

Doctoral Program Requirements – Expectations of Progress  
*Or: How to Get Your Degree Before Your Funding Runs Out*

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| <p><b>Term 1</b></p> <p><b>BEGIN</b> coursework<br/> <i>*recommended load:</i><br/> 0.5 course<br/> 0.5 course</p>  | <p><b>Term 2</b></p> <p><b>COMPLETE</b> coursework<br/> <i>*recommended load:</i><br/> 0.5 course<br/> 0.5 course<br/> <b>NOTE:</b> If you are required to audit “Propaedeutics” [CL 9503B], then you may choose to defer a half-course to Term 4.</p>  | <p><b>Term 3</b></p> <p><b>COMPILE</b> reading list for Field Exam<br/> <b>SUBMIT</b> reading list to Graduate Chair by end of term 3<br/> <b>BEGIN</b> reading for Field Exam<br/> <b>DECLARE</b> third language to Graduate Chair</p>  |
| <p><b>Term 4</b></p> <p><b>COMPLETE</b> coursework if you enrolled in one half-course in Term 2. <i>*required load:</i><br/> 0.5 course<br/> <b>DETERMINE</b> supervisor<br/> <b>BEGIN</b> third-language study<br/> <b>CONTINUE</b> reading for Field Exam<br/> <b>NOTE:</b> With the Grad Chair’s approval, you may opt to write your Field Exam in Term 4.</p> | <p><b>Term 5</b></p> <p><b>WRITE</b> Field Exam<br/> <i>*recommended date:</i><br/> late February<br/> <b>CONTINUE</b> third language study (if necessary)</p>  | <p><b>Term 6</b></p> <p><b>DRAFT</b> thesis prospectus<br/> <b>REVISE</b> thesis prospectus in accordance with your supervisor’s feedback<br/> <b>SUBMIT</b> thesis prospectus as a PDF to Graduate Chair<br/> <b>CONTINUE</b> third language study (if necessary)</p>                           |
| <p><b>Term 7</b></p> <p><b>DEFEND</b> thesis prospectus<br/> <b>COMPLETE</b> third-language study (if necessary)<br/> <b>DRAW UP</b> a writing schedule<br/> <b>BEGIN</b> writing doctoral thesis</p>   | <p><b>Term 8</b></p> <p><b>CONTINUE</b> writing thesis<br/> <b>REVISE</b> chapters (one by one) after receiving feedback from supervisor</p>  | <p><b>Term 9</b></p> <p><b>CONTINUE</b> writing thesis<br/> <b>REVISE</b> chapters (one by one) after receiving feedback from supervisor</p>   |
| <p><b>Term 10</b></p> <p><b>CONTINUE</b> writing thesis<br/> <b>REVISE</b> chapters (one by one) after receiving feedback from supervisor<br/> <b>SCHEDULE</b> presentation for Graduate Research Forum<br/> <b>DELIVER</b> New Course Design Presentation at Graduate Research Forum</p>   | <p><b>Term 11</b></p> <p><b>CONTINUE</b> writing thesis<br/> <b>REVISE</b> chapters (one by one) after receiving feedback from supervisor<br/> <b>SUGGEST</b> potential examiners to Graduate Chair<br/> <b>PROVIDE</b> Graduate Chair with a working title for your thesis plus a brief abstract (to be sent to prospective examiners)</p> | <p><b>Term 12</b></p> <p><b>COMPLETE</b> next-to-last draft of thesis, in time for feedback from supervisor<br/> <b>CORRECT</b> minor errors and rough patches in thesis<br/> <b>SUBMIT</b> thesis to SGPS by July 20 (approximately)<br/> <b>DEFEND</b> thesis in August or early September</p> |