

QUALIFYING EXAMS

All students seeking the PhD in Statistics need to pass two Qualifying Examinations in the area of their choice with at least a "PhD Level" pass on each exam. Please see the Departmental Graduate Policy and Procedures for the list of available exam areas and their descriptions. Students have two attempts to pass each exam, and must pass two exams by the end of their third year of joining the department.

PhD QUALIFYING EXAM 1

Qualifying Exam 1 area: _____

Passed on: _____

Month/Day/Year

PhD QUALIFYING EXAM 2

Qualifying Exam 2 area: _____

Passed on: _____

Month/Day/Year

ADVANCEMENT TO CANDIDACY/DISSERTATION RESEARCH

A student is eligible to advance to candidacy after the core coursework is completed and the qualifying exams are passed. Students are expected to advance to candidacy during their second or third year, but no later than the end of the third year. In order to advance to candidacy, students must nominate a dissertation committee and successfully pass the preliminary advancement oral exam. The oral exam requires a satisfactory presentation by the student of his/her proposed research topic and the results of the preliminary reading and research on the topic.

Doctoral Committee: Chair: _____

Member: _____

Member: _____

Member: _____

Advancement to Candidacy Oral Exam passed on: _____
Month/Day/Year

DISSERTATION

The final requirement for the doctoral program is for the candidate to complete a dissertation, which must be an original work based on independent research, and a public oral dissertation defense.

Dissertation Defense passed on: _____
Month/Day/Year