**Progression Chart**

Year 1: Establish the foundations of research
- **Sep - Dec**: Core: Meth I
- **Jan - May**: Core: Meth II
- **Jun - Aug**: Core: Meth III and Research Writing
- **Electives**
- **Mentor’s Support**

Year 2: Fine-tune research topic and create research proposal
- **Sep - Dec**: Proposal Submission and Oral Defense
- **Jan - May**: Electives
- **Jun - Aug**: Electives
- **RW I**
- **Research Writing Workshop I (RW I)**

Year 3: Research & Thesis Writing
- **Sep - Aug**: Data Collection and Analysis
- **Sep - Feb**: Thesis Preparation & Writing
- **Mar - Aug**: Thesis Submission and Oral Defense
- **Electives**
- **Supervisor’s Support**
- **APR**

Year 4: No specific activities are listed.

*Normal study period of 4 years (maximum 6 years)*

Core: Meth I, II, and III = Core Course: Research Methodology I, II, and III, respectively.

**RW** = Residential Workshop

**APR** = Annual Progress Report Submission