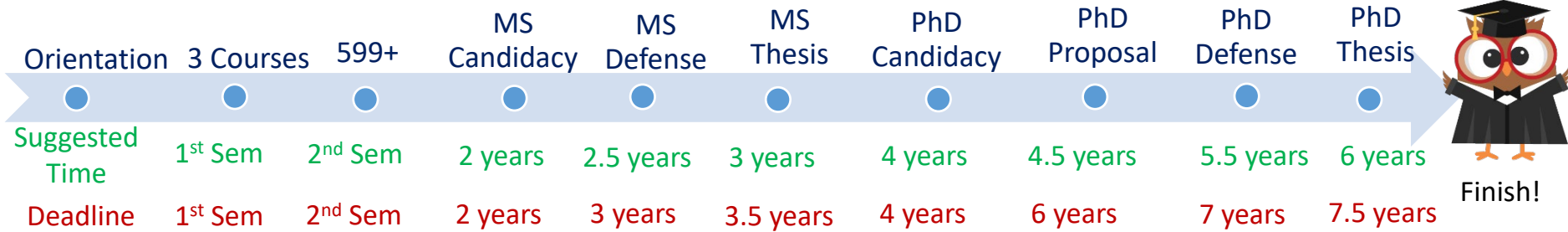


ECE PhD Handbook Cheat Sheet (PhD Degree Timeline)

- Refer to handbook or talk to graduate committee advisor for details.
- Courses with grade C or below do not count towards MS/PHD degree requirements



599+	MS Candidacy	MS Defense	MS Thesis	PhD Candidacy	PhD Proposal	PhD Defense	PhD Thesis
<p><u>Credits</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 12 credits (4 courses) of non-599 coursework completed - 599 Research with grade of A- or higher <p><u>Extra</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Communication Seminars (1.5 hrs weekly) 	<p><u>Credits</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 30 total credit hours - 6 core and breadth (C&B) courses (18 hrs)* - 599 (6 hrs) - Research (ELEC 800) (6 hrs) - ELEC 699 (each semester) <p><u>Procedure</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Submit petition for Approval of MS Candidacy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Oral defense evaluated by 3 committee members <p><u>Procedure</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Thesis and Approval of Candidacy Form should be uploaded within one week from your defense 	<p><u>Procedure</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Submit thesis within 6 months from defense 	<p><u>Credits (Total 90)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 60 credit post MS - Total of 10 C&B courses (30 credits)** - 4 C&B courses (12 credits) after MS - Research (ELEC 800) (48 hrs) - ELEC 699 (each semester) <p><u>Procedure</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Submit petition for Approval of PhD Candidacy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Oral presentation to the thesis committee <p><u>Procedure</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Meet with Graduate Administrator to generate form 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Oral defense evaluated by at least 3 members including thesis director and committee chair <p><u>Procedure</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Upload Approval of Candidacy Form 	<p><u>Procedure</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Submit thesis within 6 months from defense <p><u>Extra</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Complete about 6 semester of grader/TA service

* Any ELEC 5XX or 6XX course. Any 500 level or higher non ELEC course can count with approval from graduate advisor.

** With approved prior MS, this reduces to 6 C&B courses (18 credits). With prior MS that's not approved you can transfer up to two MS level courses from previous degree allowing you to take only 8 C&B courses at Rice (24 credits).