MASTER OF ARTS IN PHILOSOPHY
DEGREE PLAN

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 Life & 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 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
   • PHIL 6308 Essence and Existence in Aquinas
(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. EITHER

II. 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.
      This option is required for those proceeding to the Ph.D.

Or

II. Masters Thesis
   Either PHIL 5300 or PHIL 5600.