

Graduation Deadlines

Graduating in September 2017	Graduating in December 2017	Graduating in May 2018	
Thursday June 15, 2017	Monday October 16, 2017	Thursday January 25, 2018	<p>Deadline to apply for graduation</p> <p>Log into Duke Hub and click on the "Forms and Requests" tab. Then click the "Apply for Graduation" button. The graduation list submitted to the Office of Special Events and University Ceremonies is generated from the Apply for Graduation forms.</p> <p>If you applied to graduate in the previous term but did not graduate, you will need to apply again for the current term.</p> <p>If you are completing a certificate program, you must apply to graduate for it separately in Duke Hub.</p>
Monday July 10, 2017	Monday November 6, 2017	Friday March 16, 2018	<p>Deadline for initial submission of electronic doctoral dissertation or master's thesis</p> <p>The initial dissertation/thesis submission to UMI/ProQuest must take place at least two weeks prior to your defense. NOTE: If you submit your initial dissertation/thesis on the deadline date, you cannot defend until 14 days after that.</p> <p><i>Initial submission of the Dissertation/Thesis means that the document is complete. We will not check the format of an incomplete document.</i></p> <p>After you submit your electronic dissertation/master's thesis to UMI/ProQuest, you will receive an email from The Graduate School within two business days informing you of any formatting problems. This email will include the link to The Graduate School Appointment Calendar.</p> <p>We must receive the letter from your advisor confirming that your dissertation is complete and ready to defend and the Departmental Defense Announcement before we can release your Final Examination Certificate. <i>YOU MUST COME TO THE GRADUATE SCHOOL (2127 Campus Drive) TO PICK UP YOUR FINAL EXAMINATION CERTIFICATE BEFORE YOUR DEFENSE.</i> In addition, you will receive instructions for final dissertation submission and a link to complete an <i>Exit Survey</i>.</p>
Monday July 24, 2017	Monday November 20, 2017	Monday April 2, 2018	<p>Final deadline to defend your dissertation or master's thesis</p> <p>Final day to hold the Ph.D. dissertation or Master's thesis defense to receive the degree.</p>
Monday August 7, 2017	Monday December 4, 2017	Monday April 16, 2018	<p>Deadline for final submission of electronic dissertation or thesis:</p> <p>3:00 p.m. All defended, completed Ph.D. dissertations and Master's theses must be submitted to UMI/ProQuest.</p> <p>5:00 p.m. All Ph.D. final exam cards and Master's final exam cards (both thesis and non-thesis Master's) must be submitted to The Graduate School.</p> <p>NOTE: The departments for all students getting a non-thesis Master's degree (this includes the Master's on the way to the Ph.D.) in December 2017 must submit a Non-Thesis Master's Examination Card to The Graduate School by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, December 4, signed by their examining committee and the director of graduate studies.</p>

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