Degree Programs By Schools and Departments

The following list includes the graduate degrees offered through The Graduate School.

African, African-American, and Diaspora Studies –

Africana Studies – M.A. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/african-american-diaspora-studies/#text), Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/african-american-diaspora-studies/#text)

American Studies –

American Studies – M.A., Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/american-studies/#text)

Folklore – M.A. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/anthropology/#text), Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/anthropology/#text)

Anthropology – M.A. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/anthropology/#text), Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/anthropology/#text)

Applied Physical Science –

Materials Science – M.S., Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/applied-physical-sciences/#programstext)

Applied Professional Studies – M.A.P.S. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/applied-professional-studies/)

Art and Art History –

Art History – M.A., Ph.D (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/art/#programstext).

Studio Art – M.F.A. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/art/#programstext)

Asian and Middle Eastern Studies - M.A. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/asian-studies/)

Biochemistry and Biophysics – M.S. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biochemistry-biophysics/#text), Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biochemistry-biophysics/#programstext)

Bioinformatics and Computational Biology – M.S., Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/bioinformatics-computational-biology/#programstext)

Biology – M.A., M.S. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biology/#text), Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biology/#programstext)

Biomedical and Health Informatics – M.P.S. (Residential) (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biomedical-and-health-informatics/#BMHi), M.P.S. (Online) (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biomedical-and-health-informatics/#BMHi), Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biomedical-and-health-informatics/#HealthInformatics)

Biomedical Engineering – M.S., Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biomedical-engineering/#programstext) (joint with North Carolina State University)

Business Administration – M.S. (Management), Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/kenan-flagler-business-school/#programstext)

Cell Biology and Physiology – M.S., Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/cell-biology-physiology/#programstext)

Chemistry – M.A., M.S., Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/chemistry/#degreestext)

City and Regional Planning – M.C.R.P., Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/city-regional-planning/#programstext)

Classics – M.A., Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/classics/#programstext)

Clinical Laboratory Science - M.S. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/division-clinical-laboratory-science/)

Clinical Rehabilitation and Mental Health Counseling –

Clinical Mental Health Counseling – M.S. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/division-clinical-rehabilitation-mental-health-counseling/)

Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling – M.S. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/division-clinical-rehabilitation-mental-health-counseling/)

Communication Studies – M.A., Ph.D. (http://comm.unc.edu/graduate-studies/)

Computer Science – M.S., Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/computer-science/#programstext)

Dentistry –

Dental Hygiene Education – M.S. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#programstext)

Endodontics – M.S. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#programstext)

Operative Dentistry and Biomaterials – M.S. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#programstext)

Oral and Craniofacial Biomedicine – M.S., Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#programstext)

Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology – M.S. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#programstext)

Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology – M.S. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#programstext)
Orthodontics – M.S. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#programtext)
Pediatric Dentistry – M.S. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#programtext)
Periodontology – M.S. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#programtext)
Prosthodontics – M.S. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#programtext)

Dramatic Art – M.F.A. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dramatic-art/#programtext)
Economics – M.S., Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/economics/#programtext)

Education –

Curriculum and Instruction – Ed.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/education/#programtext)
Educational Innovation, Technology, and Entrepreneurship – M.A. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/education/#programtext)
Master’s/Doctorate in Education – M.A., Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/education/#programtext)
Master of Arts in Teaching – M.A.T. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/education/#programtext)
School Counseling – M.Ed. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/education/#programtext)

English and Comparative Literature – M.A., Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/english-comparative-literature/#programtext)
Exercise and Sport Science – M.A. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/exercise-sport-science/#programtext)
Genetics and Molecular Biology – M.S., Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/genetics-molecular-biology/#programtext)
Geography – M.A., Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/geography/#programtext)
Geological Sciences – M.S., Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/earth-marine-environment/#programtext)

Global Studies – M.A. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/global-studies/#programtext)

Health Informatics –

Health Informatics – Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biomedical-and-health-informatics/#programtext)
Biomedical and Health Informatics – M.P.S. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biomedical-and-health-informatics/#programtext)

History – M.A., Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/history/#programtext)

Human Movement Science – M.S., Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/human-movement-science-curriculum/#programtext)

Information and Library Science –

Information and Library Science – Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/information-library-science/#text)
Information Science – M.S.I.S. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/information-library-science/#text)
Library Science – M.S.L.S. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/information-library-science/#text)
Digital Curation and Management (distance) - M.P.S. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/information-library-science/#text)

Journalism and Media –

Media and Communication – M.A., Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/media-journalism/#programtext)
Digital Communication (distance) – M.A. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/media-journalism/#programtext)

Linguistics – M.A. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/linguistics/#programtext)

Marine Sciences – M.S., Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/earth-marine-environment/#programtext)
Mathematics – M.A., M.S., Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/mathematics/#programtext)
Microbiology and Immunology – M.S., Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/microbiology-immunology/#programtext)

Musicology – M.A., Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/music/#programtext)

Neuroscience – M.S., (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/neurobiology-curriculum/#programtext) Ph.D. (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/neurobiology-curriculum/#programtext)
Degree Programs

