NOTE: Programs will identify as Professional Master’s Programs under the Graduate School’s new Professional Master’s Program policy by requesting a 701 course for their specific program.

NEW FOR CATALOG:

701 Master’s Independent Capstone Project and/or Examination Variable 1-6 credits. May be repeated for credit. Capstone project or final examination for professional master’s degree under the Graduate School. The credits will include a balloted evaluation of the student’s completion of the program’s capstone/examination requirements by the program’s graduate faculty. Students must have graduate degree-seeking status and obtain approval from their major advisor/committee before enrolling for 701 credit. S, U grading.

For Chapter 3, Section E, Definition of Graduate Level Courses:

701 Credit

The 701 credit is a Graduate Professional Master’s Independent Capstone Project and/or Examination credit. Credits are variable, and grading is satisfactory/unsatisfactory (S, U). Credit is awarded for a grade of S; no credit is awarded for a grade of U. The S/U grade does not carry any quality points and is not calculated in the grade point average (GPA). Faculty should set course requirements for each semester that a student is enrolled in 701 credits, and provide an S/U grade at the end of the semester based on the student’s performance in meeting those requirements. Generally, students enroll in a minimum of 2 credits of 701 in the semester in which they take their final examination or present their capstone project. In the event of a failure of the final examination, a U grade should be assigned for that semester’s 701 credits. Two U grades for 701 credits will result in dismissal from the program. In extenuating circumstances, faculty may use the X grade to indicate continuing progress toward completion of those requirements. The X grade should be changed when the faculty member determines whether the student has successfully or unsuccessfully met the requirements for that semester; the X grades should be changed by the faculty no later than the last semester of study.

700,701,702 or 800 Credit Policy

Because 700,701,702 or 800 credits are associated with students’ work on capstone projects, special problems, final examinations, or research, a formal course syllabus is not required; however, students are still to be held accountable for meeting the expectations set by the faculty who are guiding their 700,701,702 or 800 work, and for the standards of conduct and the academic integrity requirements to which all WSU students are held accountable. Students found responsible for academic integrity violations in their research or for 700,701,702 or 800 credits may receive a U grade for unsatisfactory progress for that semester. Repeated and/or serious offenses may result in referral to the conduct board and expulsion from WSU. For graduate students, academic integrity violations may also result in the loss of teaching and/or research
assistantships. WSU’s Standards of Conduct can be found at here: https://conduct.wsu.edu/policies/standards-of-conduct/