NOTE: GWAR is a requirement for advancing the candidacy

students with GRE AW3.0 or above

If GRE is 3.5 or above,
Automatically satisfies GWAR.

If GRE is less than 3.5,
But at least 3.0

1) The student must first pass the ALCI writing workshop class.
   http://www.csusm.edu/el/courses/noncreditcourses/gwar.html
   If the student does not pass the workshop, the only way to pass GWAR is through GRE.

2) Submit the proof of passing the workshop class to the Graduate Coordinator along with the topic on which the student would like to do a literature review and eventually hope to do 698 or 699. The topic must be chosen from the areas (bullets) posted at:
   http://www.csusm.edu/cs/documents/masters_research_topics.html.

3) The Graduate Coordinator will then give the student the detailed guidelines and the rubric.

4) The student should start working on the literature review paper at the start of the semester in which the student must satisfy GWAR (see the admission letter).

5) The completed paper must be submitted to the Graduate Coordinator before the Week 13 of that semester begins.

6) 2 faculty members familiar with the topic will be selected to grade the literature review paper based on the GWAR rubric. The Graduate Coordinator will email the student of the results.

7) Only one re-take is allowed. The second paper must be completed within 2 weeks from the date on which the score on the first paper is received.

8) Those not passing GWAR by the deadline will be referred to the Dean of Graduate Studies for further action.