PHD DEGREE FLOWCHART

1. Prelim Exam: FE Exam
   - Take and pass FE Exam before candidacy

2. Qualifying Exam: Become a Candidate
   - Proposal defense: 1 page summary with future research plans
   - Submit Qualifying Exam Report to department

3. Publication Requirement
   - 1st of required 2 research publications accepted before candidacy
   - 2nd of required 2 research publications accepted before dissertation defense

4. Defense and Dissertation
   - Assemble dissertation committee and schedule defense
   - Turn in dissertation to committee before defense and defend PhD work
   - Complete dissertation approval forms
   - Create ETD account and submit approved dissertation
   - Pay dissertation fee

5. Submit Grad School Requirements

Graduation Cap with diploma