Ph.D. Hermeneutics/Biblical Interpretation Program Guide to Deadlines

- **Initial Registration for courses**
  - Greek and Hebrew placement exams
  - Competence in Biblical Aramaic, either by taking an examination or by passing OT 761

- **During 1st year of courses** – Register for and pass PT 421P

- **Within 1 year from registration** – Preliminary exams

- **No later than September of 2nd Academic year** – 1st Modern Language Exam
  - If not sustained, student notifies Field Committee by November 15 of plans to learn language
  - Take the exam by May of the 2nd Academic year
  - If not sustained – student put on probation and given 1 final attempt September of 3rd Academic year
  - If not sustained – removed from program

- **No later than September of the 3rd Academic year** – 2nd Modern Language Exam

- **1 month prior to taking Comprehensive exams** – Provide written notification to the Coordinator of Field Committee of intent to take exams

- **Within 5 years after registration** – Comprehensive exams – written and oral - for Hermeneutics/Biblical students

- **1 year after sustaining Comprehensive Exams** – Dissertation proposal approval for Hermeneutics/Biblical students (admitted to Full Candidacy)

- **January 15 after three years after dissertation proposal approval** – Submit three copies of your completed dissertation along with appropriate fees to the Academic Affairs Office
  - Copies should be on regular copier paper, hole-punched and submitted in three ring binders

- **Upon Approval of Dissertation** – Faculty set date for defense/final exam

- **May 1st of graduating year** – Submit your approved dissertation in its final form to the Academic Affairs office.
  - One copy must be on 20 lb, 100 percent cotton paper (no exceptions)
  - One copy may be on regular copier paper
o Submit both copies flat in a box, do not hole-punch