

# MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS (PH.D.)

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**Offered by:** Mathematics and Statistics (Faculty of Science)

**Degree:** Doctor of Philosophy

## Program Description

The Ph.D. in Mathematics and Statistics focuses on research in the mathematical or statistical sciences, including the completion of original research publishable in mainstream refereed journals.

**Note:** For information about Fall 2025 and Winter 2026 course offerings, please check back on May 8, 2025. Until then, the "Terms offered" field will appear blank for most courses while the class schedule is being finalized.

## Thesis

A thesis for the doctoral degree must constitute original scholarship and must be a distinct contribution to knowledge. It must show familiarity with previous work in the field and must demonstrate ability to plan and carry out research, organize results, and defend the approach and conclusions in a scholarly manner. The research presented must meet current standards of the discipline; as well, the thesis must clearly demonstrate how the research advances knowledge in the field. Finally, the thesis must be written in compliance with norms for academic and scholarly expression and for publication in the public domain.

## Required Courses

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Course	Title	Credits
MATH 701	Ph.D. Qualifying Examination .	0

## Complementary Courses (21 credits)

21 credits of courses at the 500 level or above, including at least 6 credits at the 600 level or above. The choice of courses to fulfill this requirement must be prior approved by the student's Advisory Committee. The Department recommends that students take complementary courses in at least three different areas of Mathematics and Statistics.

All credits of complementary courses should be taken before the end of PhD 3. In exceptional circumstances, an extension can be granted by the student's Advisory Committee.

Students who wish to take more than 8 credits of complementary courses from outside the Department should request approval from the Graduate Program Director.