Students take a minimum of 12 credits in graduate courses related to Latin America, the Caribbean, Spain, or Portugal. A list of courses available for LACIS credit is prepared each semester by the program staff. This work is to be done outside the major field of the candidate's doctoral specialization. One course cross-listed with the major may be used for the minor so long as it is not taught by a faculty member from the major department and is not a required course for the major. The LACIS M.A. may be used as a Ph.D. minor, as long as the degree program meets the minor requirements.