

**Presentations & Publishing:  
Suggested schedule for Ph.D. students**

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>FALL SEMESTER</b>	<b>SPRING SEMESTER</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Year</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Apply for pre-doctoral fellowships.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Submit abstract to Graduate Research Conference (GRC).</li> <li>▪ Attend Society for Social Work Research (SSWR) conference and Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) conference to view papers, posters.</li> <li>▪ Present to paper/poster at GRC if accepted.</li> </ul>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Year</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Apply for pre-doctoral fellowships.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Attend SSWR, CSWE to view papers, posters.</li> <li>▪ Submit abstract on Practicum project to GRC, SSWR, CSWE, and/or other conferences.</li> <li>▪ Present paper/poster at GRC if accepted.</li> </ul>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Year</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Prepare dissertation proposal.</li> <li>▪ Prepare dissertation fellowship proposal.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Submit abstract to GRC based on literature review on dissertation proposal.</li> <li>▪ Submit abstract to SSWR, CSWE, &amp;/or other conference (based on specialization courses, practicum, independent studies, dissertation project).</li> <li>▪ Present paper/ poster at GRC, SSWR, CSWE or other conferences if accepted.</li> <li>▪ Attend SSWR/ CSWE – participate in job placement activities at schools that are NOT your first choice (practice!).</li> </ul>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Year</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Complete dissertation research.</li> <li>▪ Submit application for post-doctoral training.</li> <li>▪ Prepare vita, cover letter, and references.</li> <li>▪ Begin to respond to job announcements.</li> <li>▪ Submit paper(s) based on independent studies, specialization courses, and dissertation to journals.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Defend dissertation</li> <li>▪ Attend job placement sessions at SSWR and CSWE.</li> <li>▪ Prepare for school visits</li> <li>▪ Submit abstracts to GRC, SSWR, CSWE and other conferences.</li> <li>▪ Submit paper(s) on dissertation to journals</li> <li>▪ Present dissertation at GRC, SSWR, CSWE if accepted.</li> </ul>