

Interdisciplinary Humanities (IH) Advancement to Candidacy for Ph.D.

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Complete All Required Core Courses & Program Requirements

Refer to the Interdisciplinary Humanities graduate policies and procedures handbook for courses and degree requirements.

Website: <https://graduatedivision.ucmerced.edu/academic-studies>

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Complete Language and Skills Examination

Website: <https://ih.ucmerced.edu/forms-and-documents/forms-documents>

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Select a Dissertation and Qualifying Examination Committee

Committee must have **4** members.

↳ Three (3) must be from IH faculty.

Refer the Interdisciplinary Humanities IHGG Forms and Document webpage

↳ **Website:** <https://ih.ucmerced.edu/forms-and-documents/forms-documents>

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Submit the IH Constitution of Committee form

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Develop Reading Lists

Reading lists are developed in consultation with your chair and committee members

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Write Area Papers

Two or Three Area Papers are required. Consult with your chair and committee to determine the number of papers you will write.

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Submit Application for Qualifying Exam (AQE) Form to Graduate Division

Submit the complete application form to Graduate Division, at least 30 days prior to the agreed upon qualifying examination date with your committee.

Website: <https://graduatedivision.ucmerced.edu/faculty-staff-resources/forms-publications>

↳ **Email the form to:** gradservices@ucmerced.edu

↳ **CC:** ssha.grad@ucmerced.edu



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Submit Qualifying Examination Report (QER) to Graduate Division

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Submit the completed form within 30 days after the exam date

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Defend Dissertation Prospectus

Consult with your chair and committee to determine a date

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Submit the IH Dissertation Prospectus Reporting Form

Upload the completed form to the IH website

Website: <https://ih.ucmerced.edu/form/submit-ihgg-form>

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Complete Ph.D. Candidacy Webform Link

Graduate Division will notify the graduate student once the QER form is processed and to move forward with the Ph.D. candidacy webform link.

Website: <https://graduatedivision.ucmerced.edu/faculty-staff-resources/forms-publications>

↳ *IH Ph.D. students will select the Master Along the Way (MAW) box field, if interested in doing MAW.*

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Committee Members and Graduate Chair approve electronically in OnBase

After the Ph.D. candidacy web form is submitted, graduate students should communicate with all members of the committee, graduate advisor, and graduate chair to ensure web form is reviewed and moved through the approval workflow.

Advancement to Candidacy Approval Workflow:

https://graduatedivision.ucmerced.edu/sites/graduatedivision.ucmerced.edu/files/documents/PDFs/advancement_to_candidacy_approval_flow.pdf

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Graduate Dean Approval

Graduate students will be notified by Graduate Division once their Ph.D. candidacy has been approved and processed.

***If Masters Along the Way is selected, additional steps and processing time are required. Contact the IH Graduate Coordinator or ssha.grad@ucmerced.edu for additional information**