

NUTRITION AND FOOD SCIENCE, DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PH.D.)

Requirements for the Ph.D. degree in Nutrition and Food Science include a mastery of the broad fundamentals of area of specialty, as well as the demonstrated ability to conduct independent research. Course requirements include: a minimum of 27 graduate credits of coursework including 9 credits of advanced nutrition/food science courses, beyond the M.S. degree and 12 credits of NFSC899. A minimum GPA of 3.0 is required to maintain good academic progress for graduation. The average duration of a Ph.D. degree program is 4-5 years, depending upon prior education and experience.

Advance to Candidacy: In addition to course requirements, students are admitted to full candidacy for the Ph.D. upon passing a comprehensive exam on core knowledge of nutrition/food science and submitting and presenting a research proposal.

Post-Candidacy: The student must complete at least 12 credits of NFSC899 Doctoral Dissertation Research as well as successfully defend an original dissertation before their graduate faculty advisory committee.

Course	Title	Credits
NFSC688	Seminar in Nutrition and Food Science	3
Statistics course at the 600-level or higher		3
Remainder of coursework		9
Dissertation Research Requirements		
NFSC899	Doctoral Dissertation Research	12
Total Credits		27