Procedures for Ph. D. Admission

Students wishing to apply for admission into the Ph. D. Program in Modern Languages must already have earned a Master’s Degree in French, German, or Spanish from Wayne State or from another institution. Students applying for admission from outside institutions must apply on-line to [http://www.gradadmissions.wayne.edu](http://www.gradadmissions.wayne.edu)

Students having the Master’s Degree in one of the above specializations from Wayne State University must file a Change of Graduate Status form with the Departmental Graduate Director. This may be obtained on-line at the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at [www.clas.wayne.edu](http://www.clas.wayne.edu)

In all cases applicants must provide the following documents:

1. All undergraduate and graduate transcripts
2. At least three strong letters of recommendation that evaluate the applicant’s language proficiency, ability to do critical thinking, and organizational skills.
3. A current curriculum vitae that includes information on awards, fellowships and scholarships, travel and education abroad, professional activities, and if applicable, teaching experience.
4. A sample of writing in the language of specialization such as a term paper, Master’s essay or thesis, article, book review, conference presentation, or the like.
5. A statement of purpose of one page in English stating the student’s academic and career goals and explaining how the Ph. D. will assist the student in accomplishing these goals.

The Department of Classical and Modern Languages, Literatures, and Cultures reviews applications the year around but the principal terms of course work are Fall semester beginning in late August and the Winter semester beginning in January.

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