

**TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY
HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY STUDIES
HDFS DOCTORAL DEGREE**

GENERAL PROCEDURES FOR THE DOCTORAL DEGREE

After being admitted to the Doctoral program in Human Development and Family Studies, the following procedures are required for completion of the degree. The appropriate forms can be found through the Table of Contents under Sections III and IV.

- Plan of Study submit to Graduate School and to the Graduate Secretary during the first semester (Section III, page 4)
- Preliminary Meeting - second semester (Section III, page 5)
- Doctoral (Advisory) Committee – second semester, following prelim exam (Section III, page 8)
- HDFS 7000 Project (Section IV, page 1)
- Qualifying examination – at completion of coursework (Section V, page1)
- Dissertation Proposal Meeting – following qualifying examination (Section VII, pg3)
- Dissertation Defense (Section VII, pg 5)

The Graduate School has specified that “Program for the Doctoral Degree” forms should be submitted during the second semester of study. Submission to the Graduate School **after** the dates below will result in **delay of graduation**. (This is NOT the “Statement of Intention to Graduate”.)

December graduationMarch 1 - (Of the year of graduation)

May graduation.....September 15 - (Of the academic year of graduation)

August graduation.....January 15 - (Of the year of graduation)

For information regarding these dates as it relates to your program, contact the Graduate School at 742-2781.