TYPICAL FLOW CHART FOR NGS PhD STUDENTS

	Candidature Requirements	Timeline	Remarks
Year 1	Enrolment of modules	Beginning of semester in Aug & Jan	Preferably no more 2 modules per semester before PQE
	Nomination of main supervisor	Within 6 months of admission, by Dec 2011	Refer to http://www.nus.edu.sg/ngs/students_supervisors.html
	Formation of Thesis Advisory Committee	By 3 months after confirmation of supervisor - By Feb 2012	Refer to http://www.nus.edu.sg/ngs/tac_ngss.html
	Lab Rotation (optional)	Within the first 6 months	Optional - for students who do not have a supervisor in mind
	First attempt of PhD Qualifying Exam	By 18th month of admission	
	Completion of Online Progress Report & TAC Report	After the end of 1st semester in Jan	TAC formed and meets at the end of the 1st year
	Embark on undergraduate teaching	At student's own pace	
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Year 2	Enrolment of modules	Beginning of semester in Aug & Jan	Preferably no more 2 modules per semester before PQE
	Read NGS Compulsory module - GS6886A	Taken either in Year 2 or 3 (alternate cohorts)	Refer to http://www.nus.edu.sg/ngs/course_reqd.html
	Second attempt (if required) of PhD Qualifying Exam	By 24th month of admission	
	Completion of Online Progress Report & submission of TAC Report	After the end of each semester (Sep and Jan)	
	Continue with undergraduate teaching	At student's own pace	
Year 3	Enrolment of modules	Beginning of semester in Aug & Jan	As needed or desired
	Read NGS Compulsory module - GS6886A	Taken either in Year 3 or 2 (alternate cohorts)	
	Completion of Online Progress Report & submission of TAC Report	After the end of 1st semester in Jan	
	Discuss research progress and or chosen thesis project with TAC		
Year 4	Outline thesis		
	TAC/Supervisor approve final plans for thesis		
	TAC/Supervisor review thesis	By end of Year 4 (if applicable)	
	Submission of thesis for examination		http://www.nus.edu.sg/ngs/phd_thesis_exam_ngss.html

NOTE: This flowchat is only a guide. The specific time for the completion of each activity may vary for each student