**Sample Timelines for Completion of the Qualifying Exams**

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|  | **Spring 2nd Year** | **Summer 2nd/3rd Year** | **Fall 3rd Year** | **Spring 3rd Year** |
| **Ex. 1** | (Feb/Mar) Propose a general plan for Qualifying Exams that includes the format and timeline, as well as a specific plan for Exam 1 (breadth or depth component). | (Jul/Aug) Submit the written component of Exam 1 and hold Exam 1 oral defense. At the defense, also propose a specific plan for Exam 2. Please schedule extra time beyond the hour we typically allot for a defense, to allow for adequate discussion of the plan for Exam 2. | (Dec/Jan) Submit the written component of Exam 2; Exam 2 oral defense. |  |
| **Ex. 2** |  | (Jun/Jul) Propose specific plans for Exam 1 and Exam 2. | (Dec/Jan) Submit the written component of Exam 1; Exam 1 oral defense. | (Apr/May) Submit the written component of Exam 2; Exam 2 oral defense; note deadlines in the Graduate Calendar. |
| **Ex. 3** |  |  | (Oct/Nov) Propose specific plans for Exam 1 and Exam 2. | (Apr/May) Submit the written components of Exam 1 and 2; Oral defense (2 hours); note deadlines in the Graduate Calendar. |