

# SPANISH AND PORTUGUESE PHD

## Degree Requirements

The following requirements are in addition to, or further elaborate upon, those requirements outlined in The Graduate School Policy Guide (<https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/tgs/academic-policies-procedures/>).

### Master's

The department does not admit students for the MA degree, but will award the MA to a PhD candidate if deemed in the student's best interest.

### Terminal MA

In some cases, students may be advised by the end of winter quarter of their second year that they should complete a terminal MA rather than continue on to the PhD degree. The requirements must be completed by the end of the second year. They are:

- Language proficiency in Portuguese and Spanish
- Minimum of 12 credits including at least 3 courses at the 400-level or above
- A 20 to 30-page paper to be evaluated by the Graduate Studies Committee
- Funding ends immediately upon recommendation for the terminal MA. The master's thesis must be completed by the end of the spring quarter with a minimum of 3.0 GPA

### PhD

**Total Units Required: 19**

### Course Work and Academics

Course	Title
<b>First Year</b>	
Summer Language Training Advised	
<b>Fall</b>	
Two SPANPORT courses	
One elective	
Second language diagnostic exam	
<b>Winter</b>	
Two SPANPORT courses	
One elective	
Second language training, if applicable	
<b>Spring</b>	
Two SPANPORT courses	
One elective	
Second language training, if applicable	
English language exam, if applicable	
<b>Summer</b>	
Study/research abroad	
<b>Second Year</b>	
<b>Fall</b>	
Two SPANPORT courses	
One elective	
Coursework or independent study	
<b>Winter</b>	
Two SPANPORT courses	
One elective	
Course work or independent study	

### Spring

Two SPANPORT courses

Proposal and PhD reading lists due by June 15

### Third Year

October 15th: QUALIFYING EXAM

December 1st: Prospectus due to committee, including rationale for reading list

Research

### Fourth Year

Writing

### Fifth Year

Dissertation defense

### Teaching

Course	Title
<b>First Year</b>	
<b>Fall</b>	
Fellowship	
<b>Winter</b>	
Fellowship	
<b>Spring</b>	
Fellowship	
<b>Second Year</b>	
<b>Fall</b>	
Apprentice year	
Mini-lesson plan or Teaching assistantship	
<b>Winter</b>	
Apprentice year	
Mini-lesson plan or Teaching assistantship	
<b>Spring</b>	
Apprentice year	
Mini-lesson plan or Teaching assistantship	
<b>Third Year</b>	
Research or Teaching assistantship	
<b>Fourth Year</b>	
Teach Language Course Sequence	
<b>Fifth Year</b>	
Fellowship year	