

Engineering PhD Program Checklist

The following list summarizes key milestones toward a Engineering PhD at RIT.

- ☐ Admission to the program
- ☐ Enroll in the Foundation Courses
- ☐ Register to take the Qualifying Examination (1st year)
- ☐ Pass the Qualifying Examination (End of 1st year)
- ☐ Submit the form for the advisory committee
- ☐ Submit a Program of Study form
- ☐ Finish all required coursework
- ☐ Research and define dissertation research topic
- ☐ Meet with librarian for the College of Engineering (WML)
- ☐ Write the dissertation proposal
- ☐ Register to take the Candidacy Examination (proposal defense)
- ☐ Pass the Candidacy Examination (no later than beginning of third year and at least one year before the dissertation defense)
- ☐ Continue your research
- ☐ Hold periodic reviews of your progress with your advisory committee, submit yearly progress reports
- ☐ Hold a Research Review Milestone Meeting (at least six months before the dissertation defense)
- ☐ Write your dissertation manuscript
- ☐ Register for the dissertation defense
- ☐ Pass the dissertation defense
- ☐ Submit dissertation to Proquest
- ☐ Meet all certification requirements / graduation