

TRANSBORDER AND GLOBAL HUMAN DYNAMICS - DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

This roadmap assumes prospective students have entered the PhD program with 12-30 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. In all cases, students will complete 54 credits, 9 per semester in each of Fall and Spring of Years 3, 4 and 5.

First Year		Credits
Master's degree credit transfer courses ¹		12-30
Between 12 and 30 credits that meet the goals and requirements of this Ph.D. Program, contingent on approval by the program committee		
Credits		12-30
Second Year		Credits
Master's degree credit transfer courses ¹		
Credits		0
Third Year		Credits
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		Credits
Fall		
TBGD 6998	Fieldwork and Community Engagement in Transborder and Global Human Dynamics	3
Focus Area Course ⁴		3
Focus Area Course ⁴		3
Spring		
TBGD 6998	Fieldwork and Community Engagement in Transborder and Global Human Dynamics	3
Focus Area Course ⁴		3
Focus Area Course ⁴		3
Credits		18
Fifth Year		Credits
Fall and Spring		
TBGD 7000	Dissertation (9 credit per semester)	18

Required Benchmarks

Credits	18
Total Credits	66-84

¹ The assumption for Year 1 and Year 2 of the road map is that students may transfer between 12 and 30 credits, depending on their fit with the goals and requirements of this program. It is not required that students transfer 30 credits (however, they must have completed a Masters degree to be eligible for admission), and if they do not have at least 12 relevant graduate credits to transfer, the first two years will be used to complete those credit to reach the required total of 66, taking account of the fact that they must take 54 credits in Years 3, 4 and 5. The eligibility of transfer credits will be determined by their committee.

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

³ **Analysis Courses:** students must take two different ones. 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 Year 3

- Form graduate committee, select two area concentrations, and curriculum plan in the first semester.
- Pass qualifying doctoral examination scheduled by the student's graduate committee chair and the Transborder and Global Human Dynamics Executive Committee by the end of Year 3.
 - 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 end of the second semester of Year 3 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 Year 4:

1. 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.

2. 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

⁷ Required Benchmarks Year 5:

- Completion and Submission of Dissertation
- Final Oral Examination (Defense)