Dear Elliot, Valarie, and Colleagues:

Thank you for the detailed comments. I wondered about this very issue when I made the submission. I knew that we only had one M.A. and one Ph.D., but frankly I couldn't figure out how to present the complex information about tracks and subtracks on PACER (and, of course, I left myself no time to consult). My apologies...

I have added some responses in blue to Elliot's remarks; please let me know if you need further information, and please advise me on what action to take. If there is any way to do this without a full-scale resubmission, I would be grateful, as I am on sabbatical (my first in 18 years at OSU).

With best wishes,
Dan Collins

Much of my concern flows from what may (or may not) have been a submission requirement of the PACER system—four submissions instead of two for "four degree programs" as identified in the College's cover memo and as implied in the submitted documentation for both Master’s and Ph.D degrees "in" Slavic and East European Languages and Literature Linguistics- 3 Tracks, and Slavic and East European Languages and Literature "in" Literature, Film and Cultural Studies."

Adding somewhat to our confusion is the fact that the Linguistics programs are denoted in the cover letter as "non-transcriptable" while no such notation is added to the Literature, Film and Cultural Studies programs which may suggest that they are, in contrast, seen as transcriptable.

The intention was to have the following programs:

1. M.A. in Slavic and East European Languages and Literatures (specializations: a) Slavic Linguistics; b) Slavic Literature, Film, and Cultural Studies)
2. Ph.D. in Slavic and East European Languages and Literatures (specializations: a) Slavic Linguistics; b) Slavic Literature, Film, and Cultural Studies)

The specializations should be treated the same as far as transcriptability is concerned; they should both be transcriptable (our preference) or else neither transcriptable.

Perhaps the best approach to seeking clarification here is to indicate what the Graduate School recognizes as degree programs in Slavic and East European Languages and Literatures which can serve to underscore where, we think, the present submissions are in error. If you agree, simply let us know, if not, please explain further.

1. The degrees that are authorized to Ohio State in your program are the Masters and the Ph.D in Slavic and East European Languages and Literatures. There are no authorized degrees, as the submissions suggest, in SEELL Linguistics or in SEELL Literature, Film and Cultural Studies.
Agreed; it was not our intention to have 4 degrees, only 2 degrees with 2 specializations.

2. It appears to us that what you are submitting and characterizing as degree programs in SEEL Linguistics and SEELL Literature, Film and Cultural Studies are, simply, alternative “tracks” for the authorized Masters or Ph.D in SEELL, with three “sub-tracks” in the Linguistics domain.

Agreed.

3. I am copying Tim Watson for confirmation, however it is my recollection/understanding that neither of your two tracks to the degree or the three sub-tracks in the Linguistics area have been approved for transcript designations. That can be accomplished but, however, is not the present status of the tracks or sub-tracks.

Please let me know what I should do to have the tracks (specializations) approved for transcript designations.

Hopefully, we are in agreement on each of the above points. If not, we will need to discuss further at CAA.

We are in agreement.

Assuming that these preliminary concerns can be addressed or clarified, there are some additional matters that need to be reconciled/clarified in what we have characterized above as the “track” submissions.

1. The Slavic Linguistics MA track indicates on CAA 1 that 32 hours are required for the degree. On CAA 10 it indicates that 34 hours are required, but my eyeballing addition suggests the correct requirement is 32 hours. Please clarify.

I do not know what CAA 1 and CAA 10 are, but the correct figure is 32:

1) 6 cr synchronic linguistics
2) 6 cr diachronic linguistics
3) 3 cr second language acquisition
4) 6 cr non-Russian
5) 2 cr professionalization forum
6) 3 cr M.A. paper
7) 6 cr electives

2. The Slavic Linguistics Ph.D track indicates that there are 50 required hours on CAA 1, which we understand to be post-MA hours with at least 30 hours (likely 32?) transferred from the MA to reach the Graduate School’s 80 (82) credit hour requirement for the Ph.D.

Correct—50 cr + 32 transferred cr

3. That said, the Slavic Linguistics Ph.D track further indicates (CAA 1) that the prerequisite hours not included above amount to 34. Should that be 32? (see 2 above). Even more curious, on CAA 5 the number of prerequisite hours is listed as 33. Please clarify and reconcile what the track requires. Is it simply the MA transfer? If so, I think the answer is 32.

It should be 32, i.e., the M.A. transfer.

