## Microbiology and Immunology Department
### PhD Student Action Plan
### Deadlines for Entering Class of 2014

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(1st year of study, 1st and 2nd semesters) | Laboratory rotations (up to 4 different rotations) |
| May 15, 2015  
(1st year of study, end of 2nd Semester) | Select Research Advisor  
(subject to approval by Dept Chair) |
| December 11, 2015  
- @ Kimsey – 1:00 PM  
(2nd year of study, 1st semester) | Meet with Curriculum Committee for instructions regarding Qualifying Exam |
| December 15, 2015  
(2nd year of study, 1st semester) | Submit title and specific aims of Dissertation Proposal.  
Dissertation Committee formed. |
| January 15, 2016  
(2nd year of study, 2nd semester) | Submit title and specific aims of Qualifying Exam Proposal  
(subject to approval by Curriculum Committee) |
| January 22, 2016 | Students informed of acceptability of their proposals. |
| March 10, 2016 | Qualifying Exam proposals must be submitted |
| March 11-April 20, 2016  
(Qualifying exams must be given to Qualifying Exam Committee at least 1 week prior to Oral Exam) | Qualifying Oral Exam must be completed. Students who have not passed Qualifying exams after 2 attempts must withdraw from Program. Students who have received a “Pass” for both written and oral will enter Ph.D. Candidacy after completing all coursework. |
| December 1, 2016  
(3rd year of study, fall term) | Dissertation Proposal submitted (8-10 pages). |
| Annually after admission to Ph.D. Candidacy | Presentation of seminar based on dissertation research to department; Dissertation Committee Meeting |
| 2 Weeks Before Defense (oral exam) | Provide complete unbound copy of dissertation to Dissertation Committee members and written request to the Graduate School Dean. |
| Deadlines Published by Graduate School  
http://louisville.edu/graduate/news/deadlines-for-submitting-thesis-dissertation | Student must deliver dissertation to Graduate School and complete degree application. |