Graduate Coursework (see catalog for specific degree requirement) → Create Program of Study (in consultation with temporary faculty advisor) and submit to Graduate Coordinator (GC). Due end of first semester (revise as needed) → Register each semester for courses (use first-year plan as guide) → Research – decide if you wish to complete project or thesis. Selection of project requires summary, oral (poster) presentation. Thesis requires written proposal, public oral defense and library submission → Proposal Approval Submit MS Proposal Approval form signed by faculty advisor/program director and committee (if applicable) to GC (specify project or thesis) → If Master’s Research Project Register for BINF 798 using CRN provided by GC → Presentation – may be oral talk, poster or digital presentation at SSB Student Research Day or another event pre-approved by Program Director → Submit Project Report to research advisor or faculty advisor for grade → You are Done – Congratulations!

Thesis Register for BINF 799 using CRN provided by GC → Format meeting with Library (see SSB website for submission deadlines) → Request room reservation from SSB Admin Assistant. Upon room confirmation send public defense announcement info to GC (request announcement template) → Oral Defense (announcement required 15 days prior) → Finalize Thesis – obtain signatures from committee, SSB Director, and COS Deans (see SSB website for library submission deadlines) → Don’t forget to apply to graduate