Graduate Program in Cell and Developmental Biology
Checklist for Graduate Students
(Revised Sep 2014)

It is the responsibility of the student to keep this checklist up to date. Place the date (month/year) that each requirement is completed in the blank to the right.

Register for 9 or more credits for the fall and spring terms, 6 or more credits for the summer term.

Graduate Recruitment Program: (IDP, NGP, MSTP) (please indicate specific program)

Entering Year:

**FIRST YEAR OF GRADUATE SCHOOL**

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Selection of Thesis Mentor (Name and date)

**Chosen in June, 1st year**

Students entering the Cell and Developmental Biology Graduate Program are required to take 9 credits of advanced courses. The 9 credits typically consist of three, 3-credit electives. ALL students are required to attend the weekly seminars in Cell Biology, Neurobiology & Anatomy throughout graduate training.

Name: ___________________________  Advisor: ___________________________
SECOND YEAR OF GRADUATE SCHOOL

FALL TERM

Students from the IDP are required to take one elective course (3 credits)

Readings and Research (to Complete the Qualifying Examination) (to add to 9 credits total)

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ONE PAGE ABSTRACT: (due beginning of Sept) ________________

MOCK PROPOSAL: (due end of Oct.) ________________

ORAL QUALIFYING EXAM: (scheduled during Dec. 1-12) ________________

COMPLETION OF A REVISED PROPOSAL (if necessary) ________________

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Section of Dissertation committee
**Assembled by July 1 of the second year**

Members of committee:

1. 
2. 
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Name: ____________________________ Advisor: ____________________________
# THIRD YEAR OF GRADUATE SCHOOL

## DISSERTATION PROPOSAL

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## Annual Dissertation Committee Meeting(s)

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**Preparation of Thesis Defense**

*Prepare CV and advertise defense date (30 days prior)*

*Send completed dissertation to committee (2 weeks prior)*

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**Completion of the Doctoral Dissertation:**

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- Submission of coverpage, abstract, CV to Graduate school
- Completed copy of dissertation to committee members
- Dissertation defense date
- Approved Dissertation to the Graduate School