4. More substantively, the Graduate School has concerns (for both Ph.D tracks) regarding the ability of students, with their transferred Masters credits, to actually meet the course requirements for the Ph.D since there is such extensive overlap between the course menu for both and the distribution requirements for the two degrees. Put differently, it appears that the vast majority of Ph.D courses available for the categorical
choices will already have been taken as similarly meeting the MA degree requirements. Are we misunderstanding something here? Are all of these MA/Ph.D requirement repeatable multiple times? Otherwise, we don’t know how course requirements for the Ph.D can be met successfully.

Please understand that I am not trying to be argumentative when I say that we had the opposite impression: we proposed overlaps in the course menus for M.A. and Ph.D. for the sake of flexibility, because we have a small faculty and were planning for a 3- or 4-year rotation for most courses. (Russian 6601, 6602, 7601, 7602, and 7802 will be on 2-year rotations, and the Professionalization Forum will be every semester.) Note, too, that many of the electives are in the Linguistics Department.

Here is a bingo sheet; the numbers before the courses correspond to the requirements in the proposal.

**Autumn**

**Spring Either Sem**

**M.A. Year 1**

1. Russian 6601 (Synchronous 1)
2. Russian 6602 (Synchronous 2)
3. Lit/Cult elective
   (Slavic 7801 Pedagogy)
4. Slavic 7802 (SLA) 5. Prof forum
5. Linguistics elective
   (Transferrable spec course)
6. Slavic 6999 (M.A. Paper)

**Ph.D. Year 1**

1. Non-Russian sequence 2a
2. Non-Russian sequence 2b
3. Spec course(s)
4. Slavic 7999 (Post-M.A. paper)
5. Spec course(s)—Linguistics Dept.
6. Prof forum
7. Lit/Cult course

**Ph.D. Year 2**

1. Non-Russian sequence 3a
2. Non-Russian sequence 3b
3. Spec course(s)
4. Slavic 7999 (Candidacy prep)
5. Spec course(s)—Linguistics Dept.
6. Elective
7. Prof forum

**Ph.D. Year 3**

8 Slavic 8999
8. Slavic 8999
This is how it is supposed to work in theory; how it works in practice will depend on how efficiently the department schedules rotations. But we are dealing with a small enough group of students that we can easily adapt to circumstances. Moreover, the Slavic linguistics meet regularly to plan/oversee the program, so we will be monitoring the rotation.

5. Moving to the SEELL Literature, Film and Cultural Studies tracks (both MA and Ph.D.), the concerns detailed above are repeated here. In addition, please note for the Masters (CAA 1) that the SEELL degree requirement, per se, is 32 hours (see above, point 1)—with 34 hours required for the completion of this particular track—just a point of clarification.

Correct: the M.A. should have 32 cr required, with 34 required for the Literature, Film, and Cultural Studies track.

1) Pedagogical Training: 3 cr

2) Russian Literature/Cultural Studies: 9 cr
3) Introduction to Film/film theory: 3 cr
4) Theory: 3 cr
5) Electives: 9 cr
6) Russian linguistics: 3 cr
7) Professionalization forum: 1–3 cr
8) M.A. Paper: 3 cr

6. Relatedly, in the SEELL Literature, Film and Cultural Studies Ph.D. track it indicates (CAA 1) that 50 hours are needed for the degree which, as above, we take to mean 50 hours post-Masters to reach our required 80. Here, however, the prerequisite required hours not listed above is listed as 34-36. As per point 5 above, shouldn’t it be 34 (and 84)?

Correct—50 cr + 34 transferred cr

7. See point 4 above—Same concerns raised here.

This isn’t my half of the department (I am a linguist), so I’ve taken my Lit/Cult colleagues’ word for their program being feasible. However, I think there is less of a risk for Lit/Cult than for Linguistics (see #4), because they have a larger faculty.

If you like, I can consult with them and draw up a bingo sheet for their half of the program as well. Their national conference begins on Thursday, so I don’t think I’ll be able to communicate with them prior to next week.

Beyond all of these concerns about degree programs versus tracks—and their differing requirements both with respect to credit hours and substance, we would like to raise two questions for pondering in the program that don’t need to be resolved now if all of the above concerns are addressed/clarified successfully. Specifically:

1. Should the tracks (sub-tracks) that have been identified be transcriptable? Would that help to delineate what you appear to consider to be separable programs and to “credential” students in helpful ways?

