Identify a faculty member that you’d like to work with and that is willing to work with you.

**Doctoral Coursework**
- Qual exams
  - (submit form)
  - (NLT 1st opportunity after 18/30 hours; January and August; submit form 1 month prior)

**Establish Committee**
- Comp exam
  - (submit Request form 1 month prior Exam date; form)

**Written Proposal**
- Written proposal
  - (reg IT998; deliver hard copy to committee)

**Proposal Presentation**
- Oral pre-defense
  - Oral final defense
    - (reg IT999; at least 1 month after pre-defense; announcement posted at least 2 weeks prior; 1 second defense allowed)

**Finalize Dissertation**
- Oral final defense
  - Finalize dissertation
    - (reg IT999; checklist)

**Dissertation Work**
- Written dissertation
  - (reg IT999; need 24 total 990/998/999; need 12 999; progress form)

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