Student registers

Start of course

FT 9 months

**Annual Review**

PT 18 months2

Other Research Students

PhD Students – incorporating Confirmation Review

Re-register on same degree (incl confirmation of PhD status if applicable)

Transfer to another programme with the agreement of the student

Continue as probationary PhD

Enter thesis pending period subject to minimum period of study of programme – submit within 4 years of initial registration5

Required to transfer to another programme3

Terminate programme – no opportunity to submit3

**Annual Review:**

**incorporating Confirmation Review if Student is still Probationary PhD Status**

**incorporating Final Annual Review if relevant**

FT 21 months

PT 42 months2

Enter thesis pending period subject to minimum period of study of programme – submit within 4 years of initial registration5

If on two year programme exceptionally register for third year4

Required to transfer to another programme3

Transfer to another programme with the agreement of the student

Re-register on same degree

Terminate programme – no opportunity to submit3

FT 36/48 months

**Annual Review incorporating Final Annual Review**

PT 72 months2

Student on 3 year programme or with exceptional extended registration of shorter programme

Student on programme of >3 year duration

Enter thesis pending

Terminate programme – no opportunity to submit3

Exceptionally re-register for 4th year4

Required to transfer to another programme3

Transfer to another programme with agreement of the student

Continue as registered student until end of programme period

Submit within 4 years of initial registration5

Note: For part-time students, all processes are biennial rather than annual

 May add 12 months for student on 4-year degree with taught element, e.g. New Route PhD

 May add 24 months for student on 4-year degree with taught element, e.g. New Route PhD

3  Appeal opportunity notified

4 In exceptional cases School may apply for permission for students who have completed the normal period of study to register for an additional period of time, up to the maximum periods specified in the University’s Qualifications Framework

5 Unless the student holds an award with terms and conditions that vary this