

## Progressing through the PhD: The Four Year, Full-time Plan

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Doctoral Seminar	1-2 courses	Defend dissertation proposal before January 1 <sup>st</sup> or petition to remain in program.	Toward the end of year 4, finish writing dissertation.	<b>Complete and DEFEND DISSERTATION</b>
3-4 courses	Complete research methods course			
<b>Complete Doctoral Seminar + research methods course+ 4 half courses</b>				
Meet with supervisor 1-2 times per term; review report on progress in Winter	Meet with supervisor 1-2 times per term; review report on progress in Winter; meet with committee members as necessary	Meet with supervisor 1-2 times per term; review report on progress in Winter; meet with committee members as necessary	Meet with supervisor 2-3 times per term; review report on progress in Winter	
	With supervisor, put together a dissertation committee, complete necessary paperwork	Apply for ethics review, if applicable Complete fieldwork, if applicable	Work with supervisor to put together examining committee	
Apply for external scholarships (SSHRC & OGS) if full-time	Apply for external scholarships (SSHRC & OGS) if full-time	Apply for external scholarships (SSHRC & OGS) if full-time	Apply for external scholarships (OGS) if full-time	
Begin outlining possible dissertation projects	Maintain a daily writing practice; draft dissertation proposal and, working with supervisor, circulate to committee for feedback	Maintain a daily writing practice; begin writing dissertation	Maintain a daily writing practice; write dissertation	
	Defend dissertation proposal		Share drafts of chapters with supervisor and, when appropriate, committee	
			<b>DEFEND DISSERTATION</b>	