



1. Language - Latin, pass at MA level

2. Courses

30 hours, of which 18 hours are constituted by the following set of Center core courses and 12 of which are electives.

Center Core in Thomistic Studies

(1) PHIL 5314 Thomas Aquinas on Human Nature

(2) PHIL 5304 Thomistic Metaphysics

(3) PHIL 5338 Thomistic Ethics

(4) A fourth course in Thomistic Philosophy chosen from among the following:

PHIL 5309 The Life and Works of Thomas Aquinas

PHIL 5311 Selected Problems in [Thomistic] Epistemology

PHIL 5312 Philosophy of Natural Law

PHIL 5317 Philosophy of Nature

PHIL 5335 Aquinas' Polemical Writings

PHIL 5337 St. Thomas on Justice (*Secunda Secundae*)

PHIL 5351 The Logical Theory of Thomas Aquinas

PHIL 5359 Essence and Existence in Aquinas

PHIL 5362 Aquinas and the Problem of Evil

PHIL 5363 Law and Grace in Aquinas

PHIL 5369 Thomistic Political Philosophy

PHIL 5392 Twentieth Century Thomist Revival

PHIL 5393 Contemporary Thomism

(5) PHIL 5359 Introduction to Philosophical Latin

(6) PHIL 5340 M.A. Comprehensive Exam Course

Where necessary, and with the approval of the Director of the Center, students may substitute a three-hour elective for one of the courses not in the Center Core.

3. MA Comprehensive Exam

A. A three credit-hour Comprehensive Exam Course: involves the student in the reading and outlining of twelve (12) books for the MA exam.

B. A six-hour written examination, divided into two sessions.

C. A one-hour oral exam administered by three faculty examiners.

4. Masters Thesis

A master's thesis is required only for those not proceeding on to the doctoral program in the Center. Those pursuing a terminal MA should register for either PHIL 5300 or PHIL 5600.