

**PROGRAM PROCEDURES FOR HOSPITALITY ADMINISTRATION DOCTORAL STUDENTS**HA Website: [www.depts.ttu.edu/hs/nhr/rhim/academics\\_doctoral.php](http://www.depts.ttu.edu/hs/nhr/rhim/academics_doctoral.php)Graduate School Website: [www.depts.ttu.edu/gradschool](http://www.depts.ttu.edu/gradschool)**STUDENTS***(Checklist for Program Procedures is on page 3 & 4).*

- **Accepted students:** Those accepted must notify the HA Doctoral Program Advisor regarding their decision about enrolling in Texas Tech's Hospitality Administration Doctoral Program by these dates: April 15 for Fall enrollment; November 15 for Spring enrollment. Send an emailed message to the Doctoral Advisor.
- **Accepted but not enrolled:** Students who were accepted to the doctoral program within the last 12 months but did not enroll must complete a *Request to Change the Initial Entry Date*, (see the Graduate School website). Their status will be reviewed by the Hospitality Administration Doctoral Program Admission Committee at its next meeting after the February 1<sup>st</sup> application deadline.
- **Returning students:** If a graduate student who was previously enrolled elects to not take classes for a period of time that is no greater than one year, the student must complete a *Request to be Re-Admitted* form in order to resume his/her studies (see Graduate School website). If the student has not been enrolled for a period of time greater than a year, the student must complete a new application and be reconsidered for admission in order to resume coursework.
- **International students:** International students should check with the Office of International Affairs regarding the diagnostic English test.
- **International Teaching Assistant Workshop:** Any international student who anticipates having a teaching or research assistantship is required to take the International Teaching Assistant (ITA) Workshop in order to be employed as a Teaching Assistant (TA) or Research Assistant (RA). Discuss this with the HA Doctoral Advisor. See the International Teaching Assistant Workshop information website: [http://www.depts.ttu.edu/classic\\_modern/ita/ita.php](http://www.depts.ttu.edu/classic_modern/ita/ita.php)  
*Note: Attendance does not assure an assistantship will be available.*

**GETTING STARTED**

- Immediately upon arriving on campus, meet with Mentor to plan first semester coursework (See HA Website for *Degree Planning Sheet*). Students should also meet the Hospitality and Retail Management (HRM) Department Business Manager in Room 601 of the College of Human Sciences Building to be certain that all paper work is complete.
- Early in the second semester, choose a Dissertation chair and work with them to plan for the Program of Work meeting (Preliminary Examination), prepare the *Program of Work* document, complete a tentative *Landscape Version of the Degree Plan*, and develop a tentative *Long Range Course Plan*. Begin discussion of a *Long Range Research Plan*. (See HA website).

**PROGRAM OF WORK**

- Complete Program of Work meeting (Preliminary Examination) by the end of the second semester of enrollment. (See HA Website for *Program of Work* procedures)
- Submit completed *Program for the Doctoral Degree* form to the Hospitality Administration Doctoral Advisor (available at Graduate School website).
- Finalize *Long-Range Course Plan* and begin discussion of *Long Range Research Plan* form with Dissertation Committee Chair.
- If changes in the *Program for the Doctoral Degree* become necessary, a *Course Change* form, approved by the Dissertation Committee Chair, is to be submitted by the student to the Doctoral Advisor for a signature. This form is available at the Graduate School website. Go to *Current Students* and then to *Change of Degree Program* form.



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Graduate School Website: [www.depts.ttu.edu/gradschool](http://www.depts.ttu.edu/gradschool)

### ANNUAL REVIEW

- A progress review should be completed annually with the Mentor or Dissertation Chair. Submit the completed *Annual Report* form to the Mentor or Dissertation Committee Chair by October 15 and schedule a progress review by October 30. (See HA Website for form). Submit a copy for the official file which is located in Room 601.

### DISSERTATION COMMITTEE

- Select Dissertation Committee Chair by end of the 3rd semester and submit the *Dissertation Committee Selection* form to the Doctoral Advisor (see HA Website).
- Develop a *Long Range Research Plan* (See HA Website)

Select Dissertation Committee members with advice of the Dissertation Committee Chair prior to the Qualifying Examination and add their names to the selection form at the time they are chosen.

If the dissertation title or committee composition changes from the title or names submitted on the *Program of Work*, the student must inform the Graduate School. (See Graduate School Website for the *Title or Committee Change* form). This is usually necessary, since few students have made these decisions in time for the Program of Work meeting. The HA Graduate Advisor should be informed of committee changes.

### QUALIFYING EXAMINATION

- When coursework is substantially completed, take written Qualifying Examination for major/minor subjects, usually during the third week of October or the first week of March. The Oral Examination is to be held within three weeks after the written examination-excluding holidays. (See HA Website).
- Upon satisfactory completion of the Qualifying Examination, the Dissertation Committee Chair submits a memo to the Graduate School recommending the student for Admission to Candidacy. If a contract was created for remediation, fulfill requirements.
- A doctoral student must be Admitted to Candidacy at least four months prior to the dissertation defense.

