

RSI students are required to remain in good standing in their graduate program and to make satisfactory and timely progress toward the completion of their degree requirements.

Student's eligibility for funding and registration in the program will be affected if they do not remain in good standing or if they do not make satisfactory progress. It is important to meet with your supervisor(s) regularly as well as receive and incorporate feedback on your progress and quality of your work.

To maintain good standing, RSI students must:

1. Complete all required courses with a minimum grade performance of B

Students are required to achieve a minimum grade performance of B in all program required courses. All other elective courses must be completed with a minimum grade of B-. In the case of a course failure, or if a student achieves less than the minimum grade performance, the student is required to report their final grade to an RSI Graduate Coordinator as soon as possible to create a remediation plan.

[Degree & Course Requirements – MSc](#) | [Degree & Course Requirements – PhD](#)

2. Submit evidence of your satisfactory research progress via the completion of the Supervisory Committee meeting, every 6 months

To remain in good standing, a documented Supervisory Committee meeting must be held every 6 months, and the meeting form must be submitted to RSI. RSI will keep a record of your research progress for the duration of the program. An unsatisfactory performance may result in a student losing good standing status. Two consecutive unsatisfactory ratings may result in consideration for program termination. If a student fails to hold a committee meeting within a reasonable timeframe of the required 6 months without written permission from a Graduate Coordinator, this will be considered as an unsatisfactory performance rating. Review the [RSI Supervisory Committee Policy](#) for strategies to address remediation.

[Supervisory Committee – MSc](#) | [Supervisory Committee – PhD](#)

3. Participate and present at the RSI Research Day

All students are required to attend the annual RSI Research Day in order to remain in good standing. All students must attend annually; PhD students must present a poster or oral presentation in Year 2, 3 and 4. MSc students must present a poster or oral presentation in Year 2. If a student has a valid reason why they cannot attend or present at the RSI Research Day, they should inform the Associate Director and seek approval. Students who

are exempted from attending the research day in a given year are still required to submit a poster to the event.

[Research Day Homepage](#)

4. Pass the transfer or candidacy and/or final oral examinations

Depending on the program, RSI students will be required to pass a defense or a transfer exam, whereas PhD students will be required to pass a candidacy exam and the oral final examination. The policies for each type of examination are outlined elsewhere.

[Transfer Exam](#) | [Candidacy Exam](#)

Please contact rsi.gradcoord@utoronto.ca if you have any questions or concerns.

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