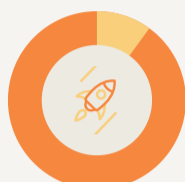


EXAMPLE TIMELINE



START PROGRAM



Required courses: semester 1

- GES 5770: History & Nature of Geography (3 credit hours)
- GES 5000: Quantitative Methods (4 credit hours)

Other actions to take to ensure progress

- Meet with your Advisor to discuss your ideas for your thesis and the courses you plan to take during the program
- Meet with other GES faculty to introduce yourself and discuss your research ideas/interests

Required courses: semester 2

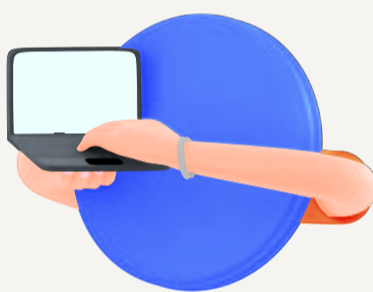
- GES 5010: Geographic Research Seminar (3 credit hours)
- 3 additional credit hours at the 5000-level

Other actions to take to ensure progress

- Establish Thesis Committee
- Begin writing thesis proposal and share drafts with Advisor
- Submit Annual Activities Report to Graduate Director



SEMESTER 2



SEMESTER 3



Required courses: semester 3

- 6 credit hours at the 5000-level

Other actions to take to ensure progress

- Once the thesis proposal is approved by the Advisor share the thesis proposal with the Thesis Committee
- Schedule thesis proposal defense
- Upon successful defense of thesis proposal begin research process

Required courses: semester 4

- 6 credit hours at the 5000-level

Other actions to take to ensure progress

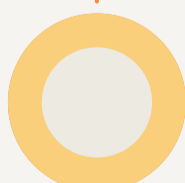
- Write thesis and share with Advisor
- Schedule a Final Graduation Check with the Graduate Director
- Submit Annual Activities Report to Graduate Director



SEMESTER 4



DEGREE COMPLETION



Final Semester

Required courses:

- GES 7000: Master's Thesis (6 credit hours)

Other actions to take to ensure completion

- Submit Application for Admission to Candidacy for an Advanced Degree by the deadline
- Share thesis with Thesis Committee 2 weeks prior to Defense
- Schedule & defend thesis prior to graduate school deadline
- Upon successful defense of the thesis submit the thesis to graduate school graduate school deadline