The University of British Columbia

GENOME SCIENCE + TECHNOLOGY GRADUATE PROGRAM

TRANSFER FROM MASTER'S TO DOCTORAL PROGRAMS
WITHOUT COMPLETING MASTER’S REQUIREMENTS

The following transfer requirements must be met in order for a student to transfer from a master’s degree to a doctoral degree without completing their master’s requirements:

• Student must complete three terms of study in the master’s program (and no more than two years)
• Student must complete 12 credits with a minimum 80% average
• Nine of the 12 credits must be 500-level courses
• Nine of the 12 credits must receive grades of 80% or better
• Student shows clear evidence of research ability
• Relevant committee meeting minutes are attached to transfer form

IMPORTANT:

If a student transfers from an MSc program to a PhD program and later fails the PhD qualifying examination, he/she will not be admitted to the PhD program and will not be allowed to continue the completion of the MSc degree.

Additional Information:

Transfers may not be retroactive. The transfer must be clearly justified by the student's supervisor and Graduate Program Advisor in a memorandum to Graduate Studies recommending the transfer.

If a student transfers from a master's program to a doctoral program without completing the master’s degree, the commencement of the doctoral program will be from the date of first registration in the master’s program.

If a student transfers from one area of specialization to another in a master’s program or in a doctoral program the normal time limit for completing the degree is not affected.

Transfers will not be processed for students who have outstanding fees.

Please see http://www.grad.ubc.ca/faculty-staff/policies-procedures/transfer-masters-doctoral-programs for information on transfers from a master’s degree to a doctoral degree without completing master’s requirements.