

EHS PhD Degree Requirements

(For 2020 and earlier admission)

- To satisfy UMass residency requirement you must complete 9 credits of coursework for 2 consecutive semesters.
- You must complete 42 credits including:

Courses	Credits
EHS565 Environmental Health Practices	3
EHS666 Environmental and Occupational Toxicology I	3
EHS671 Risk Assessment and Management	3
EHS691B Seminar: Research Methods	3
EPI630 Principles of Epidemiology	3
BIOSTATS540 Intro Biostatistics	3
BIOSTATS640: Intermediate Biostatistics	3
Electives	min 27
“Doctoral Seminars”	3
EHS899 PhD Dissertation	18
Total:	69

- It is a routine practice to waive 3 required courses (12 credits) if you have a relevant master degree. More courses can be waived based on your transcripts from previous degree(s).
- We anticipate that you will enroll every semester in EHS704 Journal Club in EH (1 credit).
- All courses are required to be completed with a B or better
- No more than 16 credits can be taken per semester
- The Ph.D. degree is typically completed in four to six years.

Milestones:

Qualifying exam: usually spring of year 2 - fall of year 3.

Proposal defense: usually spring of year 3.

Candidacy following completion of coursework, exam, and proposal defense.

EHS899 PhD Dissertation credits can be taken only after candidacy is obtained.

Thesis defense.