

underlined has to be done by that time

# Time-Line (Master's Programs)

Each student and her/his advisor develop a detailed Master's Plan of Work and a suitable time-line toward graduation.  
Here is a generic guideline to follow.

**1<sup>st</sup> semester:** 8

- academic advisor selection (beginning of semester),
- Master's seminar (2 cr.hs),
- 2 classes (6 cr.hs).

**2<sup>nd</sup> semester:** 9

- 3 classes (9 cr.hs),
- research advisor selection (by end of semester or earlier, if thesis option),
- Master's Plan of Work.

## Graduation requirements

- GPA 3.0 or above
- 32 cr.hs completed successfully
- no more than 6 cr.hs of 5XXXX level courses
- all others are of 6XXXX level or above
- at least 3 out of 7 core courses completed successfully
- Successful thesis or project defense

*Non-thesis option*

*Thesis option*

**3<sup>rd</sup> semester:** 9

- 3 classes (9 cr.hs).

**4<sup>th</sup> semester:** 6

- 2 classes (6 cr.hs),
- Project presentation

**3<sup>rd</sup> semester:** 9

- 2 classes (6 cr.hs),
- research (3 cr.hs).

**4<sup>th</sup> semester:** 6

- Thesis I (6 cr.hs),
- Thesis defense

$10 \times 3 + 2 = 32$  credit hours

$7 \times 3 + 2 + 3 + 6 = 32$  credit hours