### Verified proficient knowledge of a second language
- **Course**: As needed
- **Credit Hours**: As needed

### Core Classes
- GIST 701 Approaches *(Fall Year 1)*
- GIST 702 Globalization
- GIST 710 Research Methods *(Fall Year 2)*

### Graduate Elective courses (7 total)
Up to three language courses may count, max two 500-600 level courses

#### World Region (3)
- Course 1
- Course 2
- Course 3

#### Topic Specialization (4)
- Course 1
- Course 2
- Course 3
- Course 4
- Course 5 *(Additional Elective)*

### Writing Capstone
- Non-Thesis: GIST 810 or GIST 898

### Total Credit Hours
- **33**

### Research Paper
- Original & systematic analysis of data, 35-50 pages, see GIST website for all requirements

- **Approved Topic**: 
- **Advisor (Committee Chair)**: 
- **Committee Member**: 
- **Committee Member**: 
- **Semester of oral defense**: 

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