

Annual Academic Assessment Report
Department of Geosciences (GEOS)
Ph.D. Geosciences (GEOSPH)
May 2025

Report annually to the Dean of the college/school the following:

☐ **Assessment Results**

- Review of initial application to the Ph.D. program by Geosciences Ph.D. Committee
 - Total applicants (with full applications) in this reporting period 14
 - 2 new students, Spring 2024
 - 5 new students, Fall 2024
 - 2 new student, Spring 2025
 - Current PhD students summarized in table below.
- Successful completion of the required Department of Geosciences Colloquium and Geoscience Research Methods courses
 - 20 students have completed both required courses up to Spring 2025
- Successful completion of 24 credit hours (minimum) of coursework applicable to the student's discipline of geosciences as prescribed by the doctoral advisory committee
 - 14 students have completed the minimum coursework up to Spring 2025
- Successful completion of both the written and oral comprehensive exams in the chosen discipline of geosciences. This must be accomplished within the first three calendar years in the doctoral program
 - 14 students have completed both exams up to Spring 2025
- Annual meetings with the student's doctoral advisory committee
 - Ongoing and reported to graduate school
- Monitoring the degree to which Ph.D. candidates present their research at national and international conferences, and scientific publication resulting from their graduate research
 - 8 conference presentations with GEOSPH student author in this reporting period
 - 5 refereed publications with GEOSPH student as primary author in this reporting period
 - 3 articles under review with GEOSPH student as primary author in this reporting period
 - One student Barira Rashid received 3rd position in AAGP IBA 2025 competition
- Evaluating the degree to which Ph.D. candidates actively pursue internal and external sources of funding for their research
 - none
- Successful defense of dissertation in front of the dissertation committee
 - 2 GEOSPH candidates graduated in this reporting period (Al Saim, Ahmed)
- Chair and Graduate Director will track the progress of Ph.D. graduates after they complete their doctoral degrees

- Al Saim graduated in Spring 2025 and is working at the Department of Transportation now.
- Others are ongoing

- ☐ **Any changes to degree/certificate planned or made on the basis of the assessment and analysis**
 - No changes anticipated based on current year assessment
- ☐ **Any changes to the assessment process made or planned.**
 - No changes anticipated based on current year assessment

Current status of GEOSPH students:

[illegible]

10 Year enrollment of GEOSPH:

Career		2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
GRD	GEOSPH	2	8	13	14	19	20	23	23	28	25	20