

# PhD Program Milestones

YEAR	PROGRAM MILESTONE	RECOMMENDED TIMELINE	FINAL DEADLINE*	FUNDING STATUS
YEAR 1	First Year Comprehensive Exam	Summer after Year 1	Before beginning of fall term year 2 (if rewrites are needed)	Guaranteed Academic Year Funding
	Individual Development Plan (IDP)**	Spring/Summer Year 1 - Draft in consultation with advisor and Program Director	Presented to doctoral faculty fall quarter of Year 2	
YEAR 2	Complete Coursework including Research and Teaching Practica	Majority of coursework completed throughout Year 2	Spring of Year 3	Guaranteed Academic Year Funding
	Identification of Chair Formation of Supervisory Committee	Select chair winter term Form full committee by spring term	End of summer term	
YEAR 3	Outline of Qualifying Paper approved by Committee and submitted to Program Office	Fall	Winter	Guaranteed Academic Year Funding
	General Examination (Qualifying Paper and Oral): Advance to Candidacy (PhC)	Spring	End of fall term Year 4	
YEAR 4	Formation of Reading and Supervisory Committee for Dissertation	Fall	End of winter term Year 4	Guaranteed Academic Year Funding
	Dissertation Prospectus approved	Fall	Spring of Year 4	
YEAR 5	Dissertation Completion and Defense	End of spring Year 5	End of spring Year 6	Funding Not Guaranteed
<p>*Failure to meet the Final Deadline will result in evaluation for Academic Warning and a statement of the deadlines the student must meet within the following quarter. These deadlines must be met to avoid Academic Probation, a Graduate School status in which the student has one quarter to complete academic work or face termination from the program.</p>				
** End of Term means the last day of the quarter as noted by the UW academic time schedule.				