

# Doctoral (Ph.D.) Degree Suggested Timeline

This suggested timeline is **\*for reference purposes only\*** as you organize your academic plan and work towards your degree objective during your time in the MEES program. Your timeline **\*will and should vary\*** depending on many factors including course selection based on the evolving direction of your own academic and research progress, as well as your own research interests and goals. Your advisor & your committee members are the best sources regarding mapping out your academic plan and can give you the best advice.

## Requirements

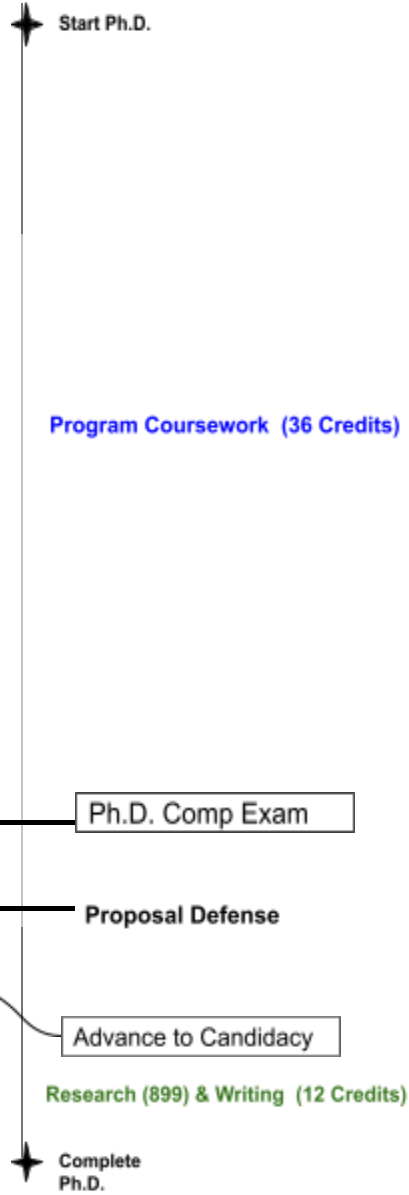
1. Foundational Course: MEES 660 - Ecological Systems
2. A minimum of three Professional Development courses including MEES 601 - Applied Environmental Sciences
3. One Issue Study Group
4. Elective courses approved by the student's advisory committee

Degree	Time Limit	
	Full Time	Part Time
Ph.D.	7 years	9 years

## SAMPLE FULL TIME DOCTORAL COURSEWORK PLAN\*

Sample Coursework for a **full time** Ph.D. in **Ecological Systems**; Core & Elective coursework will vary as appropriate.

Requirement*	Timeline	Course	Credits	Units	YEAR
Core Foundation	Fall	MEES 660	3	18	Y E A R  O N E
Professional Development 1	Fall	MEES 608B	1	6	
Elective 1	Fall	MEES 698B	3	18	
Issue Study Group	Fall	MEES 718D	2	12	
<b>Semester One</b>		<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>54</b>	
Professional Development 2	Spring	MEES 601	2	12	
Elective 2	Spring	MEES608C	1	6	
Elective 3	Spring	MEES708T	2	12	
Elective 4	Spring	BIOM 602	4	24	
<b>Semester Two</b>		<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>54</b>	
Professional Development 3	Fall	MEES 608R	1	6	Y E A R  T W O
Elective 5	Fall	MEES 663	3	18	
Elective 6	Fall	MEES 608D	2	12	
Elective 7	Fall	MEES 684	3	18	
<b>Semester Three</b>		<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>54</b>	
Elective 7	Spring	MEES 718D	2	12	
Elective 8	Spring	MEES 618C	2	12	
Elective 9	Spring	MEES 718W	2	12	
Elective 10	Spring	ENTM 667	3	18	
<b>Semester Four</b>		<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>54</b>	
Pre-Candidacy Research	Fall	MEES 898	3	54	T H R E E
<b>Semester Five</b>		<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>54</b>	
Pre-Candidacy Research	Spring	MEES 898	3	54	
<b>Semester Six</b>		<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>54</b>	F O U R
<b>Candidacy Research</b>	Fall	<b>MEES 899</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>108</b>	
<b>Semester Seven</b>		<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>108</b>	
<b>Candidacy Research</b>	Spring	<b>MEES 899</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>108</b>	
<b>Semester Eight</b>		<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>108</b>	
			<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>54</b>	



\*M.S. students changing degree objective to Ph.D. should contact the MEES Program Office.