

## A Sample Timetable for Completion of the Ph.D.

Courses of study in anthropology varying considerably across sub-disciplines and from student to student. The following is an ideal timetable for completion of the Ph.D., and assumes a high level of funding. Students should work with their advisers to devise a timetable that suits their individual circumstances.

- Year 1: Begin master's coursework; complete at least one core course
- Year 2: Complete master's coursework, including core course requirement; complete master's report or thesis before beginning of Year 3
- Year 3: Apply to doctoral program; complete doctoral course work, including core course requirement; begin preparing for qualifying exams, prospectus defense, and funding competitions
- Year 4: Complete qualifying exams; defend prospectus; secure research funding; possibly begin research
- Year 5: Dissertation research; possibly begin writing dissertation
- Year 6: Complete and defend dissertation