Supervision Checklist for Students

Refer to the SGS Graduate Supervision Guidelines for more information.

☐ I chose my supervisor (or agreed to the choice) after appropriate research.

☐ I have had sufficient initial meetings with my supervisor and have discussed:
  ☐ Potential or actual thesis topic
  ☐ Funding
  ☐ Applying for scholarships and awards
  ☐ Teaching assistantships
  ☐ Availability of space
  ☐ Expected hours of work
  ☐ Timelines and major milestones including anticipated completion time
  ☐ When and how a supervisory committee will be chosen
  ☐ Nature of guidance
  ☐ Frequency and style of meetings
  ☐ Who arranges formal meetings
  ☐ Methods of informal communication
  ☐ Turnaround time for major questions, drafts of thesis chapters, publications, or conference presentations
  ☐ IP issues such as authorship on publications, conference presentations
  ☐ Other IP issues such as industry involvement, thesis publication embargoes, patents

☐ I understand and have discussed with my supervisor my program requirements including (not all may be applicable):
  ☐ Required courses
  ☐ Extra courses
  ☐ Language/breadth requirement
  ☐ Comprehensive/field/qualifying exam
  ☐ Seminar attendance
  ☐ Ethics review
  ☐ Thesis proposal
  ☐ Other (specify):

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