**M.A.T. Comprehensive Exam Format**

Exam date: early January (generally the Thursday and Friday before classes begin)

- The final evaluation for the M.A.T. in World Languages consists of a six-hour written examination split into two 3-hour exam days. Each student’s committee will consist of faculty members to represent each of the three areas: world language pedagogy, linguistics, and literature/culture.

- The format of the written examination is as follows:
  - Area A. General Education/World Languages Education, Theory, and Pedagogy (120 minutes)
  - Area B. Literature/Culture (90 minutes). Area B must be answered in the program language.
  - Area C. Linguistics (90 minutes). Area C also must be answered in the program language.
  - The exam will be held over two consecutive days.

- The written examination will be graded in one of the following ways:

  1. Pass all components: no oral examination.
  2. Weak pass or fail on one or two components: oral examination. Students may receive a weak pass or fail due to failure to show mastery of either the written language or the overall content tested. The oral examination will follow within a two- or three-week period of the original date of the written exam.
  3. Fail all sections: no oral examination will be offered. The student must retake the written exam near the end of the semester (April/November).
  4. In the event of a fail at the oral exam, the student must retake the written exam near the end of the semester (April/November).

- The oral examination, if required, will consist of questions on omissions or errors found in the written examination, or on amplification of either the tested material or other material relevant to the student's program of study. At least one area of the oral exam must be in the program language.

- Results of the written and the oral examination will be reported to the M.A.T. Advisor by the Chair of the exam committee.

- The M.A.T. Advisor will compile the questions for the written examination in consultation with the members of the candidate’s committee. The Chair of the Committee (appointed by the M.A.T. advisor) will preside over the oral exam.

- Reading Lists are language specific for Areas B & C. Students should consult with the corresponding committee members for a comprehensive reading list for these areas. General Education/World Languages Education, Theory, and Pedagogy will be the same for all languages. This reading list is included below.
REVISED M.A.T. READING LIST
M.A.T. in World Languages Degree
Reading List, revised May 2018

Area A: General Education/World Languages Education, Theory, and Pedagogy

Books


Articles


**Additional Resources**

- World Readiness Standards for Learning Languages: [https://www.actfl.org/publications/all/world-readiness-standards-learning-languages](https://www.actfl.org/publications/all/world-readiness-standards-learning-languages)