passed not later than one month before the preliminary Ph.D. examination.
(6) The first two years shall include instruction, training and direction in his field of study, with the object of giving the candidate a knowledge of his particular subject and its relation to cognate branches of learning, and of preparing him for independent investigation. The candidate's preliminary examination shall be held at the end of the second year, or at a time selected by the head of the major department. This examination shall cover all graduate work previously taken by the candidate, including his prescribed reading, and may also include any work fundamental thereto. The candidate must show that he possesses a good general knowledge of the whole science or branch of learning which he has selected as his major subject. The examination shall be both written and oral. The result of this examination will determine whether the candidate will be allowed to proceed to his degree. The final year is to be devoted chiefly to the preparation of his thesis or dissertation. After his thesis has been received and approved \ a special and more searching oral examination on the subject of his dissertation and subjects more intimately related to it, will constitute his final examination. This will be conducted in the presence of a committee of at least four of the Taculty of Graduate Studies. (7) The thesis for the Doctor's Degree shall display original scholarship expressed in satisfactory literary form and be a distinct contribution to knowledge. The subject of this thesis must have been approved, in writing, by the head of the department in which the major subject lies, and also by the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, at least twelve months before the date of the final examination. If the candidate wishes to present himself for the degree at the Convocation in May, this thesis must be in the hands of the Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, on or before April 28th. No thesis received after this date will be accepted. Theses for the Fall Convocation must be in the hands of the Dean of the Faculty on, or before, September 3rd.
(8) Three copies of the thesis must be provided by the candidate and delivered to the Dean of the Graduate Taculty at the dates mentioned in the former paragraph.