A Reasonable Timeline To SES Degree Completion

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February

September

TERM 1 - ALL PROGRAMS

PROGRAM START!

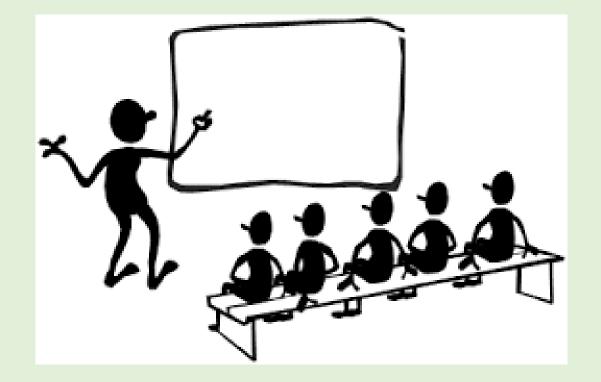


September 1st - December 31st

TERM 1 - ALL PROGRAMS

 Complete ENSC 801 and any other chosen elective(s)

 Discuss research ideas with supervisor(s) and/or advisor(s)



January 1st - April 30th

TERM 2 – All Programs

- Complete ENSC 802 and any other chosen elective(s)
- Build on the literature review that you've started in 801
- Continue to develop ideas for proposal in consultation with supervisor(s)/advisor(s)
- Also discuss potential supervisory committee members
- The Winter Term is an excellent time to reach out to potential committee members, with an aim to hold your first supervisory committee meeting sometime over the 3rd or 4th Term (VIP)!!!

End of Term 2ish... Last week of April or 1st Week of May

ALL PROGRAMS - Present research ideas at annual SES Research Day



 Excellent opportunity to obtain feedback from your peers

May 1st - August 31st

TERM 3 - ALL PROGRAMS - THIS IS A KEY TERM!!!

- Summer course(s) if so desired
- NOTE Depending on YOUR work habits and/or fieldwork or labwork commitments, you choose whether to complete courses in your first year or save one or more courses for the following year
- PhDs should be working on their 1st draft proposal for the COMPREHENSIVE EXAM

May 1st - August 31st

TERM 3 Continued

- 1st Summer term is the <u>BEST TIME</u> to focus on your thesis or project work:
 - The completion of your lit review
 - Narrowing down of methods
 - HOLDING YOUR FIRST COMMITTEE MEETING (as early as possible!)
 - Ethics approval if needed
 - Conducting lab/field research





September 1st - December 31st

TERM 4

- Complete coursework as needed:
 - Remember that MES-R grads need 4 grad-level courses, MES-C require 6 courses, PhDs need 3 courses
- Complete lit review and start writing up methods and initial results and/or continue with data gathering/generating
- At the start of Term 4 you should have had your first supervisory committee meeting

September 1st - December 31st

TERM 4 Continued

- MES-R: Depending on progress and supervisory feedback start thinking about structuring your discussion chapter
- MES-C: Should be wrapping up research project work; should be well into writing your project report
 - This is a good time to reach out to an external second reader to help evaluate your project report for the next term
- PhDs: Should be refining and submitting their 1st draft proposal to supervisor(s)

January 1st - April 30th

TERM 5

- MES:
- Complete coursework IF NECESSARY
- Hold second supervisory committee meeting if desired
- Wrap up field/lab work



Continue writing up results and work on discussion and conclusion chapters

January 1st - April 30th

TERM 5 Continued

- MES-C grads should be submitting their reports to their advisor(s) and chosen second reader in order to complete their program requirements by the end of this term
- Present findings at Research Day and incorporate any feedback into your thesis or project
- Research Day is also an excellent opportunity to ask other faculty about possibly serving on your MES-R defense committee!
- PhDs! Early in the term you should work on proposal revisions and submit a polished draft to your COMPS committee!
 - The committee will give a question to the candidate to work on for 10 business days

May



TERM 6

• MES-R: Meet with supervisor(s)

Present at Research Day! Again!

 Aim to complete a 1st draft of the thesis by the end of the month

June - August 31st

TERM 6 Cont'd

- 1. MES-R: Meet with supervisor(s) to edit and revise thesis as needed
- 2. Organize and prepare for MES Defense (comps for PhDs who still need to)
- 3. DEFEND
- 4. Complete any required revisions

5. SUBMIT FINAL THESIS VERSION ON QSPACE!

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CONVOCATE!!!



And now for something completely different... Sort of...



Dr. Jamieson's 11-Step Program to MES-R Degree Completion for this academic year – <u>by August 31, 2025</u>

Aimed at 2nd year MES looking to defend this summer or PhDs getting ready for comprehensive exams

AUGUST 31st, 2025 (Can extend into September)

FINAL SUBMISSION to QSPACE (COMPLETION!)



