

Theses or Dissertations Written in Languages Other than English

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Doctoral dissertations or theses written in languages other than English may be accepted only by those graduate programs that have made a formal request to, and received approval of, the Dean of the Graduate School to allow dissertations or theses to be written in a language other than English. This request should be submitted to the Dean of the Graduate School by the student's committee chair, with endorsement by all committee members, the academic component administrator, and dean of the college, prior to Admission to Candidacy for the degree sought. Such requests may be granted only if the language in question is recognized by the program's faculty as an accepted language of critical or theoretical discourse within the program, and for which there is a justified academic rationale and benefit. Moreover, there must be sufficient faculty to support the reading of theses or dissertations in said language. The committee chair and at least two additional TWU faculty members for dissertations and one additional TWU faculty member for theses must be biliterate and bilingual in the target non-English language at an advanced level (e.g. B2 level on the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR)).

For all such dissertations or theses, an abstract in English should be included in the manuscript submitted for deposit with the Graduate School (in addition to the abstract in the corresponding language). This abstract should be of sufficient length to provide an account of the principal argument, as well as of the work's constitutive parts. The Department/Graduate Program will consult with the Graduate School to identify an outside Reader to proof the final product.