



Doctoral Degree (prior MS)

Graduate Program Track

Year One		
First Semester (Fall) Register 7 credits (Including Intro to Grad Studies)	Credits Earned 7	Second Semester (Spring) Register 6 Credits
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Review Policy & Handbook ✓ Meet with Graduate Coordinator 💰 Sign Spring Assistantship Agreement 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Supervisory Committee 💰 Verify Summer Funding <i>*Apply for Scholarships*</i>
Credits Earned 13		
Summer Semester No Registration Required		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ RCR/CITI Training 💰 Sign Fall Assistantship Agreement 		
Year Two		
Third Semester (Fall) Register 6 Credits	Credits Earned 19	Fourth Semester (Spring) Register 6 Credits
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ DegreeWorks Plan – Program of Study ✓ Individual Development Plan ✓ Annual Professional Development Plan 💰 Sign Spring Assistantship Agreement 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Comprehensive Exam ✓ Application for Candidacy ✓ Begin Compiling Dissertation 💰 Verify Summer Funding <i>*Apply for Scholarships*</i>
Credits Earned 25		
Summer Semester No Registration Required		
Defense Review Meeting with GPC:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Verify all forms are filed with SGS ✓ Verify all credits are applicable ✓ Reserve defense location ✓ Submit Title and Photo 💰 Sign Fall Assistantship Agreement 		
Year Three		
Fifth Semester (Fall) Register 5 Credits Defense	Credits Earned 30	Grace Semester (Spring) No Registration Required
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Appointment for Exam ✓ Defend Dissertation 		Finish final dissertation edits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Apply for Graduation ✓ Submit dissertation to GPC ✓ Submit Title Page ✓ Authorship & Copyright ✓ Format & Style / ETD ✓ IRB / IACUC cert.
If more time is needed to complete research discuss program options with the Graduate Program Coordinator & verify funding availability with Business Manager.		

Questions? Contact:

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