	Year 1			Year 2			Year 3			Year 4		
	Fall	Spring	Summer	Fall	Spring	Summer	Fall	Spring	Summer	Fall	Spring	Summer
Connect informally with faculty about thesis research ideas												
Identify thesis committee chair												
Work on thesis research topic and develop outline of literature review for proposal												
Form thesis committee												
Complete forms: Appointment of Advisory Committee, Program of Study, Application for Candidacy*												
Actively write and revise literature review and methodology for thesis												
Propose thesis												
Collect data for thesis												
Analyze data and write up thesis												
Complete forms: Notification of Oral Defense, Intent to Graduate*												
Defend thesis*; complete all Masters degree requirements												
Propose preliminary project												
Complete and defend preliminary project												
Identify dissertation chair and research question; outline of literature review												
Form dissertation committee												
Complete PhD forms: Appointment of Advisory Committee, Program of Study, Application for Candidacy*												
Actively write and revise literature review and methodology for dissertation												
Propose dissertation												
Collect data for dissertation												
Analyze data and write up dissertation												
Complete forms: Notification of Oral Defense, Intent to Graduate*												
Defend dissertation*; complete all Doctoral degree requirements												