

Doctoral Degree

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Activity	<u>Ph.D. Degree</u>	<u>Forms (unless otherwise noted)</u>
<u>Advisory Committee formed by:</u>	End of 2 nd semester	No form, the advisory committee is formalized on the Plan of Study
<u>Plan of Study form to Graduate School by:</u>	End of 3 rd semester	Plan of Study
<u>Minimum content course credits</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 6 related area credits plus - 30 for those holding a Bachelor's degree (excluding related area credits) - 15 for those holding a Master's degree (excluding related area credits), but you need 30 to also earn a Plan B Master's 	Plan of Study
<u>Minimum research credits</u>	15 credits of GRAD 6950 or GRAD 6960	Plan of Study
<u>Course requirements</u>	- Core courses MARN 5010, 5036, 5050, & 5065; one Friday seminar class (MARN 5501). Not more than 6 credits of 3000 or 4000 level coursework can be used on the plan of study.	
<u>Transfer credits</u> (specific restrictions apply and committee consent needed)	Up to 30 credits	<u>Transfer Credit Request</u>
<u>Annual Student report due:</u>	January every year	File will be emailed annually
<u>Professional Development Program</u>	IDP discussed with advisor by end of 1st year	<u>Guide to Creating Your IDP</u>
Vertebrate use in research	Approval required	
<u>Written comprehensive exams</u> (General Exam Part A)	End of 4 th semester	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - General Exam - <u>Sample questions and information</u>
Oral comprehensive exams done (General Exam Part B)	As decided by the student's committee	General Exam
Written dissertation proposal done by:	Within 3 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dissertation Proposal - <u>Dissertation proposal steps and form for reviewers</u>
Dissertation proposal defense completed by:	With dissertation proposal submission	Dissertation Proposal
Oral presentation of dissertation (public defense)	Yes	<u>Defense and Final Dissertation Approval</u>
<u>Dissertation defense examination</u> (with advisory committee)	Yes	<u>Defense and Final Dissertation Approval</u>
Time limit:	8 years	