DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY
IN THE FIELD OF CIVIL AND
ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements must be fulfilled:

The general requirements stated under School of Engineering,
Doctoral Program Regulations (http://bulletin.gwu.edu/
engineering-applied-science/#Doctor_of_Philosophy).

Students with an MS degree must take a minimum of 30 credits,
of which at least 18 must be from graduate courses, and at
least 12 must be dissertation research credits. The courses to
be taken by the student must be approved by the student’s
advisor. Students with a BS degree must take a minimum of 54
credits, of which at least 42 must be graduate course credits,
and at least 12 must be dissertation research credits. The
courses to be taken by the student must be approved by the
student’s advisor. In some cases, particularly when the student
undertakes a doctoral program in a field other than that in
which the earlier degree was earned, the program of study
exceeds the minimum number of credits.

No specific courses are required; the student and advisor
design the curriculum to meet the student’s needs and goals.

Other requirements

• Qualifying examination—Administered twice a year, the
  examination covers subject matters at both the master’s and
doctoral levels. Students should prepare for comprehensive
questioning on all subject matters regardless of any
particular course included in the actual doctoral coursework
load.

Student should contact the department for additional
information and requirements

Visit the program website (https://www.cee.seas.gwu.edu/
doctor-philosophy-program/) for additional program
information.