DEPARTMENT OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES AND MICROBIOLOGY **MS 2022 DEGREE CHECKLIST**

Student Name & PS #: ______ Advisor: ______

REQUIRED CREDITS

36 credits (Total credits from required courses and electives: 29 plus 1-15 variable credits for IDM 2021) Note: Students cannot register for more than 15 credits in a semester

<u>REQUIRED COURSES</u> (consult <u>student handbook</u> for the suggested sequence of courses)

If a "C" is earned, the School of Public Health EPCC strongly recommends the student re-take the course. The student must retake the course if a "D" or "F" is earned. A 3.0 cumulative GPA must be maintained.

Course Number	Course Name	Credits	Grade
BIOST 2041	Introduction to Statistical Methods I	3	
EPIDEM 2110	Principles of Epidemiology	3	
IDM 2161	Methods of Infectious Disease Epidemiology	1	
IDM 2001	Molecular Biology of Microbial Pathogens	3	
IDM 2002	Molecular Virology	3	
IDM 2003	Host Response to Microbial Infection	2	
IDM 2004	Viral Pathogenesis	2	
IDM 2014	Functional Genomics of Microbial Pathogens	3	
	Special Studies in Microbiology (all semesters enrolled)		
 IDM 2021			
IDM 2023	Microbiology Laboratory	2	
IDM 2025	Microbiology Seminar (4 semesters required for FT; 3 semesters required for PT)	1	
		1	
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		1	
IDM 2041	Scientific Communication & Research Ethics	1	
PUBHLT 2011	Essentials of Public Health	3	
PUBHLT 2022	Public Health Grand Rounds (2 semesters required)	0	

ELECTIVES (2 credits required)

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REQUIRED EVENTS

Poster presentation at Fall IDM Research Day

All except 1st year students

□ Year 2

Vear 3 - if applicable

<u>COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATION</u> (consult <u>student handbook</u> for exam requirements) Exam usually taken in May after first academic year and within 4 weeks of paper distribution

Ensure 3.0 GPA or above

MS Program Director will select a published paper and establish a committee chair and committee members for exam. Student will be notified of the approved committee.

- Prepare for exam (4 weeks to prepare)
- Pass exam Note: Cannot pass comprehensive exam in the same semester as thesis defense

SECOND YEAR SEMINAR PRESENTATION

- Present when assigned at IDM seminar
- □ Will receive evaluations approximately one week after the presentation

MS THESIS (consult student handbook to view thesis requirements)

Committee

- Establish thesis committee members with advisor
 - Adhere to School of Public Health committee composition rules
- Send thesis committee to IDM Student Services Specialist for official approval 2 weeks before first committee meeting and notify IDM Student Services Specialist of the date/time of meeting to schedule a room and complete paperwork
- □ Submit project proposal to all committee members 2 weeks before 1st scheduled committee meeting

Thesis Writing

- Update advisor on thesis writing periodically throughout the writing process
- Hold 2nd committee meeting (if needed) and send progress report to committee members 2 weeks before meeting

THESIS DEFENSE (consult <u>student handbook</u> to view thesis defense requirements)

- □ Organize a date/time all committee members can meet
- □ See IDM Student Services Specialist to schedule a room for the agreed date/time
- □ Submit thesis to committee at least two weeks prior to defense date and defend thesis

THESIS SUBMISSION (consult <u>student handbook</u> to view thesis defense requirements)

- Submit electronic and bound paper version to IDM Student Services Specialist no later than 1 week after the end of the semester
- □ Submit thesis electronically through <u>D-Scholarship</u>
- Submit all other paperwork and satisfy requirements by deadlines
- Submit bound paper copy to faculty advisor no later than 1 week after the end of the semester

<u>GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS</u> (follow requirements on the <u>Graduation webpage</u>)

- □ Upload and submit draft of dissertation by date detailed on above webpage
- □ Turn in required paperwork to Joanne Pegher date detailed on above webpage
- □ Complete Pitt Public Health <u>exit survey</u>
- □ Complete IDM exit survey link provided at the time of graduation
- □ Schedule an exit interview with the Graduate Programs Director through the IDM Student Services Specialist