# Assessment: Assessment Plan



## Degree Program - AS - Romance Languages (MA)

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Program Purpose Statement: Applicants for the M.A. degree in Romance languages, with a concentration in French or Spanish, may complete 24 hours of graduate courses and a thesis or 36 hours of coursework. The degree may include a 6-hour minor. For Spanish and French, areas of interest include literature, comparative literature, linguistics, civilization and/or culture.

Modality: Face-to-Face

## Student Learning Outcome: SLO 1 - Core Knowledge

Students graduating with an MA degree in Romance Languages will be able to articulate in written and oral form their understanding and knowledge of primary and secondary materials in their area of specialization

Outcome Status: Active

Outcome Type: Student Learning

**Start Date:** 08/24/2015

#### Assessment Methods

**Portfolio Review -** Students will demonstrate their core knowledge of their area of specialization in coursework. (Active)

Criterion: 90% of graduating students will demonstrate core knowledge of their area of specialization in coursework.

**Class Discussions** - Students will demonstrate an understanding of and familiarity with core knowledge in their area of specialization in class discussions based on instructor's performance rubric (Active)

Criterion: 90% of graduating students will demonstrate core knowledge of their area of specialization.

Master's Comprehensive Exam - Students will demonstrate knowledge of and familiarity with their area of specialization. (Active)

**Criterion:** 90% of students will pass their comprehensive exams.

## Student Learning Outcome: SLO 3 - Theoretical Foundation

Students graduating with an MA in Romance Languages will demonstrate a knowledge of the theoretical foundation of their specialization.

Outcome Status: Active

Outcome Type: Student Learning

**Start Date:** 08/24/2015

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**Portfolio Review -** Students will maintain a portfolio of coursework that demonstrates their knowledge of the theoretical foundation of their specialization. (Active)

Criterion: 80% of students will show in their coursework a theoretical foundation in their specialization

**Master's Comprehensive Exam -** Students will demonstrate knowledge of the theoretical foundation of their specialization on the MA comprehensive exam.

(Active)

Criterion: 90% of students will pass their comprehensive exams.

**Oral exam** - Students will demonstrate a knowledge of the theoretical foundation of their specialization in their oral defense. (Active)

Criterion: 90% of students will pass the oral defense.

# Student Learning Outcome: SLO 2 - Professionalization

Students graduating with an MA degree in Romance Languages will have the professional skills to go on to the next stage in their career.

Outcome Status: Active

Outcome Type: Student Learning

**Start Date:** 08/24/2015

#### Assessment Methods

**Professional Development Activities -** Students will participate in an academic conference.

(Active)

**Criterion:** 80% of students will participate in a conference.

Portfolio Review - Students will demonstrate the ability to write at a sophisticated level.

(Active)

**Criterion:** 70% of graduating students will demonstrate advanced writing skills.

Master's Comprehensive Exam - Students will show evidence of strong critical thinking skills in their MA exams. (Active)

Criterion: 80% of students will have advanced critical thinking skills.