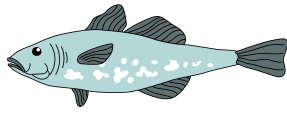


## CFOS MASTER'S

# "COMPREHENSIVE EXAM"

## FISHERIES

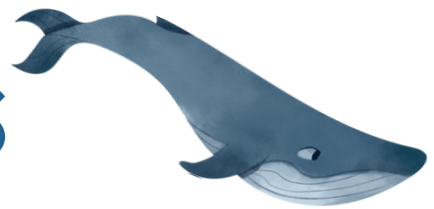


- Complete core courses and thesis proposal
- Discuss readiness for proposal presentation/oral exam with advisor
- Complete committee proposal presentation
- Complete closed-door Q/A with committee
- File Report of Exam and Advancement (if passed "exam")

## MARINE BIOLOGY

- Complete core courses and thesis proposal
- Discuss readiness for proposal presentation/oral comp exam with advisor
- Arrange the department "outside" marine biology examiner (contact the department chair for dept. OE)
- Complete public proposal presentation
- Complete closed-door Q/A with the committee
- File Report of Exam and Advancement to Candidacy forms (if passed "exam")

## MARINE STUDIES

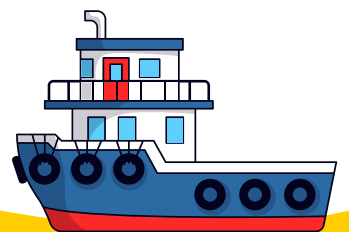


- Students will defend their project proposal during the comprehensive exam
- The committee will review and provide feedback on the project proposal
- Students are expected to answer questions related to their core coursework (excluding MBI 601 and 606) and their project
- The comprehensive exam should be scheduled for 90–120 minutes

## MARINE POLICY

- Complete the capstone course (FISH F691 - Marine Policy Capstone)

## OCEANOGRAPHY



- Complete core courses, including the Integrative Oceanography Seminar and thesis proposal
- Discuss readiness for proposal presentation with the advisor
- Complete public proposal presentation
- Complete closed-door Q/A with the committee
- File Report of Exam and Advancement to Candidacy form (if passed "exam")

## CFOS PHD

# COMPREHENSIVE EXAMS

## FISHERIES

- Schedule a comprehensive exam after the dissertation proposal is approved and the majority of courses are completed
- Meet with the committee ~6 months before the exam to discuss expectations
- Written exams consist of one set of questions from each committee member, scheduled over 1-2 weeks
- An oral exam is required with a committee and an outside examiner (~3-4 hours)
- After passing, submit the Report of Exam and Advancement to Candidacy



## OCEANOGRAPHY & MARINE BIOLOGY

- Schedule when the dissertation proposal and core courses (or equivalent) are complete
- Meet the advisor and committee ~6 months prior
- Written exams - required: One set of questions per committee member, spread over 1-2 weeks
- Oral exam - required after written exam is graded: Once the advisor approves, schedule a room for a 3-4 hour exam with the committee and the outside examiner
- After passing, submit the Report of Exam and Advancement to Candidacy

## OUTSIDE EXAMINERS

- ALL PhD Oral Examinations MUST have an outside examiner (OE)
- Student must file a request for an outside examiner at least TWO weeks prior to the exam
- OE Request Form found on the UAF Graduate School forms page: <https://www.uaf.edu/gradschool/current-students/forms.php>