

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND

College of Education, Graduate Studies

Progress to Degree for the **ODVWHD** Degree: Expectations for Completion

Students are responsible for knowing and securing policies, regulations, and requirements contained in University of Maryland publications and web site documents to include the Schedule of Classes, the Graduate Catalog, Department **3XEOLFDWLRQV DQG &ROOHJH 3XEOLFDWLRQV LQFOXGLQJ WKH (GXFDWLRQμ IRXQG RQ WKH ZHE DW** http://www.education.umd.edu/studentinfo/graduate_info/Policyhdbk.html as well as the departmental web site guides found at each department web site).

are advised to consult with the staff of the Office of International Services for more information when considering a leave of absence.

NOTE: Students should consult the Graduate Catalog regarding registration requirements, and possible consequences of a waiver of registration or leave of absence, on the web at: http://www.gradschool.umd.edu/catalog/registration_policies.htm#5.

4. Credit Completion Expectation. Full-time students must successfully complete (with a 3.0 g.p.a. average or higher) the required program-relevant credits each semester, and meet the full-time criteria as defined by the Graduate School; part-time students must successfully complete (with a 3.0 g.p.a. or higher) a sufficient number of program-relevant credits per year, in order to complete within the time frames specified in number 7 of this document. (Some programs require full-time attendance.)

NOTE: Designation of full-time and part-time status is defined in the online Graduate Catalog at http://www.gradschool.umd.edu/catalog/registration_policies.htm#2.

Any incomplete grades (except in thesis credit, 799) are to be converted to regular grades. Incompletes must be accompanied by a contract, and completed within the time frame stated in the contract. Normally, incomplete grades are completed within one year. These expectations are to be monitored by the advisor each semester.

The grades of D, F, and I receive no quality points. Students do not earn credit toward the degree for courses in which they receive a grade of D or F.

5. Minimum Credit Requirements. Students must complete a minimum of 30 credit hours for the degree. A department or program may require coursework beyond the minimum 30-hour requirement of the College and the Graduate School.

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possible. Departments may require additional research requirements. If a student has taken a previous course that is equivalent to EDMS 645, from another institution, the student may request a course equivalency review through the EDMS Department . However, requests may only be initiated with advisor and departmental approval. A course equivalency approval does not exempt the student from meeting the minimum credit requirements for graduation.

12. Thesis Completion. Completion of the thesis and thesis defense is required no later than the set deadline in the semester of graduation, for thesis option students. As applicable, Institutional Review Board approval for any research involving human