

# ASTRONOMY, PHD

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**Degree:** Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

**Major:** Astronomy

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## Program Overview

The PhD degree in astronomy is granted to those students who have shown extensive knowledge of advanced astronomy and the ability to do original research. The student is required to pass a general qualifying examination in astronomy, usually taken at the end of the second year. The student must then prepare a dissertation based on the results of independent research. A PhD candidate must also satisfy the general requirements of the School of Graduate Studies.

Full-time graduate students who maintain satisfactory academic performance while pursuing the PhD degree in astronomy normally receive a stipend for teaching and/or research, which includes full tuition and a monthly amount sufficient to cover living expenses.

## PhD Policies

For PhD policies and procedures, please review the School of Graduate Studies section of the General Bulletin.

## Program Requirements

Please contact the department for information regarding program requirements.