectations; scholarly work; and current curriculum vitae. The minimum requirements for entrance are (1) a relevant master's degree from the University of Alberta (or its equivalent) with a GPA of 3.0 on the 4-point scale; (2) appointment of an appropriate supervisor; (3) satisfactory letters of reference; (4) academic, research, and professional plans which are acceptably stated, logically developed, and congruent with the PhD program and the supervisor's research program; and (5) where applicable, evidence of proficiency in the English language (a satisfactory score on an approved English language test such as a TOEFL score of 550). Meeting the minimum requirements does not guarantee admission.

#### Program Requirements

Student programs are designed under the direction of a supervisor/supervisory committee in relation to the student's background, dissertation interests, career goals, and learning needs in the areas of nursing theory, nursing research, nursing practice, and nursing history. The only required course is the Dissertation Seminar (NURS 699) which is compulsory for two terms.

### Program Mission

Within a research-intensive context, the Faculty of Nursing’s PhD Program exists to prepare nursing scholars for the 21st century who are able to generate new knowledge and facilitate change to advance healthcare outcomes and nursing within a global context.

### Program Vision

Students in the PhD Program are engaged in and educated for excellence in the development, organization and evaluation of new knowledge. The Program is characterized by rigour, flexibility and relevance: rigour in the quality of scholarship and flexibility within and relevance to the discipline of nursing and the student’s career goals and research interests. See the Faculty of Nursing website for full description of Program and Principles underlying it.

The graduate will exhibit competencies in each of the following core qualities:

- Advancing nursing
- Enhancing scholarship
- Mobilizing knowledge
- Extending inquiry
- Leading Change

#### Entrance Requirements

The **minimum requirements** are:

1. Master's degree in Nursing from the University of Alberta, or equivalent qualifications from a recognized institution. **Students who do not hold the equivalent to this degree may be admitted and**
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Students will progress through (1) a written comprehensive examination at the end of their coursework; (2) an oral PhD candidacy examination (including defense of their thesis proposal); and (3) a final oral examination.

The minimum period of residence on campus is one Fall or Winter Term, or two Spring or Summer Terms.

Length of Program

The time required to complete the program will vary according to the student’s coursework requirements and the extent of the research project. Normally, a minimum of three years is required. All requirements for the degree must be completed within six years of the student’s registration for the degree.

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Upon acceptance into the PhD in Nursing program, the following additional requirements may apply:

1. **College and Association of Registered Nurses of Alberta (CARN) Registration**
   It is strongly recommended that students enrolled in the PhD program are registered as active members in the College and Association of Registered Nurses of Alberta (CARN). Detailed information is available from the Registrar of CARN (see www.nurses.ab.ca). Students who wish to work as teaching assistants must have CARN registration. The process of registration can take several months. Students should begin the application process as soon as they receive their letter of admission.

2. **Immunization**
   Students admitted to the graduate program must be up-to-date in their immunizations. To determine if your immunizations are up-to-date, please contact the University of Alberta Health Centre.
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**Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Certification (CPR)**
Students may be asked to provide evidence of cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) certification at the Basic Rescuer Level.

**Program Requirements**
For each student, advancement of the core qualities described in the program vision, will occur through a combination of activities, learning experiences and skills derived from supervision, course participation, scholarly experiences, various other activities and outputs, engagement with faculty and colleagues and reflection. These activities will occur in and outside of the Faculty of Nursing.

All students take the following 4 courses in the first two years:

- NURS 600 – Theory Development in
- NURS 601 – Advanced Inquiry
- NURS 609 – Synthesizing Knowledge
- INT D 690 – Topics in Knowledge Utilization

In addition, in consultation with the supervisor and based on program plans students are expected to take design / method / analysis courses and one three-credit dissertation seminar (NURS 699).

Typically students take a total of 7-10 doctoral level courses which could include nursing history, research methods, statistics and philosophy of science as well as courses in the student’s substantive area. The number and type of courses will vary according to the student’s academic background, experience and career goals. The majority of courses are offered face to face and a few are offered via e-learning.

The minimum period of residence on campus is one Fall or Winter Term, or two Spring or Summer Terms. However, the Faculty of Nursing may require that a student spend more than the stated minimum time on campus.

**Examinations**
There are three examinations during the PhD program:

- The Comprehensive Examination at the completion of the coursework, typically at the end of 2nd year.
- The Doctoral Candidacy Exam which must be completed by the end of the 3rd year.
- The Doctoral Final Oral Exam.

English is the language of study. All requirements for the degree must normally be completed within six years from the time a student first registers as a graduate student.

**Financial Assistance and Scholarships**:
The Faculty of Nursing and Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research offer many opportunities for scholarships and assistance to qualified graduate students.