

Department of Building

Recommended timeline for fulfilling PhD requirements

	Semester											
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
English	DET ¹	English course	English course	English course								
Coursework		3 modules ²	3 modules ²									
BS6770 PhD Seminar		A ³	A	R ⁴ P(G) ⁵ X 2	R A	R P(N) ⁶	R P(N)	R P(N)	R A			
Qualifying Exam (QE)				Written QE Appoint TC Submit technical report for Oral QE	Oral QE ⁷							
Thesis			Appoint supervisor		Fieldwork	Fieldwork	Data Analysis	Write thesis	First submission for exam	Revision	Oral Defence Final submission	
Obligatory Service ⁸		6hrs/week	6hrs/week	6hrs/week	6hrs/week	6hrs/week	6hrs/week	6hrs/week	6hrs/week			
Graduate Assistantship Programme ⁹		Min 156 hours with at least 50% of teaching/laboratory supervision duties				260 hours						

1. Diagnostic English Test (DET) for students who have not been exempted. The results of the DET will determine if the student needs to take English modules.
2. PM5112 Research Methods is a compulsory module, and only offered in Semester 1.
3. A: Attend. Students must attend at least **10** sessions (including presentations) as a requirement to pass the module. Students must pass the module before submitting the thesis for examination.
4. R: Register for BS6770 PhD Seminar module. An In-Progress (IP) grade will be given until the student passes this module.
5. P(G): Presentation, graded. The 2 presentations are meant to prepare them for their QE.
6. P(N): Presentation, non-graded.
7. Students must pass written and oral QE by 5th Semester. Failure to do so is likely to result in termination of scholarship/candidature.
8. Applicable for students funded by NUS Scholarship admitted before AY2014/15.
9. Applicable for students funded by NUS Scholarship admitted from AY2014/15.