



IMP PhD Student Timeline 2020-21

The table below outlines a typical student timeline in the IMP program. Please use this guide to track and review your progress. **Students should meet the requirements on time and turn in any related paperwork promptly to the Program Administrator.** Students should refer to the handbook for detailed information regarding each milestone listed below.

All forms are available on the [IMP website](#). This table does not include required courses. For that information, refer to the [IMP Handbook](#).

Year 1		
Milestone	Form	Form Due Date
Lab Rotation 1 (Sep. 14-Nov.13)	IMP Laboratory Rotation Notification IMP Rotation Summary Report	Fri. September 11 Fri. November 20
Lab Rotation 2 (Nov. 16- Feb. 5)	IMP Laboratory Rotation Notification IMP Rotation Summary Report	Fri. November 13 Fri. February 12
Lab Rotation 3 (Feb. 8-Apr. 2)	IMP Laboratory Rotation Notification IMP Rotation Summary Report	Fri. February 5 Fri. April 9
Lab Rotation 4 <i>(if needed)</i>	IMP Laboratory Rotation Notification IMP Rotation Summary Report	Fri. April 2 TBD w/ DGS
Select Faculty Advisor	GDBBS Mentor Agreement Form & IMP Mentor Agreement Addendum	Fri. April 2

Year 2		
Milestone	Form	Form Due Date
Qualifying Exam (January)	IMP Oral Qualifying Exam Form	Within 1 week of exam
First RIP (second semester)	N/A- sign up for day via Doodle Poll	N/A
Select Dissertation Committee (second semester)	LGS Dissertation Committee Form	Within week of RIP (online submission form)

Dissertation Committee Meeting (by July 1)	1.) Pre-meeting Progress Report 2.) Presentation Slides 3.) IMP Dissertation Committee Meeting Form	Send entire packet as 1 merged pdf Within 1 week of meeting
Dissertation Proposal (by July 1)	Evaluation of Dissertation Proposal form & pdf of actual proposal	Within 1 week of meeting
Apply for Candidacy	LGS Candidacy Signature Form	End of spring or summer term (online submission form)

Year 3

Milestone	Form	Form Due Date
Introduction Chapter	Electronic version of Intro Chapter	December 1
Dissertation Committee Meeting (w/i 1 year of first mtg.)	1.) Pre-meeting Progress Report 2.) Presentation Slides 3.) IMP Dissertation Committee Meeting Form	Send entire packet as 1 merged pdf Within 1 week of meeting
Annual RIP	N/A- Sign up for a day via Doodle Poll	N/A

Year 4+

Milestone	Form	Form Due Date
Dissertation Committee Meeting (6 months from last mtg.)	1.) Pre-meeting Progress Report 2.) Presentation Slides 3.) IMP Dissertation Committee Meeting Form	Send entire packet as 1 merged pdf Within 1 week of meeting
Annual RIP	N/A- Sign up for a day via Doodle Poll	N/A

Planning for Graduation- Phase One

(Recommended to be completed ~ 6 months- 2 weeks prior to defense date. Everywhere you see “committee” below, this includes your mentor.)

- ~6 months before anticipated graduation- Meet with committee to outline progress and plans. Get committee approval of completion plans.
- ~6 months before- write, write, write (*Note the formatting requirements under “Preparing your Manuscript” in the “Submitting your Thesis or Dissertation” document from [LGS](#)*) and network/ interview for post-doctoral or other post-degree positions
- ~6 months before- Refer to the [LGS calendar](#) for graduation deadlines and due dates. Note these and communicate with mentor and committee accordingly.
- ~4-6 months before- Review/familiarize yourself with the [LGS Degree Completion](#) requirements and policies.
- ~2-6 months before- Register and pay off all academic fees during the semester in which you will graduate.
- [Apply for your degree](#) at the beginning of the same semester in which you will graduate.
- ~3-4 months before- Set your date and time with your committee.
- ~3-4 months before- Book a room (Contact the Program Administrator if you need assistance.)
- REQUIRED: 2 weeks before- Submit dissertation to your committee.
- REQUIRED: 2 weeks before- Send IMP Defense Notification Form to Program Administrator (electronic signatures from Director and DGS are acceptable)
- REQUIRED: 2 weeks before- Send your flyer & program to the Program Administrator. Use GDBBS Defense Announcement Templates from the [IMP website](#).
- REQUIRED: ~1 week before- Print a stack of programs to make available to your audience.

Planning for Graduation- Phase Two

(Recommended to be completed the day of your defense through the Degree Completion Deadline for your semester of graduation)

***NOTE:** While every attempt was made to provide a comprehensive overview of defense and graduations requirements, it is the student’s responsibility to review all information from the IMP Program and LGS resources and ensure they complete the necessary requirements.

- **STEP ONE:** Print and take these items to your defense for signatures:

[Committee Approval of Oral Defense Examination](#)- Requires signatures of committee members

Committee Approval of Written Dissertation

- a. This is a signature page that requires signatures of all committee members, including mentor
- b. Info & signature page in “Submitting your Thesis or Dissertation” LGS document- top right-hand corner of [LGS page](#).

Doctoral Degree Completion Report

- a. Info & link (Doctoral Completion Form) in top right-hand corner of [LGS page](#)
- b. Requires signatures of candidate and IMP Director or DGS.

- **STEP TWO:** Complete the following on your own before or after your defense and **before** submitting everything to GDBBS and LGS.

Written Dissertation Distribution Agreement

- a. Info & agreement page in “Submitting your Thesis or Dissertation” LGS document- top right-hand corner of [LGS page](#).

ETD Repository Submission Form

- a. Accessed via the [ETD website](#) and referenced in the “Submitting your Thesis or Dissertation” LGS document- top right-hand corner of [LGS page](#).

ETD Upload (not until written dissertation is in final format)

- a. Upload your dissertation to the [ETD repository](#). Follow instructions/information provided in the “Submitting your Thesis or Dissertation” LGS document- top right-hand corner of [LGS page](#).

Exit surveys

- a. Info & link in top right-hand corner of [LGS page](#)
- b. Online “Graduate Education Experience Survey”
- c. Online “SED” (Survey of Earned Doctorates- link at end of first survey)
- d. Print completion certificates

- **STEP THREE:** Take these items to your Program Administrator after your defense and before the degree completion deadline.

- ✓ GDBBS Committee Approval of the Oral Defense Examination form
- ✓ A copy of committee approval of written dissertation = coversheet w/ signatures
- ✓ Doctoral Degree Completion Report with your signature and the IMP Director or DGS’s signature. We will send this back to you after Nael signs it.
- ✓ Schedule exit interview through Maureen Thomas to meet with Division Director, Nael McCarty (phone or in person)

- **STEP FOUR:** [Upload these items to LGS](#) after completing everything above but before the Degree Completion Date

- ✓ Committee approval of written dissertation = Coversheet w/ signatures
- ✓ Doctoral Degree Completion Report with all signatures as provided by your Program Administrator.
- ✓ Written Dissertation Distribution Agreement Coversheet
- ✓ ETD Repository Submission Agreement
- ✓ Completion certificates from exit surveys

Congratulations! If you plan to participate in commencement, be sure to communicate that to the Division’s Director of Student Development and your mentor. Watch your email for instructions on ordering commencement items, picking up your hood, and day-of locations and times.