PH.D. ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Before completion of 9 hours, student will set up an advisory committee



CURRICULUM PLAN

Sometime in the first year, the advisory committee will approve a curriculum plan



CORE COURSES

Also in the first year, 12 hours of core courses will be completed (OCEN 604, 610, 620, 640)

DIAGNOSTIC EXAM

The advisory committee shall administer the diagnostic examination no later than the third semester of residence (or before completion of 27 credit hours). The advisory committee may also recommend to the GPD, based on the student's performance in the four oceanography core courses, that the diagnostic exam be waived. This must be done in writing, in a memo signed by all members of the student's advisory committee.

COURSE WORK REQUIREMENTS

Entering with MS in Oceanography: must complete any needed core courses and a minimum of 48 credit hrs of lecture courses and dissertation research. (Minimum total of 78 hrs)

Entering without MS in Oceanography: must complete 12 credit hrs of the core courses listed above and a minimum of 66 credit hrs of additional lecture courses and dissertation research. (Minimum total of 78 hrs)



SHIPBOARD OR FIELDWORK EXPERIENCE

Each student is required to have at least ten days of shipboard experience, fieldwork, or a combination of the two.



COMPUTER LANGUAGE SKILLS

The student must solve a substantial problem by writing an original computer program which provides the correct solution. The student's Advisor, in consultation with the advisory committee, develops the problem and a reasonable timetable for completion.



CANDIDACY EXAM

Near the completion of course work and before becoming heavily involved in dissertation work, the student shall pass a Candidacy Examination comprised of oral and written portions.



FORMATION OF A DISSERTATION COMMITTEE

After the Candidacy Examination has been passed, a Dissertation Committee is formed to supervise the student's dissertation research.

ADMISSION TO CANDIDACY

Admission to candidacy occurs after the student has passed both parts of the Ph.D. Candidacy Examination, filed a dissertation prospectus approved by the student's Dissertation Committee, and completed all formal course work.



DISSERTATION RESEARCH AND PREPARATION



DISSERTATION DEFENSE



DISSERTATION ACCEPTANCE AND SUBMISSION



REQUEST TO GRADUATE