BEGINNING OF DEGREE PROGRAM

- Familiarize yourself with graduation requirements and deadlines through your department.
- Familiarize yourself with the online training tools available on the TDO Guidance website.
- Familiarize yourself with puthesis LaTeX documentclass or MS Word templates available through the TDO Formatting and Templates website.
- Familiarize yourself with copyright and your responsibilities.
- Attend a Thesis Writing Strategies workshop.

TWO SEMESTERS BEFORE FINAL EXAMINATION (DEFENSE)

- Complete Preliminary Examination.
- Ask your major professor to create an iThenticate account that you can use as you write your thesis to prevent unintended plagiarism.
- Consult with your department regarding departmental formatting requirements and procedures.
- Use the instructional tools available on the TDO Formatting and Templates website as you write and format your thesis.
- Further familiarize yourself with the puthesis LaTeX documentclass or MS Word templates available through the TDO Formatting and Templates website.

FINAL SEMESTER

- Familiarize yourself with departmental, Graduate School, and University deadlines.
- Schedule a thesis deposit appointment.
- Attend a Thesis | Dissertation Formatting Guidelines and Deposit Procedures workshop for the latest formatting and deposit requirements.
- Complete Exit Questionnaire.
- PhD Candidates: Complete Survey of Earned Doctorates.
- Defend your thesis | dissertation (Final Examination).
- Make post-defense changes and have them approved by your committee.
- Initiate and submit ETAF 9.
- After the Thesis Form Head signs off on ETAF 9, an email will be sent to your @purdue email containing instructions to submit your thesis to ProQuest for review and approval.
- Be available for communication (typically by email) during your deposit appointment time.
- Pay deposit fee.

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