

last day of scheduled final examinations. A fee for binding is due and payable at the Fresno State College Association Office on the date of final submission. A student who wishes to retain more than one bound copy may arrange for the extra binding by paying an additional fee. (See *Fees and Expenses*.)

APPLICATION FOR DEGREE

An application for the master's degree must be filed in the Evaluations Office in the first two weeks of a semester or first week of a summer session. (For dates see *College Calendar* or *Schedule of Courses*; see also *Fees and Expenses*.)

Failure to complete requirements for the degree during the semester of the application necessitates the filing of a new application for the semester of actual completion.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT

Fresno State College does not have a general foreign language requirement for the master's degree. Some specific master's degree majors do, however, require competence in an appropriate foreign language. (See *Degrees and Credentials—Foreign Language Requirement* and department requirements.) Students who contemplate graduate study beyond the master's degree are urged also to investigate foreign language requirements in the institution in which they anticipate advanced graduate study.

MAXIMUM STUDY LOAD

Students are warned that graduate courses require substantially more concentrated study than do undergraduate courses. During the fall or spring semester 16 units is the maximum load for master's degree students in full-time attendance when one or more courses in the 200 series are included. Students employed full time may take a maximum of 6 units. The maximum for summer session is one unit per week of attendance.

GRADE REQUIREMENTS

All graduate students will be held to the scholarship standards listed under *Regulations and Procedures*.

No course with a grade below C may apply on a master's degree contract program.

To be eligible for advancement to candidacy, a student must have earned a B average on all upper division and graduate course work completed after the date of embarking on the first course to be included in the master's degree program.

To be eligible for enrollment in the thesis or project or in a seminar alternative to the thesis, a student must have been advanced to candidacy and must have maintained a B average on his contract program.

To be eligible for the granting of the degree, a student must have maintained a B average on his complete contract program. Any grade earned in a course on the contract program continues to figure in the grade-point average, even if that course is for any reason later dropped from the program.

To be eligible to receive the master's degree *with distinction* a student must have earned a 3.9 grade-point average on the contract program for the master's degree or on all upper division and graduate work subsequent to the bachelor's degree.

EXAMINATIONS

In addition to the qualifying examinations required for advancement to candidacy for the master's degree, all departments reserve the right to require written or oral comprehensive examinations when circumstances demand. A few departments require final comprehensive examinations of all their students. Candidates are urged to consult the chairman of the division graduate committee or the Graduate Office about examination requirements.