

Doctor of Philosophy in Electrical Engineering-81hr

Suggested Academic Plan*

Semester 1		Semester 2	
Core Course	3	Elective	3
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Elective	3	Elective	3
By end of semester 1, --you should have already found an advisor, or should start finding one		By end of semester 2, --you should have a idea of what your research is about	
Total Credits	9	Total Credits	9
Semester 3		Semester 4	
Independent Study	2	Elective	3
Elective	3	Elective	3
Seminar	1	Doc Research	3
Elective	3		
By end of semester 3, --you should have already started working on your research. --Prepare to the QE before the 4th semester begins		Before semester 4 starts, --it is suggested that you take the QE test By end of semester 4, --should have started working on your Proposal	
Total Credits	9	Total Credits	9
Semester 5		Semester 6	
Elective	3	Elective	3
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Doc Research	3	Doc Research	3
By end of semester 5, --continue working on your Proposal --you should also have an idea of who needs to be on your committee		By end of semester 6, --you should have presented your Proposal to your committee and have advanced to Candidacy	
Total Credits	9	Total Credits	9
Semester 7		Semester 8	
Doc Research	3	Dissertation	3
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By end of semester 7, --continue working towards your final Dissertation		By end of semester 8, --continue working towards your final Dissertation	
Total Credits	9	Total Credits	9
Semester 9		*This is just a suggested degree plan. You do not have to follow this plan exactly. Just know that you will not be allowed to enroll in any Dissertation credits until after you defend your Proposal. This route is set up to best accommodate that rule and still keep you on track without needing extra Research credits. The QE test is always held before the Fall/Spring semester starts.	
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By end of semester 9, --finished working on research and defended your Dissertation to graduate			
Total Credits	9		