Yes, that would help.
2. Do you really wish for these tracks to be separate Master’s and Doctoral programs as per the actual submission? On their face, there appear to be good reasons for, perhaps, moving in this direction with two “spinoff” degrees at the Masters and Doctoral level if that is what you really deliver. If so, we should discuss the necessary processes to move down that road.

We do not feel that we need to have more than 1 M.A. and 1 Ph.D. degree at this time.
Status: PENDING

PROGRAM REQUEST
Linguistics Specialization

Last Updated: Myers, Dena Elizabeth
08/29/2011

Fiscal Unit/Academic Org
Slavic/East European Lang&Lit - D0593

Administrating College/Academic Group
Humanities

Co-administering College/Academic Group
Arts And Sciences

Semester Conversion Designation
Re-envisioned with significant changes to program goals and/or curricular requirements (e.g., degree/major name changes, changes in program goals, changes in core requirements, structural changes to tracks/options/courses)

Current Program/Plan Name
Slavic Languages and Literature

Proposed Program/Plan Name
Linguistics Specialization

Program/Plan Code Abbreviation
SLAVEES-MA

Current Degree Title
Master of Arts

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Program Learning Goals

Note: these are required for all undergraduate degree programs and majors now, and will be required for all graduate and professional degree programs in 2012. Nonetheless, all programs are encouraged to complete these now.

Program Learning Goals

• 1. M.A. students develop analytic skills by examining linguistic approaches to the structure of Russian, so that they can relate the data, concepts, and methods to issues of theory, analyze data, and apply the approaches to new research

• 2. M.A. students develop analytic skills by examining linguistic approaches to the history of Russian so that they can relate the data, concepts, and methods to issues of theory, analyze data, and apply the approaches to new research.

• 3. M.A. students develop analytic skills by examining approaches, methods and concepts of SLA so that so that they can relate the data concepts, and methods to issues of theory, analyze data, and apply the approaches in new research.

• 4. M.A. students gain a reading knowledge of a second Slavic language or Balkan language sufficient to enable them to work with primary sources and develop their analytic skills by examining major issues in the linguistics of that language.

• 5. M.A. students develop skills sufficient to complete a research paper, present it in a professional forum, react constructively to feedback, and provide feedback to colleagues. They will gain understanding of significant cultural phenomena.
Assessment

Assessment plan includes student learning goals, how those goals are evaluated, and how the information collected is used to improve student learning. An assessment plan is required for undergraduate majors and degrees. Graduate and professional degree programs are encouraged to complete this now, but will not be required to do so until 2012.

Is this a degree program (undergraduate, graduate, or professional) or major proposal? Yes

Does the degree program or major have an assessment plan on file with the university Office of Academic Affairs? No

Program Specializations/Sub-Plans

If you do not specify a program specialization/sub-plan it will be assumed you are submitting this program for all program specializations/sub-plans.

Pre-Major

Does this Program have a Pre-Major? No

Attachments

* M.A. Linguistics Chair’s.pdf
  (Letter from Program-offering Unit. Owner: Collins,Daniel Enright)

* 5. Linguistics M.A.doc
  (Program Proposal. Owner: Collins,Daniel Enright)

* 5a. Curriculum Map Linguistics M.A.docx
  (Curricular Map(s). Owner: Collins,Daniel Enright)

* A and H CL.SEELL.G.doc: A and H Cover Letter
  (Letter from the College to OAA. Owner: Williams,Valarie Lucille)

Comments

* I’m not sure I properly understood the comment “List out all courses on map.” I added footnotes listing all the possible courses where there are options. (by Collins,Daniel Enright on 03/14/2011 07:39 PM)

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August 1, 2011

Elliot Slotnick, Associate Dean
The Graduate School

Dear Elliot,

The Disciplinary Advisory Committee for Curriculum from the Division of Arts and Humanities within the College of Arts and Sciences met, reviewed, and unanimously approved the proposal for semester versions of the MA and PhD in Slavic and Eastern European Languages and Literatures from the Department of Slavic and Eastern European Languages and Literatures, with an ultimate unanimous vote in March 2011. The committee focused on re-arrangement of the information and clarity of the proposal.

The proposals have curricular maps, transition plans, and listings of coursework for quarters and semesters. All four degrees are moving forward with *re-envisioned status*.

