Program Requirements for the MA in Comparative Literature

**Core Courses in Comparative Literature (12 units=4 courses)**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Course Code</th>
<th>Course Title</th>
<th>Units</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>CWL 800</td>
<td>Introduction to Graduate Study in Comparative Literature</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CWL 815</td>
<td>Topics in Critical Theory</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CWL 820</td>
<td>Topics in Comparative Literature</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CWL 825</td>
<td>Advanced Study in Comparative Literature</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

[Note: Recent “Topics in Critical Theory” include “Ethics in Literature, Theory, and Criticism,” “Literary Value,” and “Theory and the Premodern Text.” Recent “Topics in Comparative Literature” include “Literature of Diaspora and Migration,” “Medieval and Early Modern Encounters,” “Experiments in Reading 21st-Century World Fiction,” and “20th-Century Comparative American Literary Studies.”]

**Foreign Literature Courses (9 units=3 courses)**

- 3 Graduate literature courses (courses numbered 700 and higher) in a single non-native literature 9

[Note: "Foreign Literature": literature in a language other than the student's native language; e.g., a native speaker of Japanese would normally complete courses in a literature other than Japanese. These courses can be from UC-Berkeley.]

**Program Electives (6 units=2 courses)**

- Upper-division or graduate courses other than that of the Foreign Literature Requirement. 6

[Note: Program Electives can include courses in Comparative and World Literature, literature in English, Humanities, a second foreign literature read in the original language or in translation, and courses in pedagogy (e.g., courses for the Certificate in the Teaching of Composition). These courses can be from UC-Berkeley.]

**Culminating Experience (3 units)**

- CWL 896 Directed Reading in Comparative Literature and comprehensive Oral Examination
- OR
- CWL 898 Master’s Thesis 3

**Minimum Total Units for M.A.** 30

*(All students must also complete a portfolio in accordance with Department guidelines.)*