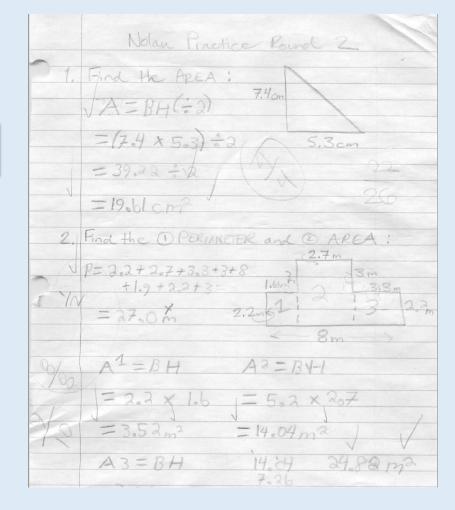


Queen's University Research & Learning Repository

To complete by the end of August you should set a defense date a little earlier, say AUGUST 16th to give you enough time to complete the final revisions as directed by your examining committee

Between August 16th and 31st, 2025

FINAL corrections based on examiners' comments



AUGUST 16th, 2025

DEFEND THESIS!



AUGUST 5th, 2025

After last read-through by supervisor(s) by the end of the first week of August SUBMIT THESIS TO EXAMINING COMMITTEE

Between July 23rd and August 5th, 2025

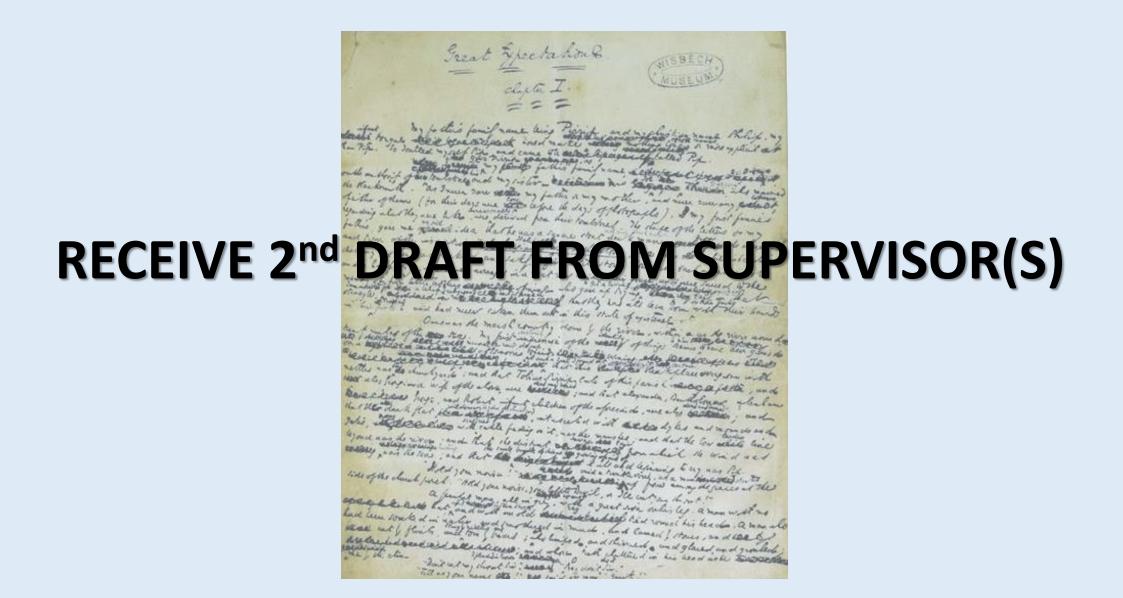
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DRAFT EDITS

"I really enjoy writing my master thesis" said no one ever.

FINISH WORK ON APPENDICES
OR ANY EXTRAS



JULY 23rd, 2025



July 2nd, 2025

Great Expectations

Planet PDF

Chapter 1

My father's family name being Pirrip, and my Christian name Philip, my infant tongue could make of both names nothing longer or more explicit than Pip. So, I called myself Pip, and came to be called Pip.

I give Pirrip as my father's family name, on the authority of his tombstone and my sister - Mrs. Joe

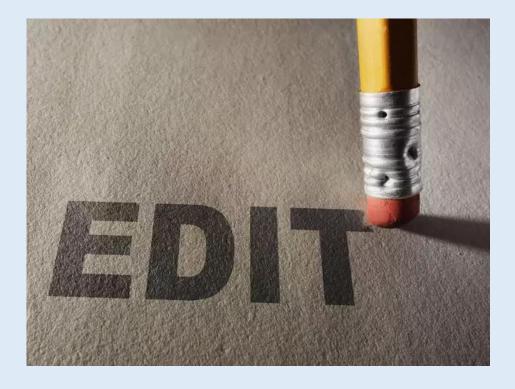
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Between June 14th and July 2nd, 2025

 WORK ON THE FIRST SET OF DRAFT EDITS

 ALSO WORK ON APPENDICES OR ANY EXTRAS



JUNE 14th, 2025

1ST DRAFT EDITS:

- Receive 1st draft back from supervisor(s)
- Address all comments/suggestions



MAY 27th, 2025

SUBMIT 1ST DRAFT TO SUPERVISOR(S)



Thanks for Listening! Any Questions?