

Botany PhD Timeline - Quick guide

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DISCLAIMER: This Quick Guide is a basic overview of a typical Botany PhD timeline. The guide is meant to complement, not replace, the Botany Graduate Regulations, which describe the following events in greater detail. Graduate students should carefully review the Botany Graduate Regulations, the UBC Graduate Studies website, and follow up with the Graduate Secretary when questions arise.

	<u>Recommended completion</u>
Initial Meeting See Graduate Regulation #3 Meet supervisory committee and discuss research plan Consult with supervisory committee about recommended coursework	Within 6 months
Coursework See Graduate Regulation #5 Coursework varies; need to satisfy breadth requirements BOTA501 is required	
PhD Candidacy Exam See Graduate Regulation #7 Select 2 external and 2-3 supervisory examiners Contact Graduate Advisor about chairing exam Submit Proposed Examiner Form to Alice Submit PhD Thesis Proposal to supervisory committee for approval PhD Thesis Proposal approval forms submitted to Alice Revised and approved PhD Thesis Proposal submitted to all examiners Exam! Graduate Advisor submits paperwork to Alice	Within 18-24 months Before scheduling the exam At least 4 weeks before exam 2-4 weeks before exam At least 2 weeks before exam
Annual progress meetings See Graduate Regulation #9	At least once every 12 months
Schedule Exit Seminar (BOTA502) during final year	Schedule this at least 6 months in advance
Defence of PhD Thesis See Graduate Regulation #10b Consult G+PS website for schedule and regulations Select 1 external, 2 university, and 2-3 supervisory examiners Submit External Examiner form to Alice Submit PhD Thesis to supervisory committee for approval Submit PhD Defence Approval forms to Alice Submit thesis to G+PS for external examination Schedule PhD Defence Circulate thesis to all examiners, including university and supervisory Defend PhD Thesis	Generally within 4-6 years At least 4 months before Defence At least 2 months before Defence At least 2 months before Defence At least 1 month before Defence At least 1 month before Defence
Revise PhD Thesis according to examiner recommendations Submit revised PhD Thesis to supervisory committee for approval, if required Submit Final PhD Thesis to Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies	Generally within 1 month after Defence
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