**MA in Slavic and East European Languages and Literatures with a Specialization in Linguistics with three individual tracks (non-transcriptable)**

**PhD in Slavic and East European Languages and Literatures with a Specialization in Linguistics with three individual tracks (non-transcriptable)**

**MA in Slavic and East European Languages and Literatures with a Specialization in Slavic Literature, Film, and Cultural Studies**

**PhD in Slavic and East European Languages and Literatures with a Specialization in Slavic Literature, Film, and Cultural Studies**

We are sending these graduate programs forward for review and approval in the next stage of curricular review at the Graduate School and Council on Academic Affairs. The courses that are specific to all of the programs are listed under multiple book 3 listings. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call or email me at 292-5727 or williams.1415@osu.edu.

Thank you for your consideration of these proposals,

Valarie Williams, M.F.A., Ph.D., Professor of Dance
Associate Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, Arts and Humanities

CC: Helena Goscilo, Professor and Chair, Department of Slavic and Eastern European Languages and Literatures
Daniel Collins, Associate Professor and Calendar Conversion Contact, Department of Slavic and Eastern European Languages and Literatures
Mark Shanda, Professor and Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, Arts and Humanities
January 27, 2011

Re: Semester Conversion: M.A. in Slavic and East European Languages, Linguistics Specialization

The proposed changes to the structure of the M.A. in Slavic Linguistics were recommended by a faculty subcommittee consisting of all of the faculty who teach Linguistics (including Second Language Acquisition) in our department. The changes were discussed at full faculty meetings in Spring and early Autumn 2011. During those plenary meetings, the changes were approved in accordance with our standard policy for curricular change, i.e., by majority vote. (The proposed changes were, in fact, carried by full consensus.) The Department proposal was submitted to Valarie Williams, Associate Dean of Arts and Humanities, for college-level review in Autumn 2010.

The rationale for the proposed program changes is laid out in section 10 of the proposal. The transition policy that I have approved is given in section 13 of the proposal.

Thank you very much for your consideration; please let me know if you need further information.

Sincerely yours,

Helena Goscilo, Chair and Professor
SEMESTER CONVERSION PROGRAM PROPOSAL

GENERAL PROGRAM INFORMATION
1. Program: Slavic and East European Languages and Literatures (Slavic Linguistics Specialization)
2. Degree Title: M.A.
3. Academic unit: Slavic and East European Languages and Literatures
4. Type of program: Graduate
5. Semester conversion designation: Converted with significant changes to program goals and/or curricular requirements

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS
6. Program learning goals:
The purpose of the M.A. program in Slavic Linguistics is to provide students (who are likely to have a B.A. in Russian focusing on language skills and culture, and who plan to go on to a Ph.D. in hopes of a career of teaching and research) a theoretical introduction to the three major areas of study in the field of Russian linguistics (synchronic, diachronic, SLA); to give them a deep knowledge of contemporary linguistic approaches to the structure and history of Russian; to enable them to develop an area of secondary specialization in a language or language(s) other than Russian and a breadth of knowledge in related areas (general linguistics and Slavic literature/cultural studies); and to professionalize them so that they will be prepared to conduct independent research, give presentations to conferences, publish articles in peer-reviewed venues, and teach at the college level.

   a. Synchronic Linguistics Requirement: M.A. students develop analytic skills by examining linguistic approaches to the structure of Russian, so that they can relate the data, concepts, and methods to issues of theory, analyze data, and apply the approaches to new research.
   b. Diachronic Linguistics Requirement: M.A. students develop analytic skills by examining linguistic approaches to the history of Russian so that they can relate the data, concepts, and methods to issues of theory, analyze data, and apply the approaches to new research.
   c. SLA Requirement: M.A. students develop analytic skills by examining approaches, methods and concepts of SLA so that so that they can relate the data concepts, and methods to issues of theory, analyze data, and apply the approaches in new research.
   d. Non-Russian Language Requirement: M.A. students gain a reading knowledge of a second Slavic language or Balkan language sufficient to enable them to work with primary sources and develop their analytic skills by examining major issues in the linguistics of that language.
   e. Professionalization Requirement: M.A. students develop skills sufficient to complete a research paper, present it in a professional forum, react constructively to feedback, and provide feedback to colleagues. They will gain understanding of significant cultural phenomena.
7. Semester course requirements and list of semester courses:

1) Synchronic Linguistics Requirement (6):
   - Russian 6601  Structure of Russian 1 (3)
   - Russian 6602  Structure of Russian 2 (3)

2) Diachronic Linguistics Requirement (6)
   - Russian 6701  History of Russian 1 (3)
   - Russian 6702  History of Russian 2 (3)

3) Second Language Acquisition Requirement (3):
   - Slavic 7802  Cognitive Aspects of SLA (3)
   (Another SLA course may be substituted with permission of advisor.)