Nursing – D.N.P., M.S.N., Ph.D. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/nursing/#programstext)

Occupational Science – M.S., Ph.D. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/division-occupational-science-occupational-therapy/)

Occupational Therapy – M.S. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/division-occupational-science-occupational-therapy/)

Pathology – M.S., (www.med.unc.edu/pathology/mcpp/pts/structure/) Ph.D. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/pathology-laboratory-medicine/)

Pharmacy –

  Pharmaceutical Sciences – M.S., Ph.D. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/eshelman-school-pharmacy/#programstext)
  Regulatory Science – M.P.S. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/eshelman-school-pharmacy/#programstext)

Pharmacology – M.S., Ph.D. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/pharmacology/#programstext)

Philosophy – M.A., Ph.D. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/philosophy/#programstext)

Physics – M.S., Ph.D. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/physics-astronomy/#programstext)

Political Science – M.A., (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/political-science/#programstext) Ph.D. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/political-science/#programstext)

Distance – M.A. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/political-science/#text) (Trans-Atlantic Masters)

Psychology and Neuroscience –

  Psychology – M.A., (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/psychology-neuroscience/#text) Ph.D. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/psychology-neuroscience/#programstext)

Public Administration – M.P.A. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/government/#programstext)

Distance – M.P.A. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/government/#text) (MPA@UNC)

Public Health – Master of Public Health (M.P.H. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#programstext)), MPH@UNC (distance)

  Biostatistics – Dr.P.H., M.S., M.S.P.H., Ph.D. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#programstext)

  Environmental Sciences and Engineering – M.S., M.S.E.E., M.S.P.H., Ph.D. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#programstext)

  Epidemiology – M.S.C.R., M.S.P.H., Ph.D. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#programstext)

  Health Behavior – Dr.P.H., M.S.P.H., Ph.D. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#programstext)

  Health Policy and Management –

    Residential – M.H.A., M.S.P.H., Ph.D. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#programstext)


Maternal and Child Health –

  Residential – M.S.P.H., Ph.D. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#programstext)

  Distance – M.S.P.H. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#programstext)

Nutrition – Dr.P.H., M.S., Ph.D. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#programstext)

Public Health Leadership Program

Public Policy – M.A., M.P.P., Ph.D. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/public-policy/#programstext)

Religious Studies – M.A., Ph.D. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/religious-studies/#programstext)

Romance Languages and Literatures – M.A., Ph.D. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/romance-studies/#text)

Social Work –

  Residential – M.S.W., Ph.D. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/social-work/#programstext)

  Distance – M.S.W. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/social-work/#programstext)

Sociology – M.A., Ph.D. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/sociology/)

Speech and Hearing Sciences – M.S., Ph.D. (catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/division-speech-hearing-sciences/)

Statistics and Operations Research –
Degree Programs By Name

Africana Studies (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/african-american-diaspora-studies/)

American Studies (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/american-studies/#text)

Anthropology (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/anthropology/#text)

Applied Professional Studies (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/applied-professional-studies/)

Art History (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/art/#text)

Asian and Middle Eastern Studies (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/asiatic-studies/)

Biochemistry and Biophysics (BBSP) (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biochemistry-biophysics/#text)

Bioinformatics and Computational Biology (BBSP) (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/bioinformatics-computational-biology/#text)

Biology (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biology/#text)

Biological and Biomedical Sciences (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biological-biomedical-sciences/)

Biomedical and Health Informatics (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biomedical-and-health-informatics/#text)

Biomedical Engineering (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biomedical-engineering/#text)

Biostatistics (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biostatistics/#text)

Business Administration (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/kenan-flagler-business-school/#text)

Cell Biology and Physiology (BBSP) (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/cell-biology-physiology/#text)

Chemistry (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/chemistry/#text)

City and Regional Planning (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/city-regional-planning/#text)

Classics (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/classics/#text)

Clinical Mental Health Counseling (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/division-clinical-rehabilitation-mental-health-counseling/)

Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/division-clinical-rehabilitation-mental-health-counseling/)

Clinical Research (EPID) (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#text)

Communication Studies (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/communication/#text)

Computer Science (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/computer-science/#text)

Curriculum and Instruction (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/education/#text)

Dental Hygiene Education (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#text)

Digital Communication (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/media-journalism/#text)

Digital Curation and Management (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/information-library-science/#text)

Dramatic Art (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dramatic-art/#text)

Ecology (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/environment-ecology/#text)

Economics (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/economics/#text)

Education (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/education/#text)

Educational Leadership (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/education/#text)

Endodontics (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#text)

English and Comparative Literature (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/english-comparative-literature/#text)

Environmental Sciences and Engineering (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/environment-ecology/#text)

Epidemiology (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/epidemiology/#text)

Exercise and Sport Science (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/exercise-sport-science/#text)

Folklore (AMST) (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/american-studies/#text)
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Genetics and Molecular Biology (BBSP) (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/genetics-molecular-biology/#text)

Geography (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/geography/#text)

Geological Sciences (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/earth-marine-environment/#programstext)

