

Italian M.A. Requirements

The MA in Italian requires a minimum of 30 credit hours to degree (10 courses + language); courses taken Pass/Fail do not count towards the degree.	
8 graduate literature/culture courses within the Department, for a <i>letter grade</i> . (<i>Mandatory Distribution:</i> 3 courses must be set in the period before 1600, 3 courses must be set in the period before after 1600.)	1)
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1 course from another department, chosen in consultation with the Director of Graduate Studies (DGS) *, for <i>R credit</i>	9)
1 course in- or outside of the Department. Courses from other departments must be approved by the DGS.: <i>R credit</i>	10)
Language Requirement: Students must acquire reading ability in a foreign language appropriate to his or her prospective field of specialization, satisfied by passing a written proficiency examination or by completing an approved course (Intermediate II level or higher) with a minimum grade of B-. The choice of languages will be made upon consultation with the DGS.	
*The Director of Graduate Studies (DGS) serves as the primary adviser for M.A. students.	
N.B. YOU MUST APPLY FOR THE M.A. at: http://registrar.columbia.edu/content/application-degree-or-certificate	
Students are required to maintain good academic standing. This includes, but is not limited to:	
Good Academic Standing:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Maintaining consistent contact with their advisor 2. Maintaining a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.0 3. Holding no more than one mark of Incomplete at any given time. 	
Good Administrative Standing:	
Students are expected to remain in compliance with all applicable administrative policies and procedures of the university, including those of the Columbia Libraries , University Apartment Housing , and the Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards , as well as the regulations described in Essential Policies for the Columbia Community .	
Good Academic Progress:	
The Graduate School considers progress toward the MA degree to be minimally satisfactory when progress is made at a rate that will allow a student to complete the degree within four consecutive terms of full-time study, students in that program must complete the degree within eight consecutive terms of full-time study. Students will be evaluated annually to ensure that they are progressing at a pace that will allow them to complete their degree within the maximum time frame. This evaluation will be based on the number of credits that a student has completed of those attempted.	
Students must also maintain a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0. The cumulative GPA is derived from all courses in which a student has registered and received a grade. Students may not hold more than one mark of Incomplete at a time.	
Master's students in the programs listed below may, over a four-year period , pursue a program of part-time study leading to the MA degree. The half and quarter Residence Units are designed to accommodate part-time students in these programs. Students enrolled in these programs may register for half and quarter Residence Unit registration categories during the summer. For further information, see Summer Session .	