

## ACADEMIC PROGRESS CHECKLIST

### First Year

1. Take and pass 8 approved courses, four of which must be the following:

HI800: European Historiography  
HI850: American Historiography  
HI870: African Historiography  
HI801: The Historian's Craft

2. Take a research seminar that results in the production of a major research paper of 25-40 pages.

Research Paper #1

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Pass one foreign language exam.  
Language exam #1

Language: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Second Year

1. Take and pass 8 more courses. These courses may take the following three forms:

Courses offered at Boston University numbered 500 and above.  
Approved courses offered within the Boston Consortium  
Directed Study

2. Take another research seminar that results in the production of a second major research paper of 25-40 pages.

Research Paper #2

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Pass a second foreign language exam.  
Language #2

Language: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Begin preparing for oral qualifying exams

Select four historical areas

- i.
- ii.
- iii.
- iv.

Select examining faculty members

- i.
- ii.
- iii.
- iv.

Create reading lists for each field

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### Third Year

Submit the PhD Qualifying Oral Examination Approval Form to the Department.  
Take and pass qualifying oral exams.

- Date completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Submit dissertation prospectus for approval by the first and second reader.

- First reader: \_\_\_\_\_
- Second reader: \_\_\_\_\_

Submit the Dissertation Prospectus Approval Form.

- Date submitted: \_\_\_\_\_

Apply for Grants

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## Fourth Year and Beyond

Complete four semesters of HI900: Dissertation Workshop, and present annually on research.

Semester 1 \_\_\_\_\_  
Semester 2 \_\_\_\_\_  
Semester 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
Semester 4 \_\_\_\_\_

Complete the Dissertation

- BU GRS Dissertation and Graduation Procedures
- Manuscript Preparation Guide

File a GRS Intent to Graduate Form for the Doctoral Degree