### DISSERTATION PROPOSAL

- Set the date for the dissertation proposal meeting and present proposal to Dissertation Committee. Send an emailed message to the Hospitality Administration Doctoral Advisor announcing the proposal meeting. He/She will forward the invitation to faculty and students. Post an announcement on the departmental monitor outside HS601.
- Complete the *Human Subjects Proposal* form and submit to the Dissertation Chair.
- Once the Dissertation Committee approves the doctoral proposal, submit the *Dissertation Proposal Approval Form* for the department file. The student should submit the *Graduate Student Grant Request form* to the Department Chair to secure funds for dissertation research. (See HA Website). The Dissertation Chair will submit the IRB.
- The Dissertation Committee and the Graduate Dean must approve the subject of the dissertation at least four months before the candidate's proposed date of graduation. (Graduate School requirement).

### DISSERTATION

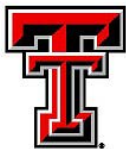
- Obtain and follow the list of Major Steps Required by the Graduate School form and follow it carefully as you complete your dissertation. (See the Graduate School website; go to Current Students, Doctoral, List of Required Major Steps).
- Dissertation defense must be completed according to university calendar deadline which is published each semester.
- Publicize the doctoral dissertation defense to RHIM graduate faculty and graduate students at least one week prior to the defense, usually as class announcements, posting a notice on the department monitor, and via email to the HA Doctoral Advisor who will forward it to the RHIM graduate faculty. Note: Graduate students are expected to attend proposal meetings (if public) and defenses of dissertations to support fellow students and learn about the process.
- The student should purchase a bound copy of the dissertation for the department. Ask for the copy to be delivered to the HRM Department, Room 601 of the College of Human Sciences. Purchase a bound copy of dissertation for the department Dissertation Chair for delivery to department bookcase in Room 601. **Red binding with black or gold letters is preferred. (The red shade should be Buckram Color Guide #188)**



**CHECKLIST OF PROGRAM PROCEDURES FOR HOSPITALITY ADMINISTRATION DOCTORAL STUDENTS**

(See pages 1 and 2 for details)

TASK	TIMELINE
Email acceptance to Hospitality Administration Doctoral Advisor	Due by April 15 after accepted for the fall Due by November 15 after accepted for the spring
International students-Attend the International Teaching Assistant Training Workshop-required before employment as a TA or RA	Second Summer Session
Check with the Office of International Affairs re. diagnostic English test	Week prior to classes (international students)
Meet Mentor, schedule first semester coursework/Meet Dept. Business Mgr.	Early in first semester
Work with Mentor to develop <i>Program of Work</i> and <i>Long Range Course Plan &amp; Long Range Research Plan-Complete Program of Work meeting</i>	First semester enrolled
Complete <i>Annual Report</i> & review with Mentor or Dissertation Chair	October 15-30 (annually)
Select Dissertation Committee Members/Indicate on selection form	By end of third semester
Create a <i>Long Range Research Plan</i>	By 3rd semester with Dissertation Committee Chair
Complete Qualifying Examination-3rd week of October or 1st week of March and Oral Examination within 3 weeks	After completion of coursework
Be recommended for Admission to Candidacy After the Qualifying Exam, the student, Dissertation Chair, and Doctoral Advisor should complete an audit of the current transcript , reconciling it with the Program of Work & the Graduate School Audit	After successful completion of Qualifying Written and Oral Examination
Announce the Dissertation Proposal Meeting to Dissertation Committee, RHIM Graduate Faculty & students. After approval of Dissertation Committee, submit <i>Dissertation Proposal Approval Form</i> .	After Qualifying Examination
Submit <i>Dissertation Proposal Approval Form &amp; Graduate Student Grant Request Form</i>	After proposal approval
Complete the <i>Human Subjects Proposal Form</i>	Get approval before conducting research
Obtain and follow <i>Major Steps Required by Graduate School</i> Defend Dissertation/Notify RHIM faculty and students of defense date	According to university calendar
Optional opportunities: Apply for COHS and RHIM scholarships Summer Dissertation Award-Graduate School TEACH Program-TLTC	COHS & RHIM - January 15th Check the Graduate School Website. Check the Teaching, Learning & Technology Center for date.
Study Abroad Competitive Scholarship	Check the ICC for Spring, Summer & Fall Dates.
Complete the Hospitality Administration-Exit Survey	HRM Department office staff



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## CHECKLIST OF PROGRAM PROCEDURES FOR HOSPITALITY ADMINISTRATION DOCTORAL STUDENTS

(See pages 1 and 2 for details)

REQUIRED FORMS SUBMITTED BY STUDENTS	RECIPIENT
Program for the Doctoral Degree (Program of Work)- official Degree Plan-landscape version/working copy	Graduate Advisor who submits it to Grad School
Long Range Course Plan & Research Plan	Dissertation Committee Chair
Annual Review Form	Dissertation Chair & Department file
Course Change Form*	Graduate Advisor & Graduate School
Dissertation Committee Selection Form-select chair and upload to department database	Graduate Advisor
Dissertation Committee Selection Form-select committee members and upload to department database	Graduate Advisor
Dissertation Title/Committee Change form*	Graduate Advisor & Graduate School
Dissertation Proposal Approval Form	Dissertation Chair for Department File
Graduate Student Grant Request Form	HRM Department Chair
Others as required by Graduate School**	Graduate School
Statement of Intent to Graduate-Semester of graduation	Graduate School
Doctoral Final Oral Examination Notification Form	Three weeks before defense
Doctoral Defense Abstract	Three weeks before defense
Purchase a bound copy of dissertation for the department (red binding with black or gold lettering)	Dissertation Chair or Office staff for delivery to department bookcase in Room 601

\* Only as needed

\*\*Check Major Steps Required By Graduate School form for additional requirements