## REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MASTER OF ARTS

### COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES

#### THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

### GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

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<th>Minimum Total Hours (Thesis Option)</th>
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### REQUIRED COURSES

#### I. NAS CORE REQUIREMENTS (9 hours)
- **NAS** 5063, Critical Indigenous Theory
- **NAS** 5033, Research Methods, OR BOTH
- **LAW** 6320, Directed Legal Research (2 hours), AND
- **LAW** 6311, Indian Law Review (1 hour)
- **NAS** 5043, Sovereignty, Law & Policy, OR
- **LAW** 5610, Federal Indian Law

#### II. THEMATIC AREAS OF EMPHASIS (21 hours)

Seven (7) courses. Students may declare one or more areas of emphasis. A list of appropriate courses may be obtained from the NAS program. Appropriate courses should be selected with the guidance of the NAS adviser.

The interdisciplinary areas of emphasis are:
- Cultural Knowledge, Language, & History
- Tribal Governance & Policy
- Indigenous Media & Arts

Selected Area(s) of Emphasis:

Courses:

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#### III. THESIS/EXAM REQUIREMENT (3 hours)

Students must complete one of the following options:

**Option One:** *Thesis*

Minimum of three (3) thesis hours. Student will complete thesis under the direction of the committee chair.

**NAS** 5980, Research for Master’s Thesis

OR

**Option Two:** *Comprehensive Exam*

One (1) additional course in area of emphasis. Student will complete comprehensive exam under the direction of the committee chair.

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#### IV. NATIVE LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

Must demonstrate proficiency in a Native American language. Can be satisfied through the completion of one (1) introductory course (1000-level) in a Native language or the equivalent. May *not* be used to satisfy core or emphasis credit.

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### Notes:

To qualify for a graduate degree, students must achieve an overall grade point average of 3.0 or higher in the degree program coursework.

The dual Master of Arts in Native American Studies and Juris Doctorate program will require a total of 126 hours of coursework. Thirty-six hours are required for the M.A. and 90 hours are required for the JD. Twenty-four hours can be shared. The shared hours must come from the M.A. requirements.

- The master’s degree requires the equivalent of at least two semesters of satisfactory graduate work and additional work as may be prescribed for the degree.
- All coursework applied to the master’s degree must carry graduate credit.
- Master’s degree programs which require a thesis consist of at least 30 credit hours.
- All non-thesis master’s degree programs require at least 32 credit hours.
- Credit transferred from other institutions must meet specific criteria and is subject to certain limitations.
- Courses completed through correspondence study may *not* be applied to the master’s degree.

A student who has done satisfactory graduate work and has earned a 3.0 grade point average may file for master’s candidacy.

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