1) Complete all required core courses and Language Examination
   - Refer the Interdisciplinary Humanities degree requirements
   Website: https://ih.ucmerced.edu/forms-documents

2) Select a Dissertation and Qualifying Examination Committee
   - Committee must have 4 members. Three (3) must be from IHGG faculty.
   - Refer the Interdisciplinary Humanities degree requirements
   Website: https://ih.ucmerced.edu/forms-documents

3) Submit the IHGG Constitution of Committee form
   - Refer the Interdisciplinary Humanities forms and documents
   Website: https://ih.ucmerced.edu/forms-documents

4) Write a journal length Research Paper
   Refer the Interdisciplinary Humanities degree requirements 2014
   Website: https://ih.ucmerced.edu/forms-documents

5) Submit Qualifying Examination Application to Graduate Division-Graduate Services
   - Submit the completed application a minimum of 30 days prior to the agreed upon Qualifying Examination date with your committee.
   Website: https://graduatedivision.ucmerced.edu/faculty-staff-resources/forms-publications
   Email: gradservices@ucmerced.edu

6) Submit Qualifying Examination Report to Graduate Division-Graduate Services
   - Submit the completed form within 30 days after the exam date
   Website: https://graduatedivision.ucmerced.edu/faculty-staff-resources/forms-publications
   Email: gradservices@ucmerced.edu
7) Defend Dissertation Prospectus
   - Consult with your chair and committee to determine a date

8) Submit IHGG Dissertation Prospectus Reporting form
   - Submit the completed form to the IH Graduate Specialist after the defense
   Website: https://ih.ucmerced.edu/forms-documents

9) Advancement to Candidacy link is provided to the graduate student by the IH Graduate Specialist once all the requirements are met.

10) Submit Advancement to Candidacy Form
    - Pay the Advancement to Candidacy fee

11) Initial Graduate Division-Graduate Services review

12) Committee Member approvals

13) Graduate Advisor Approval

14) Graduate Group Chair Approval

15) Graduate Division Dean Approval

16) Division-Graduate Services will finalize and send an email to the student.

*If Masters Along the Way is selected, additional processing time is required.
17) Defend Dissertation Prospectus SIX months after Advancing to Candidacy
Consult with your chair and committee to determine a date

18) Submit IHGG Dissertation Prospectus Reporting form
Submit the completed form to the IH Graduate Specialist after the defense
Website: https://ih.ucmerced.edu/forms-documents

*Masters Along the Way is NOT an option.*