German Studies (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/germanic-slavic-languages-literatures/#text)

Global Studies (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/global-studies/#text)

Health Behavior (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#text)

Health Informatics (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biomedical-and-health-informatics/#text)

Health Policy and Management (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#text)

History (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/history/#text)

Human Movement Science (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/human-movement-science-curriculum/#text)

Information and Library Science (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/information-library-science/#text)

Linguistics (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/linguistics/#text)

Marine Sciences (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/earth-marine-environment/#programstext)

Master of Arts in Teaching (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/education/#text)

Materials Science (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/applied-physical-sciences/#text)

Maternal and Child Health (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#text)

Mathematics (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/mathematics/#text)

Media and Communication (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/media-journalism/#text)

Microbiology and Immunology (BBSP) (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/microbiology-immunology/#text)

Musicology (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/music/#text)

Neuroscience (BBSP) (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/neurobiology-curriculum/#text)

Nursing (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/nursing/#text)

Nutrition (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#text)

Occupational Therapy (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/division-occupational-science-occupational-therapy/)

Occupational Science (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/division-occupational-science-occupational-therapy/)

Operative Dentistry and Biomaterials (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#text)

Oral and Craniofacial Biomedicine (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#text)

Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#text)

Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#text)

Orthodontics (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#text)

Pathology (BBSP) (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/pathology-laboratory-medicine/)

Pediatric Dentistry (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#text)

Periodontology (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#text)

Pharmaceutical Sciences (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/eshelman-school-pharmacy/#text)

Pharmacology (BBSP) (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/pharmacology/#text)

Philosophy (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/philosophy/#text)

Physics and Astronomy (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/physics-astronomy/#text)

Political Science (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/political-science/#text)

Prosthodontics (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#text)

Psychology (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/psychology-neuroscience/#text)

Public Administration (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/government/#text)

Public Health Leadership (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#text)

Public Policy (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/public-policy/#text)

Regulatory Science (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/eshelman-school-pharmacy/#text)
Religious Studies (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/religious-studies/#text)

Romance Languages and Literatures (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/romance-studies/#text)

School Counseling (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/education/#text)

School Psychology (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/education/#text)

Social Work (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/social-work/#text)

Sociology (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/sociology/)

Speech and Hearing Sciences (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/division-speech-hearing-sciences/)

Statistics and Operations Research (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/statistics-operations-research/#text)

Studio Art (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/art/#text)

Toxicology (BBSP) (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/toxicology/#text)

Toxicology (PSM) (https://www.med.unc.edu/toxicology/professional-masters-studies/curriculum/)

Trans-Atlantic Masters (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/political-science/#text)

### Master's Degree Milestones

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<td>Master’s Oral Examination or Approved Exam Substitute</td>
<td>Student has successfully completed a required oral examination or approved exam substitute. See Examinations section.</td>
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<td>Master's Written Examination or Approved Exam Substitute</td>
<td>Student has successfully completed a written exam or approved exam substitute. See Examinations section.</td>
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<td>Master's Written Examination 2</td>
<td>Student has successfully completed a second (or specialty) written exam. See Examinations section.</td>
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<td>Student has completed an approved Master’s Thesis Substitute. See Thesis or Approved Substitute Requirements section.</td>
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### Doctoral Degree Milestones

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<td>Members of the student’s doctoral committee, including a faculty research advisor and chair, have been approved by the academic program and The Graduate School. See Dissertation Requirements section.</td>
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<td>Doctoral Oral Examination</td>
<td>Student has successfully completed a comprehensive oral exam. See Examination section.</td>
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<td>Doctoral Written Examination 1</td>
<td>Student has successfully completed a first (or core) written exam, typically a comprehensive exam taken after completing coursework. See Examination section.</td>
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<td>Doctoral Written Examination 2</td>
<td>Student has successfully completed a second (or specialty) comprehensive written exam. See Examination section.</td>
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<td><strong>Prospectus Oral Examination</strong></td>
<td>Student has completed an oral exam of their prospectus; their committee has judged the dissertation project proposal to be feasible and research may begin. See Dissertation Requirements section.</td>
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<td><strong>Foreign Language</strong></td>
<td>Student has satisfied language requirement(s) if required by the program. See Foreign Language or Research Requirement section.</td>
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<td><strong>Advanced to Candidacy</strong></td>
<td>Student has passed both the doctoral oral and written comprehensive examinations, completed all coursework required by the programs of the major and minor(s), and have met any foreign language requirements; the only outstanding requirement for degree completion is the dissertation. Transcripts for students admitted to candidacy will contain the statement &quot;Advanced to Candidacy for Doctorate&quot; at the end of the term in which posted. See Graduate Handbook - Doctoral Degree section.</td>
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<td>Student has completed the oral defense of the dissertation. See Examination section.</td>
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<td><strong>Approved Doctoral Dissertation</strong></td>
<td>Student has submitted their approved dissertation, including revisions following its defense. See Dissertation Requirements section.</td>
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<td>Student has completed the minimum program residence credit of four semesters either by full-time registration or by part-time registration over several semesters. See Credit and Residence Requirements section.</td>
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