Ph.D. Timeline

Year One: First Semester
- Meet with Graduate Chair regarding your plans in the program
- Complete Form I: Pre-Candidacy Progress Form for Graduate Division with Graduate Chair
- Advisor will be assigned based upon subfield interests. Note: advisors are not permanent and can be changed at any time
- Meet with advisor and develop a comprehensive plan of study which includes area of focus, additional coursework necessary (including language or methodology courses that will be required)
- Begin coursework

Year One: Second Semester
- Continue coursework using plan of study devised above
- Meet with Graduate Chair to fill out the graduate student annual progress form

Year Two: Third Semester
- Continue coursework using plan of study devised above
- Meet with Graduate Chair to fill out the graduate student annual progress form

Year Two: Fourth Semester
- Continue coursework using plan of study devised above
- Meet with Graduate Chair to fill out the graduate student annual progress form

Year Three: Fifth and Sixth Semesters
- Continue to take coursework as planned
- Organize Committee
- Write Dissertation Proposal
- Defend Dissertation Proposal
- Take Comprehensive Examinations
- Submit Form II: Advance to Candidacy to Graduate Division after you have passed your comprehensive exams
- Meet with Graduate Chair to fill out the graduate student annual progress form

Years Four - Six
- Write Dissertation
- Meet with Graduate Chair annually to fill out the graduate student annual progress form

Year Seven: Final Semester
- Defend Dissertation
- Submit Form III: Dissertation Evaluation Form for Graduate Division
- Adhere to all other Graduate division timelines for graduation