



Three tracks:

1. Prospective and First Year Doctoral Students
2. Doctoral Students Approaching or Starting Candidacy
3. Doctoral Candidates

Note:

- This agenda is not final and is subject to change.
- The designated hotel for the R&D Retreat is the [Verb Hotel](#); booking link sent separately. All sessions will be held on the Boston University campus, within walking distance of the Verb.

Thursday, November 6:

- 5:00 – 7:30 p.m. Welcome Reception

Friday, November 7

- 8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Breakfast (at Verb Hotel)
- 9:00 – 9:30 a.m. Welcome (coffee service)
- 9:35 – 10:50 a.m. Concurrent Sessions
 - Developing a Research Agenda (Track 1)
 - Writing a Literature Review (Track 2)
 - Understanding and Using Conceptual and Theoretical Frameworks (Track 3)
- 10:55 a.m. – 12:10 p.m. Plenary: Navigating Microaggressions in the Academy
- 12:15 – 1:15 p.m. Lunch
- 1:30 – 4:30 p.m. Homework/Reading/Writing Time
 - Post-doc writing support room
 - Peer support room
 - Quiet rooms/spaces
- 4:35 – 4:45 p.m. Closing

Saturday, November 8

- 7:30 – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast (Verb Hotel)
- 8:30 – 8:45 a.m. Welcome (coffee service)
- 8:45 – 9:30 a.m. Student Panel: Tips for Getting Your Dissertation Done
- 9:35 – 10:50 a.m. Concurrent Sessions
 - Preparing for a Successful Ph.D. Journey (Track 1)
 - Developing an Effective and Fundable Research Proposal (Track 2)
 - Understanding the Peer Review Publication Process (Track 3)
- 10:55 – 12:10 p.m. Plenary Session: Establishing and Working with Your Dissertation Committee
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