

STUDENT PROGRESS LIST, DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS

IN ORDER TO GET A PhD YOU MUST:

1. Pass the **Preliminary Exam** -----  
*You must take the prelims at the first opportunity after completing the relevant courses. If you do not receive an overall grade of 'Pass' on the first attempt you will be allowed to retake all or any parts in each of the next two semesters. If you still have not received an overall grade of 'Pass' at the end of that period, you must petition the Graduate Chair for permission for each subsequent retake. The Graduate Chair will call for comments from the faculty before making a decision.*
2. Be registered as a full-time student for at least **three** semesters -----
3. Take **33 credit hours**, above and beyond the 30 hours counted for your MA. -----  
*(These must include **LING 621** and **LING 622**, and a methods course such as LING 630, LING 632, LING 750F, or LING 750Q)*
4. Demonstrate competence in **two languages** other than your native one. -----
5. Have a **paper** accepted for publication in WPL or other approved journal. -----
6. Choose **three areas** for your Comprehensive Examination. -----
7. Form a **committee** of 5 faculty members, including one "outside" member. -----
8. Pass **Comprehensive Examinations** (three written, one oral). -----
9. Develop and defend a **proposal** for your dissertation. -----  
*Once your proposal has been accepted, a copy must be given to the department office to keep on file. This copy will be available to all faculty and Ph.D. students in the Linguistics Department.*
10. The Department office also needs to receive a copy of your human subjects approval/exemption before you can receive an All-But-Dissertation (ABD) Certificate and you need only register for one credit of Ling 800 per semester.\* -----
11. Write your **dissertation**. -----
12. Have it declared **ready for defense** by your committee (allow 2 weeks). -----
13. Be a **registered** student (LING 800) at the time of your defense. -----
14. **Schedule** your defense (requires 2 weeks advance notice). -----
15. Place a copy in the reading room 2 weeks before defense. -----
16. **Pass** your defense and make any necessary revisions. -----
17. Take your revised dissertation to the Graduate Division for approval. -----
18. Give an **acid-free** copy of the approved dissertation to department secretary -----

\* This must be arranged with the department secretary.