## **Doctoral Student Advising Checklist**

Confirm you understand the following doctoral program information and procedures by initialing each line and	
signing the form. Please return this form to your assigned faculty advisor via email.	_
During my first semester, I will	
Meet with faculty advisor to discuss academic, professional, and programmatic goals, as well as any other	
questions (such as courses for transfer, etc.)	
Provide CV, statement of goals, and a Plan of Study (POS) draft to discuss with faculty advisor (as well as	
transcripts, if inquiries regarding credit transfer)	
Go over anticipated timeline for coursework and major milestones (Comprehensive Exams, Admission to	
Candidacy/Proposal Defense, Dissertation Defense)	
Submit an approved electronic Plan of Study in MyFAU using course sequence as guide (anytime at the end of	
first semester, through first year of program):	
https://www.fau.edu/graduate/forms-and-procedures/degree-completion/plan-of-study.php	
Familiarize myself with catalog ( <a href="http://www.fau.edu/registrar/registration/catalog.php">http://www.fau.edu/registrar/registration/catalog.php</a> ) and University	
procedures and policies.	
Access the Doctoral Program Handbook online at	
https://www.fau.edu/education/academicdepartments/ce/documents/2020phdhandbookfinal.pdf	_
During my second year in the program (or third semester at earliest), I will	
Consider faculty for my dissertation committee and chair (meet with faculty to discuss interest and availability)	
Route a "Dissertation Committee Membership Selection Form" for signature	
After completion of 27 credits, schedule Dissertation Proposal Defense (Qualifying Exam) for "Admission	
to Candidacy"	
After (or during) completion of 33-36 credits, route "Application for Doctoral Comprehensive Exams (Chair	
Form)" and "Application for Doctoral Comprehensive Exams (Student Form)" for signature. Observe comp	
application deadlines (December 1st for Spring Comps or May 1st for Fall Comps).	
Consult with dissertation chair about obtaining IRB approval and completing the required trainings for human	
subjects research	
During my third year in the program, I will	
Ensure approved and accurate electronic POS is on file and apply for graduation	
Schedule Dissertation Defense	
Route "Announcement of Dissertation Defense" Form (must be submitted to Dean's Office via the department	
at least 2 weeks prior to dissertation defense)	
Observe Graduate College dissertation and thesis deadlines: <a href="https://www.fau.edu/graduate/forms-and-">https://www.fau.edu/graduate/forms-and-</a>	
procedures/degree-completion/thesis-and-dissertation/index.php	
Submit Application for Degree: <a href="https://www.fau.edu/graduate/forms-and-procedures/student-deadlines.php">https://www.fau.edu/graduate/forms-and-procedures/student-deadlines.php</a>	
Observe College of Education dissertation deadlines and guidelines (provided by the department in semester	
prior)	
Submit "Dissertation Approval Form" (after dissertation defense)	
Student Signature: Date:	
Advisor Signature: Date:	
Doctoral Coordinator Signature: Date:	