General
Doctoral Program Timeline

***University Deadlines supersede any deadlines noted in these timelines. Become familiar with all relevant University Deadlines.

- **Admission**
- **Qualifying Exam - If Required by Program**
  - Fall Semester Following Fall of Admission
  - First Semester after Successful Qualifying Exam or Completion of a Majority of Course Work

- **Advisory Committee Meeting - Varies with program. Check with your advisor**
- **Completion of Coursework**
- **After Successful General Exam**
- **Develop Prospectus**
- **Complete Dissertation Research**
- **Defend Dissertation**
- **Within 60 days of defense or by the last day of class that semester (whichever is 1st)**
- **Deposit the final copies of dissertation with Library (2 hard copies and 1 electronically)**

* Students must be enrolled in at least 2 graduate credit hours a semester. After two consecutive semesters without meeting the minimum enrollment, the student will be dropped from the rolls. They must seek re-admission to the program to continue their studies.

** After receiving the appropriate signatures, all approved forms throughout the process, must be filed in the Graduate Records Office.