Time-Line (Master’s Programs)
Each student and her/his advisor develop a detailed Master's Plan of Work and a suitable time-line toward graduation. Here is a generic guideline to follow.

1st semester:
- academic advisor selection (beginning of semester),
- Master’s seminar (2 cr.hs),
- 2 classes (6 cr.hs).

2nd semester:
- 3 classes (9 cr.hs),
- research advisor selection (by end of semester or earlier, if thesis option),
- Master’s Plan of Work.

Graduation requirements
- GPA 3.0 or above
- 32 cr.hs completed successfully
- no more than 6 cr.hs of 5XXXX level courses
- all others are of 6XXXX level or above
- at least 3 out of 7 core courses completed successfully
- Successful thesis or project defense

Non-thesis option
3rd semester:
- 3 classes (9 cr.hs).
4th semester:
- 2 classes (6 cr.hs),
- Project presentation

10x3 + 2 = 32 credit hours

Thesis option
3rd semester:
- 2 classes (6 cr.hs),
- research (3 cr.hs).
4th semester:
- Thesis I (6 cr.hs),
- Thesis defense

7x3 + 2 + 3 + 6 = 32 credit hours

underlined has to be done by that time