Cell Biology Requirements Checklist for:
1 st year
5 courses (graduate level, full-term)
HP average
2 Honors (Graduate School requirement)
These requirements may be met with additional coursework in 2 nd year but not beyond that time.
2 nd year
Qualifying exam (Preferably in Fall semester; in Spring semester with DGS approval)
Teaching (2 semesters required) ^a
First thesis committee meeting
(Must occur by end of summer if qualifying exam completed in Fall; in Fall semester of 3 rd
year if qualifying exam completed in Spring)
Admission to candidacy ^b
(Occurs after fulfillment of all requirements above with a positive evaluation from first
thesis committee meeting)
^a While teaching may occur in any year, the requirement should be met as early as possible, so
teaching in 2 nd year is encouraged (e.g., during Spring if qualifying exam in Fall).
^b If not reached in 2 nd year must occur by end of 3 rd year as required by Graduate School
3 rd year
Teaching
Thesis committee meeting ^c
^c If <u>first</u> thesis committee meeting after qualifying exam is held in Fall of 3 rd year, because
qualifying exam was completed in Spring of 2 nd year (see above), then another thesis committee
meeting must be held by end of summer of 3 rd year.
4 th year 5 th year
Thesis committee meeting 1 d Thesis committee meeting 1
Thesis committee meeting 2 Thesis committee meeting 2
^d 2 thesis committee meetings per year are required in years ≥ 4

In addition to these requirements, students are required to give a Progress Report talk every year beginning 3rd year until graduation.