# Doctoral Degree Graduate Program Track

## Year One

### First Semester (Fall)
Register 7 credits (Including Intro to Grad Studies)
- ✓ Review Policy & Handbook
- ✓ Meet with Graduate Coordinator
- $ Sign Spring Assistantship Agreement

Credits Earned 7

### Second Semester (Spring)
Register 6 Credits
- $ Verify Summer Funding

*Apply for Scholarships*

### Summer Semester
No Registration Required
- ✓ RCR/CITI Training
- $ Sign Fall Assistantship Agreement

## Year Two

### Third Semester (Fall)
Register 6 Credits
- ✓ Individual Development Plan
- ✓ Supervisory Committee
- $ Sign Spring Assistantship Agreement

Credits Earned 19

### Fourth Semester (Spring)
Register 6 Credits
- ✓ DegreeWorks Plan – Program of Study
- ✓ Annual Professional Development Plan
- $ Verify Summer Funding

*Apply for Scholarships*

### Summer Semester
No Registration Required
- $ Sign Fall Assistantship Agreement

## Year Three

### Fifth Semester (Fall)
Register 6 Credits
- ✓ Annual Professional Development Plan
- ✓ Begin Compiling Dissertation
- $ Sign Spring Assistantship Agreement

Credits Earned 31

### Sixth Semester (Spring)
Register 6 Credits
- ✓ Comprehensive Exam
- ✓ Application for Candidacy
- $ Verify Summer Funding

*Apply for Scholarships*

### Summer Semester
No Registration Required
- ✓ Continue Compiling Dissertation
- $ Sign Fall Assistantship Agreement

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## Year Four

### Seventh Semester (Fall)
Register 6 credits (Including Intro to Grad Studies)
- ✓ Annual Professional Development Plan
- $ Sign Spring Assistantship Agreement

Credits Earned 43

### Eighth Semester (Spring)
Register 6 Credits
- $ Verify Summer Funding

*Apply for Scholarships*

### Summer Semester
No Registration Required
- ✓ Continue Compiling Dissertation
- $ Sign Fall Assistantship Agreement

## Year Five

### Ninth Semester (Fall)
Register 6 Credits

Defense Review Meeting with GPC:
- ✓ Verify all forms are filed with SGS
- ✓ Verify all credits are applicable
- ✓ Reserve defense location
- ✓ Submit Title and Photo
- $ Sign Spring Assistantship Agreement

Credits Earned 55

### Tenth Semester (Spring)
Register 5 Credits
- ✓ Apply for Graduation
- ✓ Appointment for Exam
- ✓ Defend Dissertation

*Apply for Scholarships*

### Summer (Grace) Semester
No Registration Required

Finish final dissertation edits
- ✓ Submit Thesis to GPC
- ✓ Submit Title Page
- ✓ Authorship & Copyright
- ✓ Format & Style / ETD
- ✓ IRB / IACUC cert.

Credits Earned 60

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If more time is needed to complete research discuss program options with the Graduate Program Coordinator & verify funding availability with Business Manager.

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