Near Eastern Studies Graduate Student Checklist

Requirements to be completed by the end of the First Year (first and second semesters):

- Define Special Committee and submit to Graduate School via the Student Center.
- Attempt reading exam in first modern research language.
- Complete required coursework.
- Complete Cornell Office of Research Integrity and Assurance (ORIA) Training.
- International students who do not speak English as a first language must complete TA assessment.
- Submit the Student Progress Review (SPR).

Requirements to be completed by the end of the Second Year (third and fourth semesters):

- Meet with the Special Committee for a “Q” exercise.
- Meet with Special Committee to draft a preliminary program of study for the upcoming semesters; and to determine the subfields of study in which the student will be examined for admission to candidacy.
- Attempt reading exam in second modern research language.
- Submit the Student Progress Review (SPR).
- Complete required coursework.

Requirements to be completed by the end of the Third Year (fifth and sixth semesters):

- Pass reading exams in both modern research languages.
- Fall semester: meet with full committee to establish a format and time line for the A-exam.
- Complete A-exam by the end of sixth semester.
- Submit the Student Progress Review (SPR).

Requirements to be completed by the end of the Fourth and Fifth Years (seventh thru tenth semesters):

- Submit the dissertation prospectus.
- Present dissertation research in the NES Colloquium
- Submit the Student Progress Review (SPR).