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| **CCS Program Chronology** | |
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| The following summarizes the program requirements as they would occur in a typical course of study. Students and their Mentors/Advisors should consult this outline each semester to ensure all requirements are being met. | |
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| **First Year** | |
| **Fall (Semester 1)** | **Spring (Semester 2)** |
| MUSI 7511 Introduction to Research (3 cr) | MUSI 8920 Supervised Research (3 cr) |
| MUSI 8910 Supervised Research (3 cr) | Seminar (3 cr) |
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| Seminar (3 cr) | Seminar (3 cr) |
| **Milestones:**  Submit Plan for language acquisition by end of first semester. | |
| **Second Year** | |
| **Fall (Semester 3)** | **Spring (Semester 4)** |
| MUSI 9910 Supervised Research (3 cr) | MUSI 9920 Supervised Research (3 cr) |
| Seminar (3 cr) | Seminar (3 cr) |
| Seminar (3 cr) | Seminar (3 cr) |
| Seminar (3 cr) | Seminar (3 cr) |
| **Milestones:**  Appointment of [Ph.D. Qualifying Exam Committee](https://music.virginia.edu/sites/music.virginia.edu/files/Exam%20Committee%20Form.pdf)  Apply for [en Route Master’s](https://graduate.as.virginia.edu/sites/graduate.as.virginia.edu/files/Master%27s%20Degree%20Request%20Form-2017-18.pdf)  \*Recommended deadlines. Both foreign language examinations should be completed by the end of the Fall semester in Year 3. | |
| **Third Year** | |
| **Fall (Semester 5)** | **Spring (Semester 6)** |
| MUSI 9998 Non-Topical Research (9 cr)\*  \*divide into three courses (one per faculty advisor) at 3 cr each | MUSI 9999 Non-Topical Research (9 cr)\*  \*divide into three courses (one per faculty advisor) at 3 cr each |
| Seminar (3 cr) or MUSI 9930 Independent Study (3 cr) | Seminar (3 cr) or MUSI 9940 Independent Study (3 cr) |
| **Milestones:**  Completion of [Ph.D. Qualifying Exams](https://music.virginia.edu/sites/music.virginia.edu/files/Exam%20Completion%20Form.pdf)  Selection of [Ph.D. Dissertation Committee](https://music.virginia.edu/sites/music.virginia.edu/files/form_dept_phd_dissertation_committee_declaration.pdf) | |
| **Fourth Year** | |
| **Fall (Semester 7)** | **Spring (Semester 8)** |
| MUSI 9998 Non-Topical Research (12 cr)\*  \*divide into three courses (one per faculty advisor) at 4 cr each | MUSI 9999 Non-Topical Research (12 cr)\*  \*divide into three courses (one per faculty advisor) at 4 cr each |
| **Milestones:** *(all due in Fall of Fourth Year)*  Submission of prospectus to Graduate Committee  Oral presentation of prospectus  [Admission to Ph.D. candidacy](https://music.virginia.edu/sites/music.virginia.edu/files/Admission%20to%20Candidacy%20Form.pdf) | |
| [Appy for Fellowships](https://gradstudies.virginia.edu/funding-and-opportunities) (deadlines vary) | |

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| **Fifth & Sixth Years** | |
| **Fall** | **Spring** |
| MUSI 9998 Non-Topical Research (12 cr) \*  \*divide into three courses (one per faculty advisor) at 4 cr each | MUSI 9999 Non-Topical Research (12 cr) \*  \*divide into three courses (one per faculty advisor) at 4 cr each |
| [Appy for Fellowships](https://gradstudies.virginia.edu/funding-and-opportunities) (deadlines vary) | |
| **Dissertation Procedure** | |
| Visit the [GSAS Dissertation Submission and Graduation](https://graduate.as.virginia.edu/thesis-submission-and-graduation) website for more details and appropriate forms  Apply for Ph.D. Degree in SIS  Application deadlines:   * Fall – September 30 * Spring – January 31 * Summer – June 30   Submit Dissertation fordefenseto Ph.D. Committee at least 30 days before the defense.  Defend Dissertation  Submit [Final Exam Form](https://graduate.as.virginia.edu/sites/graduate.as.virginia.edu/files/GSASFinalExaminationForm-2019-embargo_.pdf)  Form deadlines:   * Fall – November 30 * Spring – April 30 * Summer – July 31   Complete [Survey of Earned Doctorates](https://sed-ncses.org/login.aspx)  Upload final, approved Dissertation to [LIBRA](https://www.library.virginia.edu/libra/)    Upload deadlines:   * Fall – November 30 * Spring – April 30 * Summer – July 31 | |