

Information for EPSS Graduate Examinations

EPSS Departmental Exam:

Upon consultation with your advisor, and following selection of two additional EPSS professors to complete your committee, you are eligible to schedule your required Departmental Exam in the coming academic year. Once you have scheduled the exam, please send an email to your exam committee and cc the Department SAO at least one week prior to the exam in order for your file to be provided to your advisor.

University Oral Qualifying Examination (Advancement to Candidacy for Ph.D. Program):

When you are eligible to take the University Oral Qualifying exam, you will need to nominate your doctoral committee. The form, including committee eligibility and nomination form instructions, is located at:

<http://www.gdnet.ucla.edu/gasaa/library/docnomin.pdf>

Please complete the nomination form, typing in all information. Please spell out the complete name of each faculty member's home department. Save a copy of the pdf prior to printing out a paper copy to bring to the EPSS Advising Office for review. You will then need to get the Chair's signature, and return the form to the Advising office for processing. A copy of the signed form will remain in your file. The original will get delivered to the Graduate Division for approval. Once your doctoral committee is approved, the Graduate Division will send you an email confirming your doctoral committee. You will then be eligible to schedule and hold your University Oral Qualifying Exam. NOTE: Please submit your signed committee nomination form at least three weeks before your exam is scheduled. Please allow 15 business days (three weeks) for the Graduate Division to review and approve your committee.

Information for Master of Science degree:

You qualify for the Master of Science degree only after 1- you have completed your course requirements; 2- you have successfully passed the Departmental exam. As indicated in the EPSS Graduate Student Pay Scale document located at

https://epss.ucla.edu/static/main/documents/PDFs/EPSSgrad_payscale_04_07_2014asof022118.pdf

The awarding of the M.S. degree is in the academic quarter following completion of these requirements. (E.g., if you completed requirements in Spring, your degree will be awarded in the following Fall quarter.)

For detailed course and exam requirements, please refer to the official UCLA Graduate Division Program Requirements for your year of admission to the Graduate Program.