

Sample 8-Week Research Timeline

Week 0

- All required certifications, training, and documents must be completed and sent to program administrator in PDF form BEFORE your program dates begin.

Week 1

- Check in with Program Administrator for orientation
- Identify possible research questions
- Literature review (to be continued until manuscript completed)
- Begin learning relevant research techniques (e.g., laboratory techniques, interviewing subjects, analytic tools)

Week 2

- Meet with program director for check-in; finalize research question
- Determine research plan (may be ongoing)
- Continue learning research techniques and/or begin research (e.g., experiments, subject interviews, data manipulation)
- Welcome BBQ Event

Week 3

- Work on abstract introduction (to be continued until abstract is complete)
- Continue research

Week 4

- Work on methods section of abstract (to be continued until abstract is complete)
- Continue research

Week 5

- Work on results section of abstract (to be continued until abstract is complete)
- Continue research

Week 6

- Work on conclusions section of abstract (to be continued until abstract is complete)
- Continue research
- Career Panel
- Practice Oral Presentations

Week 7

- Oral Presentations (typically done over the course of the final weeks)
- Finalize research

Week 8

- Meet with program director/co-director for exit interview
- Complete and submit research abstract