**Graduate Timeline**

This is a suggested timeline for graduate work. It is by no means meant to be applicable to all students in all situations. Individual differences and the demands of research or external factors may affect the timeline. Your thesis or dissertation director will work with you to set a schedule that is appropriate for you.

**MA** **Candidates**

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| **Semester 1** | -Take up to 3 courses | **Semester 2** | -Take up to 3 courses |
| **Semester 3** | -Take up to 2~3 courses  -English exam\*  -a research plan(연구계획서)  -Comprehensive exam  -Thesis proposal and presentation (논문계획발표) | **Semester 4** | -Register for ‘Thesis Research논문연구1’  -Completion of course work  (24 credits + Thesis research 2 credits)  - Preliminary Screening (예비심사)  - Dissertation Defense (본심사)  - Dissertation Submission |

**PhD Candidates**

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| **Semester 1** | -Take up to 4 courses | **Semester 2** | -Take up to 4 courses |
| **Semester 3** | -Take up to 4 courses  -Register for ‘Thesis Research논문연구1’  -English exam\*  -a research plan(연구계획서) | **Semester 4** | -Register for ‘Thesis Research논문연구2’  -Completion of course work  (36 credits + Thesis research 4 credits)  -Thesis proposal submission and presentation(논문계획발표) |
| **Semester 5** | -Register for ‘research 연구등록’ | **Semester 6** | - Preliminary Screening (예비심사)  - Dissertation Defense (본심사)  - Dissertation Submission |