Students are encouraged to complete the items below as early in the semester as possible. Additional information on Graduate College graduation requirements can be found here: [https://www.grad-college.iastate.edu/graduation/](https://www.grad-college.iastate.edu/graduation/)

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