

# Advancement to Candidacy for the Ph.D.

## Interdisciplinary Humanities Graduate Group (2014-2017)

**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

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**3) Submit the IHGG Constitution of Committee form**

- Refer the Interdisciplinary Humanities forms and documents

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**4) Write a journal length Research Paper**

Refer the Interdisciplinary Humanities degree requirements 2014

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**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](mailto:gradservices@ucmerced.edu)



**6) Submit Qualifying Examination Report to Graduate Division-Graduate Services**

- Submit the completed form within 30 days after the exam date

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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.**



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  
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**\*Masters Along the Way is NOT an option.**