Informatics, Ph.D.

Academic Plans

Sample Plan of Study

Sample plans represent one way to complete a program of study. Actual course selection and sequence will vary and should be discussed with an academic advisor. For additional sample plans, see MyUI.

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<td>72 s.h. must be graduate level coursework; maximum of 33 s.h. of graduate transfer credits allowed upon approval. More information is included in the General Catalog and on department website.</td>
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a Students must complete specific requirements in the University of Iowa Graduate College after program admission. Refer to the Graduate College website and the Manual of Rules and Regulations for more information.
b See the General Catalog and department website for specifics about elective coursework requirements; may be a combination of research for dissertation hours, directed readings, independent study, and graduate coursework.
c Typically this course is offered in spring semesters only. Check MyUI for course availability since offerings are subject to change.
d Typically completed during second year fall semester. See the General Catalog and department website for specifics.
e Taken before the end of third year. See the General Catalog and department website for specifics.
f Typically completed six months prior to final oral exam (dissertation defense).
g Dissertation defense.