UAB Graduate School Plan 1 Student: Thesis or Dissertation

1. **Student begins program**
2. **Core coursework, exams, identifies research topic**
   - Establish committee
     - Grad School confirms all members have Graduate Faculty Status
3. **Student applies for IRB/IACUC approval, if applicable**
4. **Student Completes RCR training and/or GRD 717**
5. **Student applies for candidacy following proposal / exam, as applicable**
   - Grad School Confirms GRD training and IRB approval
6. **Student enrolls in 699 Thesis / 799 Dissertation hours for at least 2 semesters**
7. **Student requests approval from Graduate School**
   - Graduation request deadline is at start of each semester
8. **Student completes public defense**
   - Final public defense date is at least 3 weeks prior to end of each semester
9. **Thesis/Dissertation is submitted to ProQuest for review**
   - No later than 10 business days after public defense
10. **Edits and re-review**
11. **Student completes Graduate Exit Survey**
12. **Student Graduates**

[Candidacy deadlines link](https://www.uab.edu/graduate/students/current-students/theses-dissertations/your-thesis-and-dissertation)  [Degree deadlines link](https://www.uab.edu/graduate/students/current-students/theses-dissertations/your-thesis-and-dissertation)