

# UAB DOCTORAL DEGREES CONFERRED BY CATEGORY

JULY 1, 2010–JUNE 30, 2016<sup>1</sup>

Starting with 2009-10 completions, the U.S. Department of Education divided the classification of doctoral degrees into the following categories.

YEAR	DOCTOR'S PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE <sup>2</sup>	DOCTOR'S RESEARCH/SCHOLARSHIP <sup>3</sup>	DOCTOR'S OTHER <sup>4</sup>	TOTAL
2010-2011	375	153	0	528
2011-2012	391	174	0	565
2012-2013	387	147	8	542
2013-2014	367	166	5	538
2014-2015	392	170	6	568
2015-2016	360	149	10	519
2016-2017	385	125	6	516

<sup>1</sup> The federal reporting period for completions is July 1 through June 30.

<sup>2</sup> Doctor's degree - professional practice - A doctor's degree that is conferred upon completion of a program providing the knowledge and skills for the recognition, credential, or license required for professional practice. The degree is awarded after a period of study such that the total time to the degree, including both pre-professional and professional preparation, equals at least six full-time equivalent academic years. Some of these degrees were formerly classified as "first-professional." At UAB, this category includes the following degrees: D.M.D., D.N.P., D.P.T., Dr.P.H., D.Sc.P.T, Ed.D., M.D., O.D.

<sup>3</sup> Doctor's degree - research/scholarship - A Ph.D. or other doctor's degree that requires advanced work beyond the master's level, including the preparation and defense of a dissertation based on original research, or the planning and execution of an original project demonstrating substantial artistic or scholarly achievement. At UAB, this category includes the Ph.D.

<sup>4</sup> Doctor's degree - other - A doctor's degree that does not meet the definition of a doctor's degree - research/scholarship or a doctor's degree - professional practice. At UAB, this category includes the D.Sc.

SOURCE: UAB Institutional Effectiveness and Analysis, IPEDS Completions Reports