

Requirements for the Ph.D. in Germanic Studies

Prerequisite:
M.A. in German or Scandinavian or equivalent. Students should have native or near-native fluency in German or one Scandinavian language.

Minimum of 30 credits: 18 cr in major (24 cr if MA not completed in GSD), 12 cr in supporting program or designated minor

Courses
• 5 electives (15 cr) in German or Scandinavian literature/culture beyond the M.A.
• GSD 8801, Dissertation Seminar (3 cr)
• 12 credits (usually 4 courses) in courses outside the major or a designated minor. Two of these courses may be the outside courses from the GSD M.A.
  If not taken at the M.A. level, the following courses are required:
• GSD 5103, Teaching of Germanic Languages (3 cr)
• GSD 8001, Approaches to Textual Analysis (3 cr)

Students have the option of electing a track (either German or Germanic Medieval Studies), though this is not required. The track would appear on the student’s transcript. The requirements for a track are: four of the five electives and the dissertation topic must be in the track.

Other Requirements
• Language requirement: Reading competence in two languages or a high degree of proficiency in one language other than English or the language of emphasis.
• Ph.D. Reading List
• Written & Oral Preliminary Examinations
• Dissertation Prospectus
• Teaching: Students are required to complete at least one year of teaching.
• 24 thesis credits
• Dissertation and defense