

DESIGN AND PLANNING, PH.D.

Degree Requirements

Students must complete a minimum of 12 credit hours at the 7000 level or higher. One 3-credit hour course must address theory and one 3-credit hour course must address methods appropriate to the student's area of study. At least 6 of the 12 credit hours of courses must be taken within the Faculty of Architecture. Students must additionally complete a Candidacy Examination and Thesis Proposal, submit an acceptable Thesis and pass a Thesis Oral Examination.

Expected Time to Graduate: 4-6 years

Progression Chart

All students must maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.5 (B+) with no grade below 3.0 (B).

Course	Title	Hours
Year 1		
GRAD 7300	Research Integrity Tutorial	0
GRAD 7500	Academic Integrity Tutorial	0
Various Coursework ¹		12
Hours		12
Year 2		
GRAD 8010	Doctoral Candidacy Examination ²	0
Thesis Proposal ³		0
Hours		0
Year 3		
GRAD 8000	Doctoral Thesis (Research) ⁴	0
Hours		0
Year 4		
GRAD 8020	Doctoral Re-registration (as required)	0
GRAD 8020	Doctoral Re-registration (Submission and Oral Defense) ⁵	0
Hours		0
Total Hours		12

¹ Appropriate coursework will be determined by the student and advisor and approved by the Ph.D. Program Head. Courses must be at the 7000 level or higher. One 3-credit hour course must address theory and one 3-credit hour course must address methods appropriate to the student's area of study. At least 6 of the 12 credit hours must be taken within the Faculty of Architecture.

² The Candidacy Examination consists of a formal written review paper(s) and/or research project(s) prepared by the student in response to questions or topics posed by the advisory committee, and an oral presentation by the student followed by questions by the advisory committee. Students must pass both the written and oral components. Students must demonstrate the following: ability to articulate a focused research area; knowledge of significant literature and/or precedents in the area of concentration; understanding and demonstration of suitable research methods.

³ Upon successful completion of the Candidacy Examination, the student may proceed to write and publically defend a Thesis Proposal. This written proposal will normally consist of 50-100 pages. Upon a successful defense, the Thesis Proposal Form is submitted to the Faculty of Graduate Studies.

⁴ Depending on the topic and methodology, the research and preparation of the Thesis may take 1 - 3 years. The Thesis must constitute a distinct contribution to knowledge in the major field of study and be of sufficient merit to be, in the judgment of the examiners, acceptable for publication.

⁵ The final version of the thesis must be submitted by the candidate to the Faculty of Graduate Studies following the Thesis Guidelines. All processes for Thesis submission, distribution, identifying external examiners, and the Oral Defense follow Faculty of Graduate Studies regulations.