

# Ph.D. Timeline to Completion

PhD	Fall	Spring	Summer
Year 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Begin Coursework Concentrating on Requirements (6-9 hours of graded courses)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Begin Coursework Concentrating on Requirements (6-9 hours of graded courses)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Begin Coursework Concentrating on Requirements (6-9 hours of graded courses)</li> </ul>
Year 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Submit annual review</a> to English Dept. Graduate Coordinator</li> <li>Submit Supervisory Committee Form to English Dept. Graduate Coordinator</li> <li>Begin Coursework Concentrating on Requirements (6-9 hours of graded courses)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete required coursework (6-9 hours of graded courses)</li> <li>Begin Reading for Exams</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Take Reading Hours</li> <li>Schedule preliminary exams with English Dept. Front Desk</li> <li>Schedule exam defense English Dept. Front Desk</li> </ul>
Year 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Submit annual review</a> to English Dept. Graduate Coordinator</li> <li>Take and defend Preliminary Exam early in the semester.</li> <li>Submit Preliminary Exam Pass Form to English Dept. Graduate Coordinator</li> <li>Submit Admission to Candidacy Request Form to English Dept. Graduate Coordinator</li> <li>Register for dissertation hours (24 program minimum)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Begin dissertation hours (24 program minimum)</li> <li>Submit Prospectus to English Dept. Graduate Coordinator. (See Graduate Student Handbook pg. 26)</li> <li><a href="#">Submit Research Approval Form</a> to the Graduate School</li> <li>Raise Awarded</li> <li>5 Year Candidacy Rule Goes Into Effect</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue dissertation hours (24 program minimum)</li> </ul>
Year 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Submit annual review</a> to English Dept. Graduate Coordinator</li> <li>Register for dissertation hours (24 program minimum)</li> <li>Begin looking at graduation checklist: <a href="#">Theses, Treatises, and Dissertations</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Submit Manuscript to Supervisory Committee very early in the semester</li> <li>Schedule dissertation defense with English Dept. Front Desk</li> <li>Defend dissertation with Supervisory Committee</li> <li>Submit Defense Pass Form to Graduate Program Coordinator</li> <li>Continue working with Final Clearance Advisor and The Graduate School on graduation requirements</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Register for Graduation with Registrar's Office</li> <li>Meet with Final Clearance Advisor Office of Graduate Services</li> </ul>