



DEPARTMENT OF
BIOLOGY

UNM Department of Biology

Tool Skill Requirement

Name _____ Degree Sought: M.S. Ph.D.

MS students: One Tool Skill is required. Complete ONE of the three sections.
Ph.D. students: Two Tool Skills are required. Complete TWO of the three sections.

The Committee on Studies approves of the following to fulfill the Tool Skill Requirement:

1) Non-Biological Tool Skill # 1 will be satisfied by:

a. At least six credit hours, with grades of B or better, including the following courses:

Course 1: _____

Course 2: _____

Check one of the following:

☐ These two courses are in the same subject area and thus cohere to form a single skill.

☐ These two courses are in **different** subject areas but nevertheless cohere to form a single skill (written justification showing this cohesion must be attached).

b. Other means as follows:

2) Non-Biological Tool Skill # 2 will be satisfied by:

a. At least six credit hours, with grades of B or better, including the following courses:

Course 1: _____

Course 2: _____

Check one of the following:

☐ These two courses are in the same subject area and thus cohere to form a single skill.

☐ These two courses are in **different** subject areas but nevertheless cohere to form a single skill (written justification showing this cohesion must be attached).

b. Other means as follows:

3) Foreign Language Option: Please choose one option and provide the course name, semester and grade received

a. Completion of second year of a foreign language with an average grade of B or better as an undergraduate.

b. Completion of foreign language reading for graduate students with an average grade of B or better.

c. Passing the national standard language exam at the basic competency level.

d. Translation of paper; with passing to be determined by an appropriate professor in the Foreign Language Department or other acceptable person fluent in the language chosen. (Attach a statement from the evaluator indicating that the paper has been reviewed and passes using normal grading standards.)

Approved:

Committee on Studies Chairperson

Committee Member

Graduate Policy Committee
Chairperson

Committee Member

Department Chair