

18 Characteristics of Texas Public Doctoral Programs

	Program	School of Information					
	Degree awarded	PhD					
	Program Web site	http://www.ischool.utexas.edu/programs/phd.php					
	Measure	Operational Definition	Departmental Response			Comments (if needed)	
			2008-09	2009-10	2010-11		
1	Number of Degrees Per Year	For each of the three most recent years, number of degrees awarded per academic year.	6	2	1		
2	Graduation Rates	For each of the three most recent years, the percent of first-year doctoral students who graduated within ten years.	100%	100%	100%	All PhD students graduated within ten years of beginning the program.	
3	Average Time to Degree	For each of the three most recent years, average of the graduates' time to degree.	6.00 (6 students)	6.00 (2 students)	6.00 (1 student)	IMA systematically increased the number of semesters by mistakenly counting PhD students' semesters as MS students instead of only their semesters as PhD students. The measures we provide are more accurate.	
4	Employment Profile (in field within one year of graduation)	For each of the three most recent years, the number and percent of graduates by year employed, those still seeking employment, and unknown.	5 (83%) 0 (0%) 1 (17%)	1 (50%) 0 (0%) 1 (50%)	1 (100%) 0 (0%) 0 (0%)		
5	Admission Criteria	Description of admission factors.	Outstanding educational preparation for doctoral study emphasizing research; excellent research and purpose statements; strong and specific academic references; GPA 3.0 or higher; competitive scores on multiple parts of the GRE				
6	Percentage of Full-time Students	FTS / number of students enrolled (headcount) for the last three fall semesters.	45.45% (15)	50% (16)	57% (17)		
7	Average Institutional Financial Support Provided	For those receiving financial support, the average monetary institutional support provided per full-time graduate student for the prior year from assistantships, scholarships, stipends, grants, and fellowships.	33,409.00				
8	Percentage Full-Time Students with Institutional Financial Support	In the prior year (2010-11), the number of FTS with at least \$1000 of annual support / the number of FTS.	50%				

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9	Number of Core Faculty	Number of core faculty in the prior year (2010-11 - see definitions).	15				All tenure-track faculty members with individual doctoral advisees (Aspray, Bailey, Bias, Dillon, Doty, Feinberg, Francisco-Revilla, Galloway, Harmon, Immroth, Lease, Roy, Trace, Westbrook, Winget)
10	Student to Core Faculty Ratio	For each of the three most recent years, average of full-time student equivalent (FTSE) / average of full-time faculty equivalent (FTFE) of core faculty.	not available	1.88	1.46		student FTE (21.89) divided by 15; IMA began collecting data for this item in 2009-2010; therefore, 2009-2010 will be the starting-point year
11	Core Faculty Publications	For each of the three most recent years, average of the number of discipline-related refereed papers or publications, books or book chapters, juried creative or performance accomplishments, and notices of discoveries files or patents issued per core faculty member	1.84	3.15	4.87		
12	Core Faculty External Grants	For each of the three most recent years, (1) average of the number of core faculty receiving external funds, (2) average external funds per faculty, and (3) total external funds per program per academic year.	7 (54%) \$108,338 \$758,368	8 (62%) \$125,070 \$1,000,562	2 (13%) \$504,823 \$1,009,647		
13	Faculty Teaching Load	Total number of semester credit hours in organized teaching courses taught per academic year by core faculty divided by the number of core faculty.	not available	86.65	197.43		number of core faculty is 15; IMA began collecting data for this item in 2009-2010; therefore, 2009-2010 will be the starting-point year
14	Faculty Diversity	Core faculty by ethnicity (White, Black, Hispanic, Other) and gender, updated when changed.	White 13	Black	Hispanic 1	Other 2	
15	Student Diversity	Enrollment headcount by ethnicity (White, Black, Hispanic, Other) and gender in program during the prior year.	White 21	Black	Hispanic 2	Other 7	
16	Date of Last External Review	Date of last formal external review, updated when changed.	not applicable				There is no external review of the PhD program.
17	External Program Accreditation	Name of body and date of last program accreditation review, if applicable, updated when changed.	not applicable				There is no accreditation review of the PhD program.
18	Student Publications & Presentations	For the three most recent years, the number of discipline-related papers & publications, juried creative or performance accomplishments, book chapters, books, and external presentations per year by student FTE.	2008/09 - 29; 2009/10 - 16; 2010/11 - 69 (21.89 FTE)				