4) Non-Russian Language Requirement: choose one of the following sequences (6):
   a. South Slavic
      - Slavic 7621  Reading Course in a South Slavic Language (3)
      - Slavic 7622  South Slavic Linguistics (3)
   b. West Slavic
      - Slavic 7623  Reading Course in a West Slavic Language (3)
      - Slavic 7624  West Slavic Linguistics (3)
   c. Old Church Slavonic
      - Slavic 7625  Old Church Slavonic (3) and one of the following:
        - Slavic 7626  Linguistic Prehistory of Slavic (3)
        - Slavic 8741  Medieval Slavic Workshop (6)
   d. Balkan
      - E Eur LL 7627  Reading Course in a Balkan Language (3)
      - E Eur LL 7628  Balkan Linguistics (3)

5) Slavic Linguistics Professionalization Forum: take at least 2 semesters (2)
   - Slavic 6600  Slavic Linguistics Professionalization Forum (1; repeatable for credit)

6) M.A. Paper (3)
   - Slavic 6999  Master's Thesis (3)

7) Electives (6)
   - 1 general linguistics course at the 5000-level or above (3)
     - Recommended:
       - Linguistics 5001  Formal Foundations
       - Linguistics 5101  Phonetic Theory 1
       - Linguistics 5201  Syntactic Theory 1
       - Linguistics 5301  Phonological Theory 1
       - Linguistics 5351  Morphological Theory
       - Linguistics 5901  Historical Linguistics
       - Linguistics 5701  Introduction to Psycholinguistics
- Linguistics 5601  Qualitative Sociolinguistics
- Linguistics 5602  Quantitative Sociolinguistics

- 1 Russian or 1 Slavic or East European literature/cultural studies course at the 5000-level or above (3):
  - Russian 5530  Madness and the Mad in Russian Culture (3)
  - Russian 5674  Russian Opera & Identity (3)
  - Russian 6252  19c Russian Literature (3)
  - Russian 6253  20–21c Russian Literature (3)
  - Russian 6254  Russian Literary Genres (3)
  - Russian 7250  The Russian Writer (3)
  - Russian 7356  Gender, Feminism, & Russian Women’s Culture (3)
  - Russian 8550  Seminar in Russian Literature, Film, Culture (3)
  - Slavic 5280  Slavic & East European Literature (3)
  - Slavic 5570  Austro-Hungarian Grotesque (3)
  - Slavic 6457  Film Theory, Gender, and National Identity in Slavic Cinema (3)
  - Slavic 7370  Violence & Alterity in the Balkans (3)
  - Slavic 7455  Film Adaptations of Slavic Literature (3)
  - Slavic 7480  Slavic Film Directors (3)
  - Slavic 7500  Proseminar in East European Literary & Cultural Studies (3)

(Another literature/cultural studies course may be substituted with permission of advisor.)
8. Current (quarters-based) and proposed (semesters-based) advising sheet
A. Advising Sheet (Quarter-Based Version)

M.A. in Slavic Linguistics

The Department of Slavic and East European Languages and Literatures offers an M.A. with a specialization in Slavic Linguistics. M.A. reading lists and required texts are available on a CARMEN site for students enrolled in the program.

Requirements
1) **Residency:** At least 2 quarters of residency is required for the M.A. degree.

2) **Language Proficiency:** Prior to the M.A. examination, students must demonstrate a professional level of proficiency in Russian by completing Russian 610 or equivalent (determined by a diagnostic examination) and by passing the Reading, Grammar, and Speaking/Oral Comprehension portions of the departmental Russian Proficiency Exam.

3) **Coursework:** A minimum of 45 graduate credit hours is required for the M.A. degree. No single course may fulfill more than one requirement in the Department's programs. Courses used to satisfy the M.A. requirements may not be used to fulfill the Ph.D. requirements.

**Required coursework (20)**
- Russian 640 Structure of Russian (5)
- Russian 720 History of Russian (5)
- Linguistics 601 Introduction to Linguistics (5) or other 500- or 600-level course in general linguistics, as approved by advisor
- Slavic 999 M.A. Paper (5)

Students taking Plan-B (terminal M.A.; see below) must substitute another course in Russian, Slavic, or general linguistics for Slavic 999.

