

PORTUGUESE AND SPANISH, PHD

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Please consult the table below for key information about this degree program's admissions requirements. The program may have more detailed admissions requirements, which can be found below the table or on the program's website.

Graduate admissions is a two-step process between academic programs and the Graduate School. **Applicants must meet the minimum requirements (<https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/requirements/>) of the Graduate School as well as the program(s).** Once you have researched the graduate program(s) you are interested in, apply online (<https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/>).

Requirements	Detail
Fall Deadline	January 5
Spring Deadline	The program does not admit in the spring.
Summer Deadline	The program does not admit in the summer.
GRE (Graduate Record Examinations)	Not required.
English Proficiency Test	Every applicant whose native language is not English, or whose undergraduate instruction was not exclusively in English, must provide an English proficiency test score earned within two years of the anticipated term of enrollment. Refer to the Graduate School: Minimum Requirements for Admission policy: https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1241 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1241/).
Other Test(s) (e.g., GMAT, MCAT)	n/a
Letters of Recommendation Required	3

APPLICATION DETAILS

Applicants are masters of art (MA) students in Portuguese & Spanish at the University of Wisconsin–Madison with a graduate GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale). Applicants are admitted to the PhD program on the recommendation of the master's examining committee upon successful completion of the portfolio requirement.

Applicants with a masters of art (MA) from an external institution are admitted to the doctoral program by virtue of his/her acceptance by the department. A minimum graduate GPA of 3.4 (on a 4.0 scale) is required.

Applicants will be asked to supply supplementary information regarding courses taken previously, experience abroad, scope of readings in Portuguese and Brazilian literatures, and preparation in linguistics.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

Applicants must upload the following materials to the online application:

- Unofficial transcripts;
 - Certified copies of English translations should accompany all non-English transcripts;
- Reason for Graduate Study/Statement of Purpose: What are your reasons for graduate study? Please describe your current degree goals and your reasons for selecting your program(s). Your statement can be either in English or the program's language. It should not exceed three single-spaced pages, or the equivalent when double-spaced.
- A writing sample in Portuguese (eg, a term-paper length), eight to ten pages. The topic should be as close as possible to the field you wish to specialize in for the PhD thesis.
- Three letters of recommendation (recommenders to submit on applicant's behalf);
- International degree-seeking applicants must prove English proficiency, refer to the Graduate School's requirements (<https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/requirements/>).

Applicants may refer to the Graduate School's admissions page for application assistance and frequently asked questions (<https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/>).