

TRANSBORDER AND GLOBAL HUMAN DYNAMICS - DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

This roadmap assumes prospective students have entered the PhD program with 30 credits from a completed Master's program (Years 1 and 2) that may be used to satisfy different requirements, and that graduate students pursue the degree full time, taking 9 credit hours per semester. Each student will work out a plan of study with their committee during the first semester in the program.

First Year		Credits
Master's degree credit transfer courses ¹		18
Credits		18
Second Year		
Master's degree credit transfer courses ¹		3-4
Credits		3-4
Third Year		
Fall		
TBGD 5110	Introduction to Transborder and Global Human Dynamics	3
Methods Course ²		3
Choose one from the following:		3
Analysis Course ³		
Focus Area Course ⁴		
Required Benchmarks ⁵		
Credits		9
Spring		
TBGD 6991	Research Design in Transborder and Global Human Dynamics	3
Methods Course ²		3
Choose one from the following:		3
Analysis Course ³		
Focus Area Course ⁴		
Required Benchmarks ⁶		
Credits		9
Fourth Year		
Fall and Spring Terms		
Choose one from the following:		3
TBGD 6998	Fieldwork and Community Engagement in Transborder and Global Human Dynamics	
or		
Additional course for 3 credits (recommended by committee)		
Focus Area Course ⁴		3
Focus Area Course ⁴		3
Required Benchmarks ⁷		
Credits		9
Fifth Year		
Fall and Spring		
TBGD 7000	Dissertation (9 credit per semester)	18
Required Benchmarks ⁸		
Credits		18
Total Credits		66-67

¹ The assumption for Year 1 and Year 2 of the road map is that students can transfer a max of 18-30 credits. It is not required that students transfer 30 credits (however they must have completed a master's degree to be eligible for admission), and if they do not have between 18-30 relevant credits to transfer, the first two years will be used to complete the additional credits to reach the required total of 72. In this example, the student transfers 21-22 credits from the Master's. The eligibility of transfer credits are determined by their committee.

² **Methods Courses:** (students must take two different ones with colloquium. Refer to list under course requirements)

³ **Analysis Courses:** students must take two different ones with colloquium. Refer to list under course requirements.

⁴ **Focus Areas:** Select at least 12 credits (24 credits total) from at least two areas. Courses for each focus area are listed under course requirements.

⁵ **Required Benchmarks First Term**

- Form graduate committee, select two area concentrations, and curriculum plan.
- Pass qualifying doctoral examination scheduled by the student's graduate committee chair and the Transborder and Global Human Dynamics Executive Committee.
 - For students who enter with a master's degree or equivalent from another university, or another department, the qualifying examination should be taken before the completion of one semester of graduate work.
 - For students who earn their master's degree at New Mexico State University and will continue in the Transborder and Global Human Dynamics doctoral program, the department may allow the master's final examination to serve as the doctoral qualifying examination or may require a separate examination.

⁶ **Required Benchmarks Term 2:**

- Required benchmarks: Proposal hearing by committee. Approved NMSU IRB proposal for Human Subjects Research, as necessary. Preparation of proposals for external funding

⁷ **Required Benchmarks Year 4:**

1. Preparation of proposals for external funding.
2. Comprehensive Examination
 - Completion of adequate course work, to the satisfaction of the graduate committee, the Transborder and Global Human Dynamics Executive Committee, and the Graduate School
 - The graduate committee determines the student is adequately prepared for the examination
 - Successful completion of language requirement.

3. Advancement to Candidacy: For advancement to candidacy the following criteria must be met

- Successful completion of the comprehensive examination
- Recommendation of the graduate committee
- Approval of the Dean of the Graduate School Upon receiving advancement to candidacy, students must establish residency and follow the Dissertation Registration Requirements

⁸ **Required Benchmarks Year 5:**

- Final Oral Examination (Defense)