

Time Line for Ph.D. Student

Time	Activities
August, Year 1	Start classes and 1 st lab rotation, attend mandatory workshops
September	2 nd lab rotation (mid September)
October	3 rd lab rotation
November	4 th lab rotation
December	Select Advisor and research lab to work in
January	Establish Advisory Committee, submit Committee Approval Form
February	
March	GPC Annual Review of All Students
April	1 st Advisory Committee Meeting, review grades, research progress
May	
June	
July	
August, Year 2	Work toward residency requirement of 24 semester hours
September	Need to complete Tool requirement prior to candidacy
October	
November	
December	
January	2 nd Advisory Committee Meeting, review grades, research progress
February	Determine if ready for Preliminary Exams
March	GPC Annual Review of All Students
April	
May	
June	
July	
August, Year 3	Written preliminary exams, questions written and graded by Advisory Committee
September	Write research proposal
October	Defend research proposal to Advisory Committee, submit assessment of preliminary exams form, committee-signed cover sheet, and proposal to the Department
November	Apply for Candidacy
December	Work toward 24 semester hours of dissertation research PHSL 600
January	
February	
March	GPC Annual Review of All Students
April	
May	
June	
July	