Students in either field are required to take CLAS 800 and CLAS 802.

**Pattern I: Thesis**

Students take four term-length courses (12.0 units) and submit a thesis (CLAS 899) of a recommended length of 100 pp. on a topic chosen in consultation with the thesis supervisor. The thesis will be subject to examination under the general regulations of the School of Graduate Studies and Postdoctoral Affairs.

**Pattern II: Major Research Paper (Master’s Essay) or Research Project**

Students take six term-length courses (18.0 units) and submit either a Master’s Essay (CLAS 898) of a recommended length of 50 pp., or a Research Project (CLAS 898) with an accompanying essay of no less than 25 pp., that explicates the methodology and advances an interpretation of the results. The Essay or Project will not be subject to an oral defence but will be read and approved by another faculty member in addition to the essay supervisor, and must show the capacity for critical and analytical research and reflect the state of scholarship in the subject.

Pattern II is recommended for students in the Classical Studies and Archaeology field, but is also available to students in the Classics and Archaeology field.