




Timeline/Summary of Requirements

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| <p>1st Semester</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete your Plan of Study, and then get your plan approved by Advisor, and Graduate Director • Request for Inclusion or Transfer of Credits submitted (if transferring any credits into the M.S. program) • Ph.D. Qualifying Exam Mechanical Engineering (preferred) |
| <p>Semester Before Last</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nomination of Thesis Committee Form submitted at least 6 weeks before Thesis defense. |
| <p>2nd Semester</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ph.D. Qualifying Exam Mechanical Engineering (required if not taken previous semester) |
| <p>3rd or 4th semester</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Nomination of Dissertation Committee Form [pdf]</u> submitted at beginning of semester • Present Ph.D. proposal and submit signed copy • <u>Application for Admission to Candidacy Form [pdf]</u> submitted after successful proposal presentation and completion of course work on approved Ph.D. Coursework Plan - Admission to Candidacy must be granted 6 months before dissertation defense • <u>Approved Program Form</u> submitted |

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| <p>Last semester</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Application for Diploma</u> submitted by first week of semester• Ph.D. Dissertation Defense (no less than 6 months after admission to candidacy)• M.S. Thesis Defense• Report of Examining Committee Form submitted following defense• 1 copy of Dissertation/Thesis submitted to Graduate Studies Office |
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