Graduate Master's Degree Qualifying Examination Policy

Programs may require a qualifying examination. If required, the examination must be passed before a master's program/plan of study is filed with the Registrar. The department or school will notify students of the date, time, and format of the examination. Programs are required to maintain documentation of the student's examination results. With the approval of the advisor and the supervisory committee, if such exists, students may take the qualifying examination a second time.

Graduate Master's Degree Program of Study Policy

In consultation with the advisor or the supervisory committee, the master's student plans a program of study in accordance with the minimum requirements outlined in the SGS Academic Regulations and the specific degree program requirements. Upon approval from the advisor and/or supervisory committee and unit graduate officer, programs of study should be approved by the Dean of the School of Graduate Studies and filed with the Registrar prior to the completion of 50% of applicable degree coursework.

Graduate Final Master's Competency Examination Policy

The final master's competency examination, if required, will be written, oral, or both at the discretion of the program or academic unit, and will be passed no later than three weeks prior to the anticipated date of graduation. The student's supervisory committee chair will report the results of the final competency examination in writing to the candidate, the School of Graduate Studies, and file a copy with Registrar.

Graduate Master's Degree Transfer Credit Policy

A maximum of 20 percent of the graduate credit hours appearing on the program of study (rounded up) may be transferred from a recognized graduate school for a master's degree at UMKC. Such transfer credits must meet with approval of the student's supervisory committee and appropriate principal graduate advisor or graduate officer and be in accordance with criteria.

Graduate Dual Degree Policies

Dual-degree programs allow students to pursue simultaneously degrees at the master's level in two fields of study. Students

must complete at least 80 percent (rounded up) of the credit hours required for each degree separately. Students must satisfy admission, course, and examination requirements of both degree programs.