Comprehensive or candidacy exam reading planner

List the official reading list or topics your graduate program named, then plan coverage, notes and practice questions toward the exam date in your calendar.

NAME

DATE

THE EXAM

PROGRAM AND DEGREE

EXAM NAME (COMPREHENSIVE, CANDIDACY, QUALIFYING, OR AS YOUR CALENDAR

OFFICIAL EXAM DATE

COMMITTEE OR GRADUATE SECRETARY

READING LIST

Reading or topic (from the official list)	Must / should / optional (as the program labelled it)	Notes done?	Practice or meeting date	Confidence 1-5

QUESTIONS I WILL ASK MY SUPERVISOR OR COMMITTEE

Your graduate calendar and committee set the format, list and date. This planner does not replace those rules.

SOURCES (CHECKED 2026-11-27)

Check current tri-agency graduate award pages, if you are timing the exam around a scholarship deadline on the official page.
https://nserc-crsng.canada.ca/en/funding-opportunity/canada-graduate-research-scholarship-masters-program (checked 2026-11-26)