CIST 9040  COLLOQUIUM ON IT RESEARCH (1 credit)
The purpose of the course is to provide a forum for interaction among doctoral students and faculty on topics of relevance to professional success as researchers. Topics to be discussed include: nature of research in information technology; research problem selection, development, and presentation with special emphasis on the doctoral dissertation; dissertation process; development and crafting of papers for journals; collaboration on research projects; and review process for journal papers. 
Prerequisite(s)/Corequisite(s): Admission to PhD program in Information Technology or permission of instructor.

CIST 9050  COLLOQUIUM ON IT TEACHING (1 credit)
The purpose of the course is to provide a forum for interaction among doctoral student and faculty on topics of relevance to professional success as teachers/educators in university settings. Topics to be discussed include: issues and challenges of teaching; getting started in teaching; course preparation; teaching methods; assessment of students; on-going course development; diversity in the classroom; use of technology in teaching including online education; and developing and maintaining a teaching portfolio. 
Prerequisite(s)/Corequisite(s): Doctoral students in Information Technology and Biomedical informatics. Students from doctoral programs across the University of Nebraska are welcome to register with permission of instructor. Not open to non-degree graduate students.

CIST 9060  COLLOQUIUM ON IT PROFESSION AND ETHICS (1 credit)
The purpose of this course is to provide a forum for interaction among doctoral students and faculty on topics of relevance to professional success as members of the academy. Some of the topics to be discussed will include: ethics and professional code of conduct; strategies for dealing with academic dishonesty/plagiarism; academic and professional organizations in the IT profession (e.g., IEEE, ACM, AIS, PMI, AITP); challenges of human subjects research; developing survival skills: balancing service, teaching and research, etc.; career development and progression; and role and nature of local, national, and international service. 
Prerequisite(s)/Corequisite(s): Any IS&T PhD student is eligible to attend; other Doctoral students can attend with permission of instructor. Not open to non-degree graduate students.

CIST 9070  RESEARCH OTHER THAN THESIS (1-3 credits)
The course is designed to acquaint students with issues which are current to the field or emerging trends in the information technology area. Topics will vary across terms. This course may be repeated, but no topic may be taken more than once. 
Prerequisite(s)/Corequisite(s): Permission of the instructor. Additional prerequisite courses may be required for particular topic offerings.

CIST 9900  SPECIAL TOPICS IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (1-3 credits)
This course is designed to acquaint students with issues which are current to the field or emerging trends in the information technology area. Topics will vary across terms. This course may be repeated, but no topic may be taken more than once. 
Prerequisite(s)/Corequisite(s): Permission of the instructor. Additional prerequisite courses may be required for particular topic offerings.

CIST 9970  RESEARCH OTHER THAN THESIS (1-3 credits)
This is a directed research course enabling students to pursue a research topic individually under the direction of a graduate faculty member. Research problems should help introduce students to practical research methods in the field of computing, and they should be framed in such a way to enable the student to complete the work in the course of one semester. 
Prerequisite(s)/Corequisite(s): Requires instructor permission. Only open to doctoral students in the IT PhD program. Course cannot be taken for credit after candidacy nor count towards core/major field of study requirements in the IT PhD. Not open to non-degree graduate students.

CIST 9980  INDEPENDENT STUDY IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (1-3 credits)
This course allows students to research a topic of their interest that is not available in a formal course. The topic to be studied must be agreed upon by the student and the instructor. 
Prerequisite(s)/Corequisite(s): Permission of the instructor. Not open to non-degree graduate students.

CIST 9980  DISSECTATION (1-12 credits)
The dissertation is an original research project conducted and written under the direction of a faculty supervisory committee. The dissertation provides the student with an opportunity to do original research that contributes to advancing the body of knowledge in information systems and/or information technology. 
Prerequisite(s)/Corequisite(s): Admission to the Ph.D. program in Information Technology. Admission to candidacy for the Ph.D. degree. Prior to enrolling for dissertation hours, the students must have permission of the supervisory committee. Not open to non-degree graduate students.