

Master of Science Checklist

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Requirements	Deadline
<p>Appointment of Advisory Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Composed of the student's major professor, who serves as chair, and two other faculty members. <input type="checkbox"/> The major professor must be a member of the Warnell faculty (no adjunct members may serve as major professor) and must be working in the student's study area. <input type="checkbox"/> The major professor and at least one other member of the committee must be members of the Graduate Faculty. If more than three members are appointed, a majority of the committee must be members of the Graduate Faculty. <input type="checkbox"/> Of the two additional members of the committee, one must work in a study area outside the student's area of concentration. The outside representative may be from another school or college of the University. <input type="checkbox"/> All committee members must hold the rank of assistant professor or above, or the equivalent. 	<p>Before the end of the first semester. (Form Required. Access Graduate School Forms at: http://www.uga.edu/gradschool/forms&publications/currentstudent_forms.html)</p> <p>NOTE: <u>Must have form reviewed by Graduate Program Academic Advisor prior to obtaining committee signatures.</u></p>
<p>First Committee Meeting</p>	<p>Before the end of the first semester.</p>
<p>Program of Study</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Requires 30 hours of graduate credit, of which 3 hours must be in Scientific Research in Forestry and Natural Resources (FANR 8200) and 3 hours in Master's Thesis (FANR 7300), and no more than 6 hours may be Research (FANR 7000). <input type="checkbox"/> At least 12 of the 30 hours must be in courses open only to graduate students, exclusive of credit in Master's Research (FANR 7000) and the required 3 hours of Master's Thesis (FANR 7300), and not in excess of 2 hours of graduate seminar or 3 hours of Problems. <input type="checkbox"/> Students are allowed no more than 3 hours each of Problems or Applied Research under one faculty member, with no more than a total of 6 hours in each course. <input type="checkbox"/> Only 6 hours of Master's Research (FANR 7000) and 3 hours of Master's Thesis (FANR 7300) can be applied to the 30-hour total on the Program of Study. <input type="checkbox"/> Warnell skills requirement: Experimental Methods in Forestry and Natural Resources Research (FANR 6750) or Statistical Methods II (STAT 6220) or a higher level statistics course. <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Fisheries and Wildlife majors only</i> — One semester hour of graduate seminar (e.g., WILD(FISH) 8300, BTNY 8840, CBIO 8490, etc.). <input type="checkbox"/> An overall average of 3.0 must be maintained on all courses on the Program of Study, with no grade below a <i>C</i> on any course. 	<p>Before the end of the first semester. (Form Required. Access Graduate School Forms at: http://www.uga.edu/gradschool/forms&publications/currentstudent_forms.html)</p> <p>NOTE: <u>Must have form reviewed by Graduate Program Academic Advisor prior to obtaining committee signatures.</u></p>
<p>Residency Requirement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The minimum residence requirement is two semesters which do not have to be consecutive. 	

<p>Research Prospectus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Must submit a written research proposal for approval by the Advisory Committee. 	<p>Must be completed before significant research work is undertaken and no later than the end of the first year. <i>(Form Required. Access Forms at: http://www.warnell.uga.edu/grad/forms/research_prospectus.pdf)</i></p>
<p>Application for Graduation <i>(This form must be submitted on-line with the Graduation Office in the Graduate School.)</i></p>	<p>Must be submitted directly to the Graduate School at least one semester prior to graduation. <i>(Form Required. Access Graduate School Forms at: http://www.uga.edu/gradschool/forms&publications/currentstudent_forms.html)</i></p>
<p>Thesis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> To Advisory Committee one month before defense. <input type="checkbox"/> Submit electronically for format check by deadline issued by the Graduate School. <input type="checkbox"/> Registration requirement: Student must be registered for at least 3 hours of graduate-level course work during the semester in which the thesis is completed and submitted to the Graduate School. 	<p>Final version must be submitted electronically by deadline date issued by the Graduate School at: http://www.uga.edu/gradschool/academics/deadlines.html</p>
<p>Final Oral Examination</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Must be scheduled with the Warnell Graduate Program Office at least two weeks prior to exam. <input type="checkbox"/> Examination covering Program of Study must be administered by the Advisory Committee, open to all members of the faculty, and announced by the Warnell Graduate Program Office. <input type="checkbox"/> Registration requirement: Student must be registered for at least 3 hours of graduate-level course work during the semester in which the final oral examination is taken and the results reported. 	<p>Exam date must be reported to the Warnell Graduate Program Office at least two weeks prior to exam. <i>(Form Required. Access Forms at: http://www.warnell.uga.edu/grad/forms/noticeofexam.pdf)</i></p>
<p>Exit Interview</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The Exit Questionnaire and Exit Interview are a required part of the graduation process. MS students must schedule the Exit Interview and indicate the time and date on the Notice of Examination form when it is submitted for the thesis defense. 	<p>Appointment must be set and recorded on Notification of Examination form. Exit Questionnaire submitted at Interview. <i>(Form Required. Access Forms at: http://www.warnell.uga.edu/grad/forms/noticeofexam.pdf)</i></p>
<p>Thesis Seminar and Defense</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Must be scheduled with the Warnell Graduate Program Office at least two weeks prior to the thesis defense. <input type="checkbox"/> Defense must be administered by the Advisory Committee, open to all members of the faculty, and announced by the Warnell Graduate Program Office. <input type="checkbox"/> Registration requirement: Student must be registered for at least 3 hours of graduate-level course work during the semester in which the thesis is defended and the results reported. 	<p>Defense date must be reported to the Warnell Graduate Program Office at least two weeks prior to exam. <i>(Form Required. Access Forms at: http://www.warnell.uga.edu/grad/forms/noticeofexam.pdf)</i></p>