Appendix E

PhD AHN Typical Course of Study (for students with Applied Human Nutrition MSc and/or undergraduate degrees*)

The plan below is not official and may be subject to change. See the Graduate Calendar for degree requirements and course descriptions.

SEMESTER 1 (Fall)
  • FRAN*6550 Research Seminar (Attend only, register in semester 7)
    NOTE: Attendance at Research Seminar occurs every fall and winter semester of your graduate program. However, registration occurs only once for credit. PhD typically students register in their 7th semester (when they present results)

SEMESTER 2 (Winter)
  • FRAN*6550 Research Seminar (Attend only, register in semester 7)
  • Submit program plan, advisory committee membership

SEMESTER 3 (Spring)
  • Work on thesis proposal

SEMESTER 4 (Fall)
  • FRAN*6550 Research Seminar – Attend and present thesis proposal in large group seminar
  • Complete thesis proposal with approval from Advisory Committee

SEMESTER 5 (Winter)
  • FRAN*6550 Research Seminar (Attend only, register in semester 7)
  • Comprehensive Examination (Submit QE Committee form min. 8 weeks prior)
    NOTE: Students do not register for UNIV*7000 (Doctoral Qualifying Examination). Rather Graduate Program Services adds the course to the student’s record once the QE result has been reported to them on the Report of Qualifying Examination form by the department.

SEMESTER 6 (Spring)
  • Data Collection
  • UNIV*7500 Research/Writing (only register for this when taking no other real courses)

SEMESTER 7 (Fall)
  • FRAN*6550 Research Seminar (Register)
  • Data Collection/Analysis
SEMESTER 8 (Winter)
- Data Analysis/Writing
- FRAN*6550 Research Seminar (Attend and present findings in large group seminar)

SEMESTER 9 (Spring)
- Writing Dissertation
- Oral Defense

Suggested Elective Courses for AHN Students
In consultation with their Advisory Committee, PhD students must also take a minimum of three additional elective courses. These courses should be negotiated with the advisory committee early on in the program. Please refer to WebAdvisor and/or the Graduate Secretary regarding course availability.

- FRAN*6210 Program Evaluation
- FRAN*6221 Evidence-Based Practice & Knowledge Translation
- FRAN*6270 Issues in Family Related Social Policy
- FRAN*6440 Applied Factor Analysis & SEM
- FRAN*6510 Nutrition in the Community
- FRAN*6610 Advances in Clinical Nutrition/Assessment I
- HBNS*6700 Nutrition, Exercise and Metabolism
- and/or other graduate elective courses, and which may be taken within Family Relations and Applied Nutrition or in other academic units of the university.

*Note: Students who do not have a Master’s degree awarded by the Dept Family Relations and Applied Nutrition or by a comparable program, will be required to take the relevant methods courses offered by the department as part of their graduate program. Students who enter the PhD-AHN program from a non-nutrition undergraduate or MSc program will also be required to take those undergraduate and/or graduate courses necessary to meet foundational knowledge in applied human nutrition.