# Model Plan of Study for Students Entering PhD Program with MA Degree

## Year 1 | Courses & Requirements
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| HIST 628 | Fall Semester (9 hours)
| HIST 631 or HIST 643 (or approved substitute for HIST 643) |  
| One (1) History Seminar in major field |  
| HIST 632 or HIST 644 (or approved substitute for HIST 644) |  
| HIST 629 | Spring Semester (9 hours)
| One (1) Seminar in minor field |  

**By May 1:** (1) Student should have satisfied foreign-language requirement, completed committee, and filed degree plan. (2) Apply for internal dissertation funding based on the preliminary proposal.

**Summer:**
(1) Language Study if a second language required for the PhD.
(2) Preliminary research for PhD dissertation to perfect dissertation proposal.
(3) Develop grant applications.

18 hours completed

## Year 2 | Courses & Requirements
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| Two (2) Seminars in major | Fall Semester (9 hours)
| One (1) Seminar outside department |  
| Complete applications for research funding (internal and external) before end of semester. |  
| One (1) Seminar (or 685) in major, minor, or outside field | Spring Semester (9 hours)
| One (1) Seminar (or 685) in major or minor field |  
| One (1) Seminar (or 685) in major field |  

Fall semester of Year 2 – **Third Semester Review (3SR)**

PhD Qualifying Examination to be taken **between March 1 and April 1**

**April 1-30** – distribute dissertation proposal to committee – defend dissertation proposal by **May 15**

Dissertation research in **summer**

36 hours completed

## Year 3 | Courses & Requirements
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| Nine (9) hours History 691 | Fall Semester (9 hours)
| Nine (9) hours History 691 | Spring Semester (9 hours)

54 hours completed

## Year 4 | Courses & Requirements
---|---
| Ten (10) hours of 691 – defend dissertation in December | Fall Semester only (10 hours)

Enrolling in **summer** may shorten time to graduation

64 hours completed