DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PH.D.) DEGREE PLAN
[students first enrolled Fall 2009 and after]

TOTAL MINIMUM: 60 hours (including dissertation)

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS  (Minimum: 21 hours)

Foundation Requirements (9 hours required)
EDC 380F  Sociocultural Foundations
EDC 381F  Introduction to Teaching and Teacher Education
EDC 383F  Curriculum Theory

Research Methodology Requirements (12 hours minimum)
To be taken in sequence:

Step 1 (3 hours)
EDC 381R  Introduction to Systems of Human Inquiry

Prerequisite to Step 2 (EDC 385R):
EDC 382R  Fundamentals of Statistics
• Other course choices for this requirement include: EDP 371, EDP 380E or an advisor approved statistics course brought in from other institution

Step 2 (6 hours in any order)
EDC 385R  Introduction to Quantitative Research
EDC 386R  Introduction to Qualitative Research

Step 3 (3 hours, one course topic from either category)
EDC 387R  Advanced Quantitative Research
or
EDC 388R  Advanced Qualitative Research

DIRECTED RESEARCH (Minimum: 12 hours)

EDC 396T Directed Research in Curriculum & Instruction (6 hours minimum)
Two additional courses that include a substantial research component approved by academic adviser

Please Note: EDC 396T can be taken more than once for credit
SPECIALIZATION REQUIREMENTS (Minimum: 15 hours)

Students with an emphasis on Social Studies Education will take additional related courses (15 hours), selected with the assistance and approval of the area program adviser. To help meet their personal career goals, students are encouraged to select courses from other clusters in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction. Among the courses that might be selected to fulfill this requirement are the following:

EDC 382S Teaching Secondary School Subjects: Social Studies
EDC 382E Teaching Elementary School Subject- Social Studies
EDC 385G History of the Social Studies
EDC 385G Current Issues Teaching the Social Studies
EDC 390T Institutes in Instruction: Critical Issues in Social Education
EDC 390T Improving Social Studies Education
EDC 390T Humanities and literacies in Social Studies Education
EDC 390T Archeology Education for Social Studies

COURSES OUTSIDE THE DEPARTMENT (Minimum: 6 hours)

Coursework from sections General Requirements, Directed Research, and Special Requirements may fulfill this requirement (thus hours in this section may already be counted as credit towards total hours).

DISSERTATION (Minimum: 6 hours & two consecutive semesters of dissertation)

Students are required to continuously register for dissertation once they have advanced to candidacy. Curriculum and Instruction students are required to register for 6 hours of dissertation credit* during each fall and spring semester during which they are working on their dissertation research.

*EDC 699R and 699W:
The first semester in candidacy is 699R; for all semesters after the first one in candidacy you must register for 699W.

Please Note:

International students and students receiving fellowship, assistantship, or other financial aid, may be required to take 9 hours of dissertation credit each semester.