**Elective coursework (20)**
- 3 electives in Russian/Slavic Linguistics or related fields, as approved by advisor (15)
- One of the following courses in Russian Literature:
  - Russian 650 Dostoevsky (5)
  - Russian 651 Tolstoy (5)
  - Russian 656 Russian Women Writers (5)
  - Russian 750 Pushkin and His Time (5)
  - Russian 751 Gogol' and 19th Century Russian Satire (5)
  - Russian 752 Turgenev, Chekhov, and Aspects of Russian Realism (5)
  - Russian 754 20c Russian Literature
4) Thesis or M.A. Paper: All students who wish to be considered for the Ph.D. program are required to write a substantial original research paper of article length ("M.A. Paper"), which they must present in a public venue (e.g., the Slavic Linguistics Forum). This paper must be approved by their advisory committees prior to the M.A. examinations. If desired, this M.A. Paper may be formatted according to graduate school rules for the M.A. Thesis and filed electronically; in this case, the student's transcript will include the title of the M.A. Paper as if it were a thesis.

5) M.A. Examination: In order to receive the M.A. degree in Slavic Linguistics, all students must pass the M.A. Examination by the end of their sixth quarter of enrollment in the program; three additional quarters are permitted to students working on joint M.A. degrees with the Slavic Center or elsewhere. The written M.A. examination consists of four hour-long questions; this is followed by an oral examination administered by the advisory committee.

6) Admission to the Ph.D. program: Students whose work on the M.A. examination, M.A. paper, and coursework is judged to be of sufficient quality for further graduate study in preparation for a career of university teaching and scholarship will be awarded the summative grade of "High Pass" and admitted to the Ph.D. program in Slavic linguistics.
B. Advising Sheet (Semester-Based Version)

M.A. in Slavic Linguistics

The Department of Slavic and East European Languages and Literatures offers an M.A. with a specialization in Slavic Linguistics. M.A. reading lists and required texts are available on a CARMEN site for students enrolled in the program.

Requirements
1) **Residency:** At least 2 quarters of residency is required for the M.A. degree.

2) **Russian Language Proficiency:** Prior to the M.A. examination, students must demonstrate a professional level of proficiency in Russian by successfully completing the fourth- or fifth-year Russian sequence (4101, 4102 or 5101, 5102, respectively) and by passing the Reading, Grammar, and Speaking/Oral Comprehension portions of the departmental Russian Proficiency Exam.

3) **Coursework (34 units)**

**Required Coursework**

a) Synchronic Linguistics Requirement (6):
   - Russian 6601 Structure of Russian 1 (3)
   - Russian 6602 Structure of Russian 2 (3)

b) Diachronic Linguistics Requirement (6)
   - Russian 6701 History of Russian 1 (3)
   - Russian 6702 History of Russian 2 (3)

c) Second Language Acquisition Requirement (3):
   - Slavic 7802 Cognitive Aspects of SLA (3)
   (Another SLA course may be substituted with permission of advisor.)

d) Non-Russian Language Requirement: choose one of the following sequences (6):
   i) South Slavic Sequence
      - Slavic 7621 Reading Course in a South Slavic Language (3)
      - Slavic 7622 South Slavic Linguistics (3)
   ii) West Slavic Sequence
      - Slavic 7623 Reading Course in a West Slavic Language (3)
      - Slavic 7624 West Slavic Linguistics (3)
   iii) Old Church Slavonic Sequence
      - Slavic 7625 Old Church Slavonic (3)
      - One of the following:
         o Slavic 7626 Linguistic Prehistory of Slavic (3)
         o Slavic 8741 Medieval Slavic Workshop (6)
iv) Balkan Sequence
- E Eur LL 7627 Reading Course in a Balkan Language (3)
- E Eur LL 7628 Balkan Linguistics (3)

e) Slavic Linguistics Professionalization Forum: take at least 2 semesters (2)
- Slavic 6600 Slavic Linguistics Professionalization Forum (1; repeatable for credit)

f) M.A. Paper (3)
- Slavic 6999 Master's Thesis (3)

