Sample MS Program Semester by Semester Planning

Semester 1	Semester 2	Summer	
 Core Courses Submit Plan of Study early in semester Non-Engl. Language, if needed Methods and Statistics Select major professor & committee Select Program (Thesis, Non-Thesis PhD or Applied) RCR S-20 training; IRB or IACUC certification Intl students: take OEPT and additional courses (if applicable) Apply for summer funding 	Core Courses Non-Engl. Language, as needed Plan research with committee Fill out annual progress report Major professor submits annual progress report Submit travel forms, as needed Work on research plan Submit IRB/IACUC protocol Submit Form 19, COD or RIE request, if needed Apply for summer funding if possible MS Oral Presentation MS Prospectus	Research Hours, as needed Data collection (independently/externally funded)	

Semester 3	Semester 4
 Core Courses Electives Research Hours Non-Engl. Language, if needed Discuss data analysis with committee Annual Progress Meeting with committee Submit annual progress report Signal intent to continue to PhD December15th. (if applicable) Analyze data Update IRB/IACUC Qualifying Exam (oral and written): "Pass" to MS; "Pass with distinction" to be eligible for PhD program 	 Electives Research Hours Non-Engl. Language, if needed Submit draft chapters to major professor and committee Major professor submits annual progress report Apply for continuation to PhD by end of semester (if applicable) Declare degree candidacy Make final changes to the Plan of Study Complete Thesis/Report submitted to major professor before April 1 (to be eligible for continued funding, if applicable) Plan application to PhD and submit forms if appropriate If continuing, plan summer training/prep for PhD MS Oral Defense (May deadline to be eligible for continued funding, if eligible) Submit thesis/report (May deadline to be eligible for further funding) Close IRB/IACUC Complete exit surveys

D	efending & depositing your thesis/dissertation (MS Thesis Only)	Due
_	File a Form 8 "Request for Appointment of Examining Committee" with the Graduate School via myPurdue	At least four weeks <u>before</u> defense date
	Optional: Attend a Thesis Formatting Workshop	See link below
	Send <u>advisor approved</u> abstract to Grad Administrator	At least one week before defense date
	Initiate the Electronic Thesis Acceptance Form via myPurdue	Day of defense
	Upload thesis/dissertation	See link below

Checkout and exit interview	Due
Schedule Exit Interview in Department of Anthropology	Before you leave campus
_ Complete CLA and Graduate School Exit Interview	Before you leave campus

Key Resources for Grad Candidates	
	Thesis/Dissertation Office:
	https://www.purdue.edu/gradschool/research/thesis/
	Thesis/Dissertation deposit information:
	https://www.purdue.edu/gradschool/research/thesis/requirements.html
	Commencement information:
	http://www.purdue.edu/commencement/
	Reduced Course Load request:
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