

Pathway to Doctoral Dissertation

Ed.D. Student Checklist

Pre-Dissertation Defense:

- Recruit a dissertation chair and submit a [Dissertation Chair Form](#).
 - Work with dissertation chair to narrow research topic and identify a dissertation committee.
 - Form a dissertation committee.
 - Submit [Dissertation Committee Form](#)
 - If there is a change in dissertation committee, a [Change of Dissertation Committee Form](#) must be submitted.
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Dissertation Proposal Defense:

- Obtain permission to defend proposal from chair, and schedule proposal defense
 - Defend dissertation proposal* and submit [Dissertation Proposal Defense Form](#)
 - Obtain [Institutional Review Board \(IRB\)](#) approval, if conducting research on human subjects
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Dissertation Defense:

- Obtain permission to defend proposal from dissertation chair
 - Schedule their dissertation defense
 - Complete and submit a [Dissertation Defense Notification Form](#)
 - Bring a [Dissertation Defense Form](#) the day of your defense*
 - Submit completed [Dissertation Defense Form](#) to oss@redlands.edu
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Post Successful Defense:

- Submit changes/edits to dissertation committee
- Send completed dissertation to approved copyeditor
- Share edited dissertation with dissertation chair
- Once edited dissertation has been reviewed by committee and approved by dissertation chair, the document is ready for all the committee members to sign the [Dissertation Signature Page](#) (for the copy of your dissertation as per Appendix A)
- Publish dissertation to [Inspire](#)
- Submit a [Degree Clearance Form](#)