SUMMARY OF PROCEDURES FOR GRADUATE PROGRAMS

| Procedure | Responsibility of | Final Date |
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| File appropriate application for admission to graduate studies; International students who require an F- 1 Visa must also apply for an I-20 Form through the Office of International Programs | Student | For U.S. citizens with degrees from U.S. institutions, six weeks prior to deadline; Well in advance of deadline for international students |
| File Application for Language Examination | Student | After completion of 12 credits; consult department* |
| Record change of name or personal data | Student | When appropriate, file in Office of the Registrar, Students may update address and other information online using Student Self-Service |
| Record change of major/concentration using Program change option within Banner Student Self-Service | Student, adviser, receiving department | When appropriate |
| To obtain advanced standing, forward to appropriate graduate office transcript showing courses requested for transfer | Student | When appropriate |
| Complete Transfer of Credit form | Student, adviser | When appropriate |
| File Application for Comprehensive Examination | Student, adviser | October 1 for Fall, February 1 for Spring, June 1 for Summer |
| Schedule oral examination (for Asian language students only) | Student | See departmental adviser |
| Successful defense of doctoral dissertation | Student, mentor | November 1 for Fall, March 15 for Spring, June 15 for Summer |
| Submission of final copy of doctoral Dissertation to the Student University eRepository and to ProQuest | Student | Two weeks prior to degree date |

| | File a minimum of three/four copies of a thesis with a mentor (where applicable). File approved copies with the department office for binding and pick up student's copy | Student | One week prior to degree date. See schedule involved. |
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| | File online Application for Graduate Degree with the Office of the Registrar | Student | Summer. March 1 – May 25 Fall: March 15 – August 31 Spring: November 1 – January 25 |

* Candidates for the M.A. in English are encouraged to take the language exam as soon as possible after matriculation.

Please note: All forms may be obtained from the appropriate college/school. See individual degree programs for procedure for doctoral degrees.