



PhD timeline

		Exam/research	Student	Supervisor
Preliminary year (only for track 2 student)	1 st term	Compulsory exams		Set/Oct PhD faculty board meeting. Each student is assigned a tutor appointed by the Faculty board.
	2 nd term	Compulsory exams		
1 st year	1 st term	Fields exams		Set/Oct PhD faculty board meeting. The PhD faculty board meeting assigns the tutor
	2 nd term	Fields exams	By the end of this period the student should have officially chosen the supervisor (who might be different from the tutor).	
2 nd year	1 st term	1 st "Research idea" seminar [2 nd half of Nov/Dec]	Student presents the Research Idea during the seminar. She/he might need to attend additional courses related to the dissertation field.	Jan/Feb: the supervisor writes a report on the student progress to be presented at the PhD board meeting. The supervisor is required to attend her/his advisee's seminar.
	2 nd term		Student ends the 1 st paper (and eventually starts the second). She/he might need to attend additional courses related to the dissertation field.	June: the supervisor writes a report on the student progress at the end of this term to be sent to the PhD coordinator.



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3 rd year	1 st term	2 nd paper seminar [Oct/1 st half of Nov]	Student presents the 2 nd paper.	Jan/Feb: the supervisor writes a report on the student progress to be presented at the PhD board meeting. The supervisor is required to attend her/his advisee's seminar.
	2 nd term	3 rd paper seminar [Spring]	Student presents the 3 rd paper.	June: Supervisor revises the thesis and submits the final report to the PhD board meeting. The supervisor is required to attend her/his advisee's seminar
Thesis defence				

Student's duty is to report and discuss on a weekly basis with the supervisor about the progress. Each student can choose different supervisors for different papers (even if not compulsory it is highly recommended).

Preliminary year – 1st term: Student must attend all the classes/seminars and pass the first term compulsory exams. The student is assigned a tutor.

Preliminary year – 2nd term: Student must attend all the classes/seminars and pass the second term compulsory exams.

1st year – 1st term: Student must attend all the classes/seminars and pass the first term field exams. The student is assigned a tutor (if not assigned before).



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1st year – 2nd term: Student must attend all the classes/seminars and pass the second term field exams. By the end of this term the student chooses the supervisor for the “Research idea” seminar.

2nd year – 1st term: Student must prepare the 1st “Research idea” seminar to motivate the main ideas and possibly to present some results (for more details on how to present see the Research seminar document). A full knowledge of the literature on the topic is expected. No more than 15 slides should be presented! The seminar lasts at most 30 minutes.

2nd year – 2nd term: Student must conclude the 1st paper and starts working on the 2nd paper.

3rd year – 1st term: Student must present the 2nd paper seminar. No more than 35 slides! The seminar lasts 50 minutes.

3rd year – 2nd term: Student must work on the 3rd paper, complete and submit the thesis to the PhD board.