

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY
DODGE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

Academic Year
For Students Entering the Oklahoma State System for Higher Education Summer 2023 through Spring 2024

General Requirements
Minimum Total Hours 90

Program
Ecology and Evolutionary Biology - Biology D289 Doctor of Philosophy

Minimum Total Hours: 90

Program Code: D289

More information in the catalog: (<http://ou-public.courseleaf.com/dodge-arts-sciences/biological-sciences/ecology-evolutionary-biology-biology-doctor-philosophy/>).

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Required Courses		
BIOL 5453	Advanced Ecology/Evol Biology	3
BIOL 5471	Seminar in Ecology & Evolutionary Biology (2 hours, including two presentations)	2
Choose one of the following:		3
BIOL 4913	Quantitative Biology (taken for graduate credit)	
Equivalent graduate-level statistics course as approved by doctoral advisory committee		
Dissertation Research		
BIOL 6980	Research for Doctoral Dissertation (30 hours minimum)	30
Additional Hours		
Additional coursework needed to reach 90 post-baccalaureate hours, as approved by the doctoral advisory committee		52
Total Credit Hours		90

General Requirements for Doctoral Degrees

A student should expect to spend at least the equivalent of three full academic years beyond the bachelor's degree to obtain the doctoral degree. During this period the student will take appropriate graduate coursework, successfully complete the general examination, and successfully defend and submit the final dissertation.

All coursework applied to the doctoral degree must carry graduate credit.

The doctoral degree requires at least 90 post-baccalaureate hours, including both formal coursework and hours of research.

The minimum hour requirement for a specific doctoral degree program cannot be waived.

No more than one-half of the credit hours, both OU and overall, excluding Research for Doctoral Dissertation (6980), may be S/U-graded coursework.

The student must be in residence at OU for at least two consecutive 16-week semesters during the pursuit of the doctoral degree while enrolled and engaged in coursework or research activities as prescribed by the major academic unit.

For more detailed regulations and requirements for Doctoral degrees, please consult the Graduate College Bulletin: <http://www.ou.edu/gradcollege/forms/bulletin>