

Department of Computer Science
PhD Candidacy Requirement
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A successful candidate for the Ph.D. in computer science is responsible for all the general requirements for a doctoral degree as sets in the Graduate Catalog. Each student should have completed the qualifications for candidacy for the Ph.D. by the end of the sixth semester in residence, excluding summers. In general, a PhD student advances to candidacy when he or she successfully passes both the Graduate Qualifying Examination (GQE) and the Graduate Comprehensive Examination (GCE). Once a student becomes a PhD candidate, she or he is then eligible to take Doctoral Dissertations credits under the supervision of the research advisory committee. The following PhD flowchart depicts the steps needed to become a PhD candidate.

