

## Ph.D. Degree Learning Outcomes

### **Goal 1: Graduates will demonstrate a detailed knowledge of their areas of specialization.**

- ◆ Complete a research paper as part of student's coursework requirements.
- ◆ Complete questions on theoretical topics from comprehensive exam.
- ◆ Publish a manuscript in peer-reviewed journal.
- ◆ Present a paper at academic conference.

### **Goal 2: Graduates will master the analytical/methodological skills needed to evaluate and conduct research in their areas of specialization.**

- ◆ Complete analytical/methodological questions from students' comprehensive exams that fully cover the topic being addressed.
- ◆ Publish a manuscript in peer-reviewed journal.
- ◆ Present a paper at academic conference.

### **Goal 3: Graduates will demonstrate their ability to design and conduct original research in their chosen fields of specialization.**

- ◆ Present a completed paper in research seminar to faculty.
- ◆ Publish a manuscript in peer-reviewed journal.
- ◆ Present a paper at academic conference.

### **Goal 4: Graduates will be able to teach college-level courses in their areas of specialization.**

- ◆ Complete instruction of assigned college course or classes within course.
- ◆ Assess student teaching evaluations for each course taught by a Ph.D. student.

### **Goal 5: Graduates will be able to communicate the results of their research in a clear and effective manner.**

- ◆ Evaluate written and oral presentations from student's coursework.
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- ◆ Evaluate written presentations given in comprehensive exams.
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