PhD Plan Of Study

Hospitality and Tourism Management

Requirement Category	Credit Requirement	Notes
Hospitality and Tourism Courses	15 hours	 a) 9 of the 15 credits must come from HTM courses at the 600 level. (HTM 602, 690, and 699 do not count towards this fulfillment.) b) The remainder of the 15 credits not spent can be fulfilled with HTM courses at the 500 level. One HTM 590; Problems in Hospitality and Tourism (for 1 or 3 credits) may be used to fulfill part of this requirement.
Outside Specialization	9 hours	Courses at 500-600 levels
Statistics/Methodology	9-12 hours	Dependent on M.S. coursework and previous thesis experience
Department Research Seminar	3 hours	Three sequential HTM 602 - Topics include: Research, Instruction, and Professionalism
Supporting Research Project	6 hours	HTM 690 -This required special project is developed to strengthen research techniques or topic knowledge important to the development of the dissertation. This work may lead to a published paper.
Dissertation	15-24 hours	HTM 699 - A typical 18-credit program would include 1-3 credits per semester for the 2nd year and 6-9 credits per semester for the 3rd year.

This summary does not include any prerequisite requirement made at the time of admission or preparatory work required before any particular class. To graduate with this degree, students must earn a grade of no less than a B- in all required courses. Students will mark all required HTM/CSR courses as "primary" on the plan of study (ePOS). In addition, a 3.0 GPA is required for all Purdue courses on the plan of study (ePOS).

Purdue University requires a minimum of 90 credit hours of work for the combined MS and PhD degrees. Credits earned during the master's program will be applied *after* the student has completed the above plan of study (all but dissertation) and *before* they take their preliminary examination. Up to 30 master's credits of non-thesis coursework can be counted. The Graduate School requires a grand total of 90 credits (HTM Program Course Credits + Dissertation + Master's Credits) in order to award a doctoral degree.