PHD.CSCI Regulation on Learning Modules

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Learning Module Requirements

Online learning modules are intended to supplement the student's knowledge of computing and provide an introduction to aspects of computing which the student will need in order to complete their degree. The current learning modules are:

- Introductory Programming
- Operating System Tools
- Data Management

The modules are intended to be a self-study experience. A description of learning objectives is associated with each module, as an interface between the student and examiners.

The Co-advisors are responsible for determining if the candidate is required to take any of online learning modules, in which case the module(s) must be assigned within the first two weeks of the student's first semester.

The student is encouraged to complete assigned modules before the end of the first semester. The student will be tested on the modules during their Qualifying Exam.

Additional Course Requirements

Besides the learning modules, if it is determined that the student does not have sufficient preparation for their degree, they will be required to take one or more undergraduate or graduate courses. As the QE is expected to occur in semester three, the Advisory Committee is encouraged to assign courses that are as early as possible. The Advisory Committee is discouraged from assigning undergraduate courses.