## Consequences of failure of Qualifying Exam in the Graduate Department of Public Health Sciences

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Failure of the qualifying exam constitutes grounds for termination of registration in the doctoral program. In this situation, students will be advised to make an appointment with the Program Director. Failure is assessed as follows:

- failure in *all* parts of the exam on the first attempt;
- failure in *any* part of the exam on the second attempt.

It is expected that all parts of the exam will be successfully passed before the end of the second year of study, but all parts must be passed in order to achieve **Candidacy** by the end of year 3.

In the event that a student has been approved for an *Extension to Achieve Candidacy*, all parts of the qualifying exam **must** be passed by the end of the extension period. No further extension will be granted for the purpose of passing the exam.