Elective Coursework (6)
a) 1 general linguistics course at the 5000-level or above (3)
- Linguistics 5001 Formal Foundations (3)
- Linguistics 5101 Phonetic Theory 1 (3)
- Linguistics 5201 Syntactic Theory 1 (3)
- Linguistics 5301 Phonological Theory 1 (3)
- Linguistics 5351 Morphological Theory (3)
- Linguistics 5601 Qualitative Sociolinguistics (3)
- Linguistics 5602 Quantitative Sociolinguistics (3)
- Linguistics 5701 Introduction to Psycholinguistics (3)
- Linguistics 5901 Historical Linguistics (3)
(Another general linguistics course may be substituted with permission of advisor.)

b) 1 Russian or 1 Slavic or East European literature/cultural studies course at the 5000-level or above (3):
- Russian 5530 Madness and the Mad in Russian Culture (3)
- Russian 5674 Russian Opera & Identity (3)
- Russian 6252 19c Russian Literature (3)
- Russian 6253 20–21c Russian Literature (3)
- Russian 6254 Russian Literary Genres (3)
- Russian 7250 The Russian Writer (3)
- Russian 7356 Gender, Feminism, & Russian Women’s Culture (3)
- Russian 8550 Seminar in Russian Literature, Film, Culture (3)
- Slavic 5280 Slavic & East European Literature (3)
- Slavic 5570 Austro-Hungarian Grotesque (3)
- Slavic 6457 Film Theory, Gender, and National Identity in Slavic Cinema (3)
- Slavic 7370 Violence & Alterity in the Balkans (3)
- Slavic 7455 Film Adaptations of Slavic Literature (3)
- Slavic 7480 Slavic Film Directors (3)
- Slavic 7500 Proseminar in East European Literary and Cultural Studies (3)
  (Another literature/cultural studies course may be substituted with permission of advisor.)

4) Thesis or M.A. Paper: All students are required to write an M.A. paper, to revise it in accordance with feedback from their advisory committee, to present it in a public venue (e.g., the Slavic Linguistics Forum) prior to the M.A. examination, and to submit a final draft by the last day of the quarter of graduation from the M.A. program. Students must submit a prospectus for their pre-M.A. paper by no later than the end of their third semester in the M.A. program. If desired, this M.A. Paper may be formatted according to graduate school rules for the M.A. Thesis and filed electronically; in this case, the student's transcript will include the title of the M.A. Paper as if it were a thesis.

5) M.A. Examination: In order to receive the M.A. degree in Slavic Linguistics, all students must pass the M.A. Examination by the end of their sixth quarter of enrollment in the program; three additional quarters are permitted to students working on joint M.A. degrees with the Slavic Center or elsewhere. The written M.A. examination consists of four hour-long questions; this is followed by an oral examination administered by the advisory committee.

6) Admission to the Ph.D. program: Students whose work on the M.A. examination, M.A. paper, and coursework is judged to be of sufficient quality for further graduate study in preparation for a career of university teaching and scholarship will be awarded the summative grade of "High Pass" and admitted to the Ph.D. program in Slavic linguistics.
9. Rationale for proposed program changes

1) **Quarter System**  
R640 Structure of Russian (5)  
**Semester System**  
Synchronic Linguistics Sequence  
R6601 Structure of Russian 1 (3)  
R6602 Structure of Russian 2 (3)  

This change is intended to give students a stronger grounding in one of the fundamental subjects, the structure of Russian, early in their graduate study in order to increase their linguistic sophistication and readiness for research. Previously, Russian 826, the equivalent of R6602, was required in the Ph.D. program. In the proposed program, the second semester of Structure of Russian will be devoted to more advanced topics, including a thorough discussion of relevant works on the M.A. reading list.

2) **Quarter System**  
R720 History of Russian (5)  
**Semester System**  
Diachronic Linguistics Sequence  
R6701 History of Russian 1 (3)  
R6702 History of Russian 2 (3)

Like #1, this change is intended to give students a stronger ground in another of the fundamental subjects, the history of Russian, early in their graduate study in order to increase their linguistic sophistication and readiness for research. Previously, Russian 827, the equivalent of R6702, was required in the Ph.D. program. In the proposed program, the second semester of History of Russian will be devoted to more advanced topics, including a thorough discussion of relevant works on the M.A. reading list.

3) **Quarter System**  
Linguistics 601 Intro to Linguistics (5)  
**Semester System**  
1 approved General Linguistics course (3)  

This change gives students greater flexibility in tailoring their programs to their research interests; they will be able to choose from the entire menu of 5000- and 6000-level courses offered by the Linguistics Department, in consultation with their advisors.

