Doctoral Time-line

**Semester 1**
- Establish Major Professor and begin taking courses
- EHS- 64 Credits past B.A. plus 37 approved hours in residence
- **Biostats**- 60 Credits past B.A. plus 30 approved hours in residence
- CBHP- 69 Credits past B.A plus 57 hours @ least 35 approved hours in residence
- EPI- 66 Credits past B.A. plus 33 approved hours in residence

**After Prelims**
- Apply for Dissertator Status through Milestones
- Submit proposal hearing form through Milestones
- Apply for ≥ 3 research credits a semester going forward.

**Research Credits Needed:**
- EHS- 6 @ Dissertator Status
- **Biostats**- 9 @ doctoral status
- CBHP- 3 @ pre dissertator status, 9 @ doctoral thesis
- EPI- 9 @ dissertator status

**Defense Semester**
- Register for at least 1 credit
- **Defense Process:**
  1. Apply for graduation
  2. Submit draft to committee well in advance
  3. Set a defense date
  5. Defend at least two weeks prior to graduation ceremony
  6. Finalize revisions with Major Professor
  7. Deliver warrant to Grad School within ten days of defense.

**Semester 2**
- EHS- Take qualifying Exams

**Semester before Prelims**
- Work with Advisor to establish a committee

**Semester of Prelims**
- Enroll in 1 graduate credit to be considered full time.
- Within the first 2 weeks of the semester, apply for prelim exams through Milestones program.
- Take Prelims.

**Faculty Responsibilities**

**Prelim**
1. Approves and schedules prelim exams.
2. Major Professor unlocks prelim exam applications in Milestones.
3. Major Professor approves Committee in Milestones.
4. Major Professor enters exam scores.
5. Grad Rep receives email to approve exam scores.
6. Major Professor, Grad Rep and Committee Members can amend the prelim checklist.

**Dissertation**
2. Major Professor approves hearing application.
3. Grad Rep receives email to approve the hearing application.
4. Major Professor, Grad Rep and Committee Members can amend the summary checklist.
5. Major Professor and Grad Rep are prompted by email to verify Dissertation Status.
6. Grad Rep receives Warrant of Defense, which Major Professor signs and provides copy to graduate program manager and graduate school.

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