



PhD Progression Quick Guide

Get Started on PhD Progression:

Pathways are made up of a series of badges.

1. Explore the Pathways and Badges [here](#)
2. Subscribe to Pathways using [this form](#). You will receive a confirmation email when you are subscribed.
3. There are two ways to access your Pathways for the first time once you are subscribed:
 - a. Click the link in the subscription email that says “View Pathway,” which will take you to Badgr and login with your Kerberos username and password. You should then be directed to the Pathway.
 - b. Visit bu.badgr.com to sign into Badgr using your Kerberos username and password. Then, click on the notification bell with the red dot in the upper right hand corner of the screen and select the Pathway.
4. Once you have an account and you are subscribed to a Pathway, you should see a “My Pathways” tab.

Badges are issued after the completion of the earning criteria and the submission of a brief assessment.

- Types of badges:
 - a. **Completion Badge:** There is one completion badge in each Pathway. You will earn the completion badge when you have completed all the requirements of each pathway.
 - b. **Milestone Badges:** These badges represent achievement of important parts of a journey through the pathway, such as mastery of a competency or completion of a section.
 - c. **Required Badge:** The majority of the badges in each Pathway are required badges. Each required badge covers one topic.

Pathways are organized into steps to create structured, self-paced learning. Each step has a badge.

- When you click each step, a column will appear on the right side of the Pathway where you will see the badge required to complete the step, and any required prerequisite steps. Then, click on the required badge to open a second column, which describes how to earn the badge.
- Learning goes from left to right, from required badges to completion badge (end of Pathway).
- Click each step to highlight the required prerequisite steps.
- Some steps are optional and are clearly marked as such.
- You can find the full instructions for completing each badge by clicking the purple external link that says “**View Badge Details**” at the end of the badge description. That page contains the same information as what’s in the Pathway, but larger and on its own page.

NOTE: For more information, see the [Badger FAQs and User Guides](#) or the [PhD Progression Overview](#).