

## Molecular Medicine Program

# PHD STUDENT TIMELINE

### Year 1, Fall Semester

Core Course  
1 Credit Topics Course  
Professor Rounds  
• Every Wednesday 12-1 PM

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Lab Rotation # 1  
(Winter)

Lab Rotation # 2  
(Spring)  
Lab Rotation # 3  
(Summer)

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### Year 1, Spring Semester

Track-Specific Courses  
Course Electives

Select Mentor  
(Prior to Year 2)

### Year 2, Fall Semester

Track-Specific Courses  
Course Electives  
Mol Med Survival Skills

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### Year 2, Spring Semester

CIPP907 Research Ethics  
Qualifying Exam Part 1  
• Submit Written Proposal

### Year 2, Spring/Summer

Qualifying Exam Part 2  
• Oral Exam

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Admission to  
Candidacy

Conduct & Present  
Dissertation Research  
at National/Local  
Conferences

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### Year 3, Fall Semester

Thesis Committee Selection  
(3 - 6 Months After Qualifying)

### Year 3, Spring Semester

Thesis Proposal  
MMED Seminar Presentation

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### Year 4, Fall Semester

Thesis Committee Meeting  
Draft 1st Author Publication

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### Year 4, Spring Semester

Thesis Committee Meeting  
Draft 1st Author Publication  
MMED Seminar Presentation

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### Year 5, Fall Semester

Thesis Committee Meeting  
Submit 1st Author Publication  
MMED Seminar Presentation

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### Year 5, Spring Semester

Thesis Committee Meeting  
Prepare & Defend Dissertation

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### Year 1-5

MMED Seminar  
• Every Tuesday 4 - 5 PM  
Participate in Retreats/  
Workshops/Lab Meetings

**Note:** The timeline for MD-PhD students varies in some aspects.