Post-Comprehensive Enrollment for PhD Students

Doctoral candidates are required, after passing the comprehensive oral examination, to be continuously enrolled in one or more hours that both moves the student towards degree completion and reflects, as accurately as possible, the candidate's demands on faculty time and university facilities. During this time, until all requirements for the degree are completed (including the filing of the dissertation) or until 18 post-comprehensive hours have been completed (whichever comes first), the candidate must enroll for a minimum of 6 hours a semester and 3 hours a summer session. Post-comprehensive enrollment may include enrollment during the semester in which the comprehensive oral examination has been passed. If after 18 hours of post-comprehensive enrollment the degree is not completed, the candidate must continue to enroll each semester until all degree requirements have been met. The number of hours at this stage may be as little as one hour a semester. The number of hours of enrollment is determined by the candidate’s advisor and must reflect as accurately as possible the candidate’s demands on faculty time and university facilities.