

XIII. Timelines

A: Ideal Time Line for Masters Students

M.A. Plan I (Thesis Option)				
Year 1	Time Period	Courses	Examinations	Paperwork or Other Actions
	July/August			Fall course schedule approved by Graduate Director
	Week Prior to Fall Semester	595 Math “boot camp”		
	Fall Semester 1	501, 506 and 508		
	November			Spring course schedule approved by Graduate Director
	Spring Semester 1	Field and Wildcard Courses (9-hours)		<p>Choose Major Advisor. Determine your planned program of studies. File your program of studies with the Office of Graduate Studies as soon as you have successfully completed 12 hours of course work towards your M.A. You must file your Program of Studies no later than March 1 for Summer graduation, July 1 for Fall graduation, and October 1 for Spring graduation.</p> <p>Discuss thesis committee and thesis topic with Major Advisor. Form Committee and finalize thesis topic as soon as appropriate.</p>
Year 2	Time Period	Courses	Examinations	Paperwork or Other Actions
	April/May			Fall course schedule approved by Major Advisor
	Fall Semester 2	Field, wildcard, and/or thesis hours		Inform Department in writing no later than the last day of the Fall semester of intent to graduate at end of Spring semester.
	Spring Semester 2 (forward)	Courses, as necessary		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Complete Thesis 2. Set Final Oral Examination (Thesis Defense). Notify Department at least three weeks prior to defense date. 3. Provide OGS with a complete final thesis by Nov 15 for Fall graduation, April 15 for Spring, and July 15 for Summer.
M.A. Plan II [Exam (No Thesis) Option]				
Year 1	Time Period	Courses	Examinations	Paperwork and other Actions
	July/August			Fall course schedule approved by Graduate Director
	Week Prior to Fall Semester	595 Math “boot camp”		
	Fall Semester 1	501, 506 and 508, plus one additional course. In order to complete the M.A. in two years, timing requires four courses.		

	November	Course work needed to meet requirements		Spring course schedule approved by Graduate Director
	Spring Semester 1	Field and wildcard courses (12 hours). In order to complete the M.S. in two years, 12 hours are required.		Choose Major Advisor. Determine your planned program of studies. File your program of studies with the Office of Graduate Studies as soon as you have successfully completed 12 hours of course work towards your M.A. You must file your Program of Studies no later than March 1 for Summer graduation, July 1 for Fall graduation, and October 1 for Spring graduation.
Year 2	Time Period	Courses	Examinations	Paperwork or Other Actions
	April/May			Fall course schedule approved by Major Advisor
	Fall Semester 2	Field and wildcard course.		Inform Department in writing no later than March. 1 of intent to graduate at end of Spring semester.
	November			Sign up for M.A. exam
	Spring Semester 2	Courses as necessary or desired.		
	January			Sit for M.A. Field Exam

B: Ideal timeline for Ph.D. Students

Year 1	Time Period	Courses	Examinations	Paperwork or Other Actions
	July/August			Fall course schedule approved by Graduate Director
	Week Prior to Fall Semester	595 Math "boot camp"		
	Fall Semester 1	501, 504, 506, and 508		
	December			Spring course schedule approved by Graduate Director
	Spring Semester 1	509 513, 514		
	April			Notification of eligibility for Core Exam
	August		Core Exam	
Year 2	Time Period	Courses	Examinations	Paperwork or Other Actions
	Fall Semester 2	510, Field Courses (Can begin to count 699 hours towards required 18, if core successfully passed and Application for Candidacy is approved)		Complete form for Committee on Studies
	November			Notification of eligibility for econometrics examination

	November			Spring course schedule approved by Committee on Studies
	December			Spring course schedule approved by Graduate Director
	January		Econometrics Exam	
	Spring Semester 2	Field and Wildcard Courses		File Application for Candidacy upon passing both the micro and macro core theory exams.
	Spring Semester 2 (or forward)			Discuss research requirements with Committee on Studies
	April			Sign-up for Econometrics Field Exam
	April/May			Fall course schedule approved by Committee on Studies
	August			
Year 3	Time Period	Courses	Examinations	Paperwork or Other Actions
	Fall Semester 3	Field and Wildcard Courses.		If signed-up for first time for Econ 699 hours that count towards the 18 required, must file "Appointment of Dissertation Committee" form with OGS no later than the end of this semester. If student has signed up for 699 hours and passed the core exam, the student must enroll in all subsequent semesters (except for summer) until the Dean of Graduate Studies has accepted the completed dissertation.
	Fall Semester 3 (or forward)			Complete research requirement at earliest possible time
	November			Have Spring course schedule approved by Committee of Studies
	Spring Semester 3	Course work needed to meet requirements		
	May			Present dissertation prospectus no later than the end of Spring semester if field requirement passed.
Year 4	Time Period	Courses	Examinations	Paperwork or Other Actions
		Dissertation		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Complete Dissertation 2. Set Final Oral Examination (Dissertation Defense). Notify Department at least three weeks prior to defense date. 3. Provide OGS with a complete final dissertation within 90 days of defense. Complete final dissertation due to OGS by Nov 15 for Fall graduation, April 15 for Spring, and July 15 for Summer.
		Graduation		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Inform Department in writing of intent to graduate no later than the last day of the semester before the one in which you intend to graduate. 2. Complete all graduation requirements by November 15 for Fall graduation, April 15 for Spring, or July 15 for Summer.

The Office of Graduate Studies also provides "Snapshots" of their requirements which you can refer to at their website.

<http://www.unm.edu/grad/current/snapshots.html>