# Readings (GRS 601A, 601B, 602A, 602B and 603)

All reading lists will be established by the Departmental Graduate Committee. Students will be evaluated on the basis of a three-hour written examination created and graded by a regular member of the GRS graduate faculty. The written examination will differ from sitting to sitting, but will be the same for all students at the same sitting. Students may not register for the candidacy examination until they have passed this examination. Students who fail the examination may be examined a second time. Students who fail a second time will not be permitted to continue in the program.

The reading lists for those specializing in ancient history and classical languages and literature will require familiarity with different texts appropriate to the different specializations, but will be equivalent in breadth. Students entering the program to specialize in classical archaeology will be examined on either the Greek or the Latin reading list for classical archaeology and will be required to pass at B+ (6.0) level one 1.5-unit 300 or 400 level undergraduate course or equivalent in the other ancient language. This requirement may be satisfied at admission. The Greek and Latin reading lists for those specializing in classical archaeology will require familiarity with texts appropriate to the specialization and will differ from the reading lists for the other specializations. The reading list for a particular course (e.g. GRS 601) will normally be the same for all students registered in it in a given year and from year to year, though these and all syllabi will be subject to on-going review by the departmental Graduate Committee.

#### **Archaeological Methods and Theory (GRS 605)**

Students entering the program to specialize in classical archaeology (only) will be required to pass an examination in archaeological methods and theory as applied to the practice of archaeology in the Mediterranean. A reading list will be provided to students upon admission. Students will be evaluated on the basis of three essays and a three-hour written examination administered by a member of the supervisory committee. Students may not register for the candidacy examination until they have passed this course. Students who fail the course may be examined a second time. Students who fail a second time will not be permitted to continue in the program. The instructor of the course will be responsible for all course materials and examining duties. The reading list will be the same for all students registered in the course in a given year and from year to year, though the syllabus will be subject to on-going review by the departmental Graduate Committee.

#### **Seminars (GRS 611, 612 and 613)**

Seminars will be broadly related to the subject of the student's research interests and taught and evaluated by a regular member of the GRS graduate faculty. All three seminars will be open to all GRS PhD students and in this sense elective. Masters students may attend these seminars but will not register in the courses as part of their program. All seminars will be evaluated through a combination of a research paper, a written examination and two oral presentations. Students may not register for the

candidacy exam until they have passed both a seminar and the topical field course required for their program.

## **Topical Fields (GRS 621, 622 and 623)**

The topical fields will be allied to the subject of a student's research interests and future dissertation proposal: a student must take a topical field in the general area of his/her program specialization (classical languages and literature, ancient history or classical archaeology). Topical fields are directed studies carried out under the direction of a regular member of the GRS graduate faculty and evaluated through a combination of research papers and written examination. Students may not register for the candidacy exam until they have passed both a seminar and the topical field course required for their program.

### **Other Requirements**

Students will be required to demonstrate reading knowledge of German and either French or Italian in written examinations. The examinations will normally be of two hours duration, will require translation of a passage of Classical scholarship in the relevant modern language, and may be written with the aid of a dictionary. Examinations will be set and graded by a regular member of the GRS graduate faculty, normally the student's supervisor. Students will not be permitted to defend their dissertation prospectus until they have satisfied this language requirement. Students who fail the examination may be required to take formal language instruction before writing another examination. As noted above candidacy must be reached by the end of the second year in the program.

# Candidacy Exam (GRS 693)

Within two years of registration in the program a student must pass a candidacy examination which will be set by the supervisory committee subject to the approval of the Departmental Graduate Committee and evaluated by the supervisory committee subject to the approval of the Chair. The purpose of the candidacy examination is to test the student's understanding of material considered essential for the completion of the PhD and to determine the student's competence to conduct research for the dissertation. The candidacy exam comprises two elements: focused field paper and dissertation prospectus. The candidate will be expected to 1) present the focused field paper at a departmental colloquium and 2) defend the prospectus in an oral exam administered at the university by the supervisory committee. The oral portion of the examination will last a maximum of two hours. Please see below for further details.

The manner of grading the candidacy exam is INP, COM, N or F. Should a student not pass the candidacy exam the supervisory committee will allow the student to undertake further preparation and to repeat the exam (within the two-year maximum). Upon a second failure, the Supervisory Committee will recommend to the Dean of Graduate Studies that the student be required to withdraw.

## Focused Field paper:

Students will be required to produce a research paper on a field that will provide the critical context of their dissertation prospectus and is considered material essential for the

completion of the PhD. The subject of the research paper will be determined in consultation with the student's supervisor. The student will present a paper based on the research paper at a departmental colloquium. Both written and oral elements of the focused field will be evaluated by the supervisory committee subject to the approval of the Chair.

### Dissertation Prospectus:

The dissertation prospectus comprises both written and oral elements. The candidate will present a document outlining the content of the proposed dissertation to the supervisory committee and defend it in oral examination by the supervisory committee. At the oral examination the student will make a 20-minute presentation on his/her proposal topic and then answer questions posed by the examining committee on the theory, method, and significance of the proposed research. The supervisory committee must approve the dissertation prospectus before the student may proceed to the dissertation. A student may repeat examination of his/her dissertation prospectus one time only.

# **Dissertation (GRS 699)**

All students will be required to prepare a dissertation upon which they will be examined in accordance with the regulations of the Faculty of Graduate Studies. The dissertation is expected to be a potentially publishable and original work of approximately 60,000 words (excluding notes and bibliography). All dissertations, irrespective of specialization, will take the traditional form of a series of integrated chapters, written under the guidance of the student's supervisory committee.