

Doctorate Progression Checklist for Physics at Oregon State -- revised November 29, 2021

Based on:

https://physics.oregonstate.edu/sites/physics.oregonstate.edu/files/Grad_program/PhDrequirements_2020.pdf and

https://gradschool.oregonstate.edu/sites/gradschool.oregonstate.edu/files/flowchart_phd.pdf

Please make certain to study:

<https://gradschool.oregonstate.edu/current/doctoral-students#deadlines>

Your name: _____

Course requirements:

- 108 credits with a minimum of 3.00 GPA
- Minimum Core Course Requirement: All candidates for the Ph.D. degree are required to take the 9 core courses (27 credits):
- A minimum of 12 credits of additional advanced courses
- Training in the responsible conduct of research: PH607/CITI/Individual
- Pedagogical training: individual program or PH699 on entry
- Inclusion and diversity training: individual program
- Register for colloquium and seminar
- Register for Thesis (PH603) - minimum of 36 credits

Concurrent MS requirements:

- Declare concurrent MS if you do not already hold a MS degree in Physics
- A minimum of 3 credits of MS Research (PH501)
- Form a committee – must include advisor + 2 additional faculty (subgroup of the PhD committee)
- Submit Program of Study for MS
- Schedule the final exam at least 2 weeks in advance with the Graduate School (MS final exam is concurrent with PhD oral exam, but they should be scheduled separately)
- Inform the committee of the date and confirm that they can attend. Send a reminder the day before
- Do the exam (concurrent with the PhD oral exam)

Doctoral Candidacy requirements:

- Find a research advisor
- If exterior to the Dept., get them on the grad faculty – will need a CV and contact the Dept. Head to get the paperwork started
- Find a GCR

- Form a committee – must include advisor + 3 additional faculty (Physics + minors) and the GCR
- Write short self-evaluation (annually)
- Advisor also writes an evaluation (annually)
- Submit Program of Study for PhD

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- Submit writing sample to committee 1 month before exam.
 - This can be the MS project writeup
- Determine special topic for the oral exam with committee
- Schedule the exam at least 2 weeks in advance with the Graduate School

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- Inform the committee of the date and confirm that they can attend. Send a reminder the day before
- Inform Kelly Carter so that she can provide the Departmental forms to the committee
- Do the exam
- Make certain that GCR and Kelly Carter are in contact so that Kelly can route the paperwork.

Names and departments of committee members:

Advisor

Co-advisor

GCR

Member 1

Member 2

Member 3

Finishing up:

- Write a thesis – get a template from other students!
- Apply to graduate near the beginning of the term:

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- Inform the committee of the date and confirm that they can attend. Send a reminder the day before
- Submit the title page and abstract to the graduate school
- Give the thesis to the committee at least 2 weeks in advance
- Inform Kelly Carter so that she can provide the Departmental forms to the committee
- Defend the thesis
- Do all edits suggested by advisor and committee
- File the thesis
- Celebrate!