		Course Requirements	Milestones	Required Forms	Deadlines
1 YEAR	1st semester	Systems or Quantitative Biology Course, QSB 291, QSB 294, QSB 295 or QSB 288	Establish lab rotations Declaration students start research with advisor		Rotation students will rotate in a minimum of 2 QSB faculty member labs
	2nd semester	Systems Biology or Quantitative Biology Course, QSB 291, QSB 295 or QSB 288			Rotation students - 3rd rotation may occur at the beginning of the 2nd semester
2 YEAR	3rd semester	Graduate-level Elective Course, QSB 292, QSB 293, QSB 295	Select Research Advisor Thesis Committee		Thesis committee established beginning of 2nd year . Meet with committee
	4th semester	QSB 292, QSB 293, QSB 295	TA for 1 semester Qualifying Exam	Application for Qualifying Exam Qualifying Examination Report	Submit application for qualifying exam 30 days prior to exam date Pass Qualifying Exam in 2nd year; submit petition to graduate chair if exam will be later
3 YEAR		QSB 292, QSB 293, QSB 295	Advance to Candidacy Annual Committee Meeting Seminar Presentation	File Advancement to Candidacy PhD Committee Meeting Evaluation Rubric	Advance to Candidacy Meet with research committee annually
4 YEAR		QSB 292, QSB 293, QSB 295	Seminar Presentation Annual Committee Meeting	Committee Meeting Evaluation Rubric	Present an open technical seminar at least twice Meet with research committee annually
5 YEAR		QSB 292, QSB 293, QSB 295	Prepare Research Manuscript Dissertation Defense	Graduation Application Report on Final Examination for PhD	Spring Graduation Application due by February 15, Summer due by June 15, Fall due by September 15 Defend dissertation by the end of the 5th year