

**2023-2024 PREPARING the QUALIFYING EXAM PROPOSAL SCHEDULE**

For PhD and MD-PhD students taking the *Spring 2024 Qualifying Exam*

Attendance mandatory for all sessions.

Materials for small group sessions are due by 12:00 noon the Monday before.

**Wednesday, December 6, 2023**  
4:00-5:00pm, Zoom

**General Session: Introduction to Proposal Writing**  
Led by Drs. Joan Berman and Tina Calderon

**Wednesday, December 13, 2023**  
4:00-5:00pm, Zoom

**General Session: Specific Aims and Experimental Design**  
Led by Drs. Joan Berman and Tina Calderon

**Wednesday, January 10, 2024**  
4:00-5:00pm, In-person

**Small Group Session: Specific Aims**  
Led by faculty facilitators and advanced graduate student facilitators

**Wednesday, January 24, 2024**  
4:00-5:00pm, In-person

**Small Group Session: Specific Aims**  
Led by faculty facilitators and advanced graduate student facilitators

**Wednesday, February 7, 2024**  
4:00-5:00pm, In-person

**Small Group Session: Experimental Design**  
Led by faculty facilitators and advanced graduate student facilitators

**Wednesday, February 28, 2024**  
4:00-5:00pm, In-person

**Small Group Session: Experimental Design**  
Led by faculty facilitators and advanced graduate student facilitators

**Wednesday, March 6, 2024**  
4:00-5:00pm, Zoom

**General Session: Wrap-up; Background and Significance; Tying it all Together**  
Led by Drs. Joan Berman and Tina Calderon