

Computer Science Doctoral Qualifier System

Qualification exam policy for doctoral students matriculated Jan. 2013 or later:

The qualification exam contains two parts: Theory and Systems.

- 1) Theory: take 91.502 or 91.503, and obtain a grade of B or better.
- 2) Systems: take 91.516 or 91.563 or 91.574, and obtain a grade of B or better.
- 3) The average GPA for the Theory course and the System course submitted as satisfying the qualification exam requirements must be at least 3.3.

Upon finishing the qualification exam, Ph.D. students should submit the CS PhD Qualification Exam Clearance Form (available at <http://www.cs.uml.edu/~gcoord/forms/>) to the Graduate Coordinator

Exception handling:

- A student who fails to satisfy the Theory requirements can either retake the course or take another Theory course; a student who fails to satisfy the System requirements can either retake the course or take another System course.
- Course(s) transferred from other institutions cannot be used to satisfy the qualification exam.
- Petitions can be submitted to the Graduate Committee for exceptional situations.

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