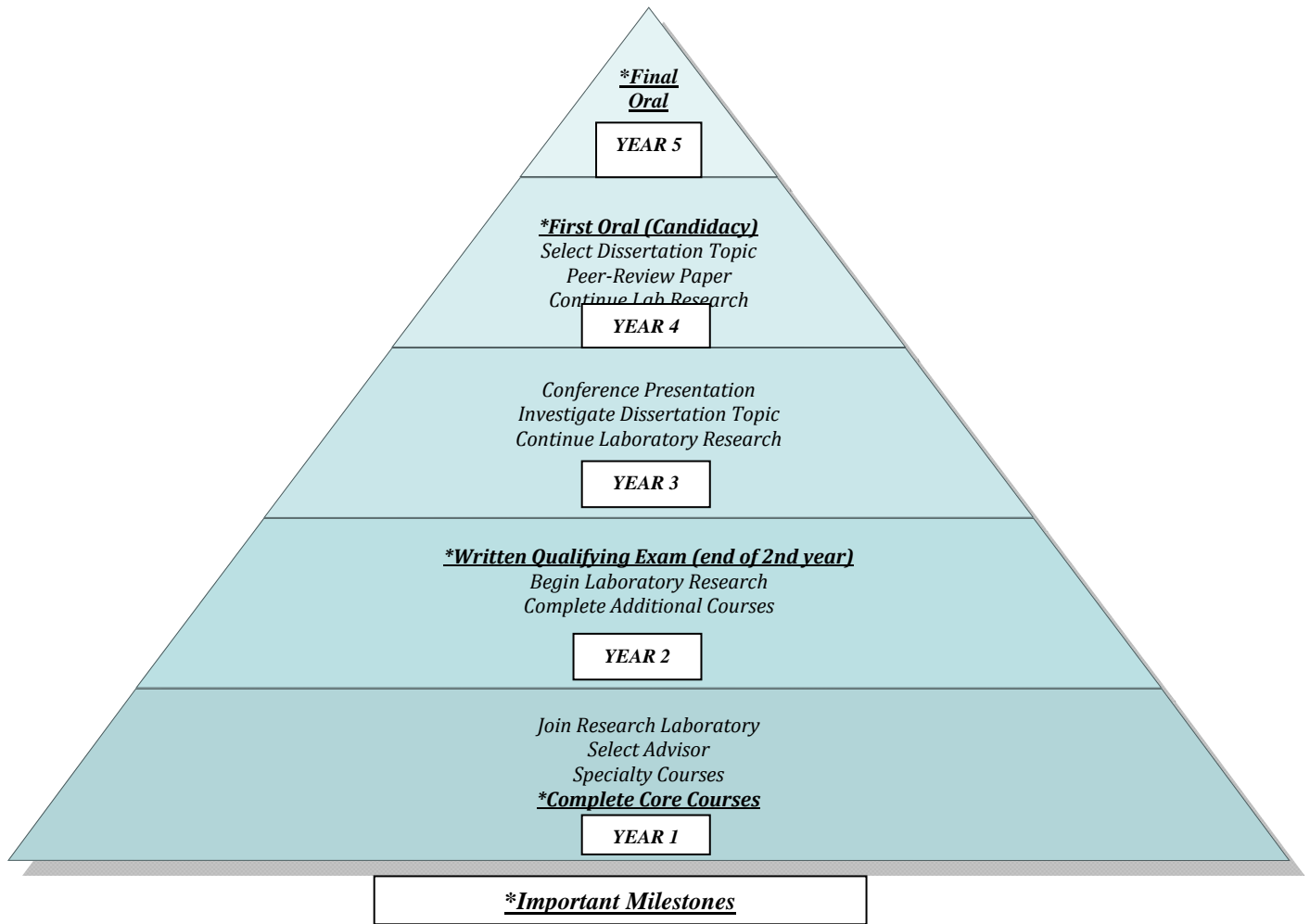


Ph.D. Pyramid to Success in Biomedical Physics



Year 1

- *Complete Core Courses
- Specialty Courses
- Select an Advisor
- Join a Research Laboratory

Year 2

- Complete Required and Additional Courses
- Begin Laboratory Research
- *Written Qualifying Exam (end of second year)

Year 3

- Continue Laboratory Research
- Investigate Dissertation Topic
- Conference Presentation

Year 4

- Conference Presentation
- Continue Laboratory Research
- Peer-Review Paper
- Select Dissertation Topic
- *First Oral (Advance to Candidacy)

Year 5

- Continue Laboratory Research
- Peer-Review Paper
- Final Oral and File Dissertation