4) **Quarter System**  
1 literature/cultural studies course (5)  
**Semester System**  
1 literature/cultural studies course (3)  

No change is involved. Students of Slavic Linguistics need to have some familiarity with the culture of the countries whose languages they research.

5) **Quarter System**  
3 electives (15)  
**Semester System**  
1 Non-Russian Language Sequence (6)  
S7802 (SLA) or approved course (3)

Under the quarter system, Russian 802, the equivalent of Slavic 7802, was an elective course. The proposed change makes it a requirement, because we consider Second Language Acquisition (SLA) one of the three basic fields of our Slavic Linguistics program, along with Synchronic
Linguistics and Diachronic Linguistics (see ##1–2, above). The change has the advantage of integrating the specialization of one of our recent hires into our curriculum. Moreover, given that SLA research involves human-subjects research, often over extended periods of time, we believe that it is vital to give students exposure to it early in their graduate study so that, if they decide to specialize in it, they will have sufficient time to do the necessary research.

The other change in this category—the non-Russian language sequence—likewise makes formerly elective courses requirements. Under the quarter system, students often used reading courses in Slavic languages other than Russian and linguistics courses on Balkan languages as electives for the M.A. Because our Ph.D. requirements demand that students become familiar with one South Slavic language, one West Slavic language, and Old Church Slavonic, we have decided that it is necessary to begin this process during the period of M.A. study if students are to reach candidacy within a four-year period. (Two other non-Russian language sequences will be required during the post-M.A. period.) For the same reason, we have decided that it is no longer practicable for students to invest two years in studying four-skills language courses at the undergraduate level; rather, they are to develop a reading knowledge of a language for research purposes, which can be done within the space of a semester (given that they are familiar with related languages). The reading courses in question currently exist as Slavic 671, 672, 810, and E Eur LL 671, 672; they will be renumbered Slavic 6621, 6623, 6625, and E Eur LL 6627, respectively. In addition, we are pairing these reading courses with linguistics courses on the same languages, so that students can put their new reading knowledge to work on research projects; these courses are the former Slavic 861, 862, 864, and E Eur LL 673, to be renumbered Slavic 6622, 6624, 6626, and E Eur LL 6628, respectively.

6) Quarter System Semester System
S999 Supervised Research (5) Slavic 6999 M.A. Thesis (3)

No change is involved. All students of Slavic Linguistics will be required to write an M.A. paper in order to receive their degree.

7) Quarter System Semester System

Slavic 6600 Slavic Forum (2x @ 1)

Attendance at our biweekly Slavic Linguistics Forum, where faculty and students present their ongoing research, is already expected of our students; the faculty consider it very useful for developing the students' research and presentation skills and for creating a collaborative atmosphere. The proposed change simply institutionalizes this expectation.

10. Rationale for change in credit hours: Not applicable. The Graduate School has mandated a minimum of 32 hours for M.A. programs.

TRANSITION POLICY
11. Policy statement from the chair of the department
DSEELL will ensure that students who have begun their M.A. with a specialization in Slavic Linguistics under the quarter system will not have their progress to the degree delayed by the
change to semesters. All of the required and elective courses in the proposed program currently exist in quarter-system format and will be offered in their ordinary rotations during academic years 2011–12 (the last year of the quarter system) and 2012–13 (the first year of the semester system); this will allow students to complete their two-year M.A. programs seamlessly. (Not all of the non-Russian language sequences will come up in their rotation during this period; however, there will be at least one that students can take to fulfill the requirement.) Advisors will meet with entering students in Autumn 2011 to map out a viable program of electives spanning the two years of the transition. If, for whatever reason, a student is unable to take a necessary course during this period, the Graduate Studies Committee will find a suitable substitution; such variances will be handled on a case-by-case basis, with the understanding that all students entering in Autumn 2011 must be able to complete their M.A. in the Spring of 2013.

Note: The level of achievement of the goals will vary for a given course in dependence on which courses a student has previously taken, since skills of linguistic analysis are cumulative.

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2 Requirement may be fulfilled with one of the following courses: Slavic 7622, 7623, 7626, 8741, or E Eur 7628.
3 Requirement may be fulfilled with one of the following courses: Russian 5530, 5674, 6252, 6253, 6254, 7250, 7356, 8550, Slavic 5280, 5570, 6457, 7370, 7455, or 7500.
4 Requirement may be fulfilled with one of the following courses: Linguistics 5001, 5101, 5201, 5301, 5351, 5601, 5602, 5701, 5901.