MD/PhD Sample Timeline & Milestones

Research*

Registration

Bold = MD/PhD program requirements; equivalencies allowed

GS1
Fall
6 cr research
6 cr courses
1 cr CLA
G505
Spring
6 cr research
6 cr courses
G855 & G848
Summer
6 cr research

GS2
Fall
8 cr research
Spring
8 cr research
Summer
6 cr research

GS3
Fall
8 cr research
Spring
8 cr research
Summer
6 cr research

GS4
Research registration as needed until graduation

PQP Phase

PQP Phase I
QLA passed
Submit student portfolio with QLA (August)

PQP Phase II
POS Meeting + (November)

PQP Phase III
Preliminary Exam passed (End of second year)

End of 1st year

End of 2nd year

End of 3rd year

Final exam passed or within reasonable length of time hereafter……..

- G505 or 1 cr ethics, G855 or 3 cr statistics, G655 or 1 cr CLA.
- Advisory Committee meetings should happen each semester.
- The research milestones listed are not graduate requirements, but rather typical expected progress.
- Could be poster, oral, or paper presentation.
- Three publications are deemed minimum for faculty positions at high quality institutions; one patent can substitute for one journal publication.
- You are required to present your research in Summer Seminar at the end of your First year.