

2019-2020 SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES SCHEDULE

FALL SEMESTER, 2019

JULY

30	Tuesday	Orientation for new students
31	Wednesday	Orientation for new students Registration for all students – completed

AUGUST

5	Monday	Classes begin for fall semester Student fees due or within 2 weeks prior to this date
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SEPTEMBER

2	Monday	Labor Day holiday
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NOVEMBER

8	Friday	Final date to submit request for Dissertation/Thesis Defense and Final Examination to graduate at Fall graduation.*
	Friday	Final date to circulate announcement of M.S. or Ph.D. Final Examination for Fall graduation to Graduate Faculty.*
18	Monday	Registration packets due for Spring Semester
25	Monday	Final date to convene M.S. or Ph.D. defense to graduate at Fall graduation.*
28-29	Th/Fri	Thanksgiving Holiday

DECEMBER

2	Monday	Classes resume
9	Monday	Final date for submission of approved Dissertation/Thesis Defense Final Examination Report for Fall awarding of degrees.*
13	Friday	Fall Semester ends *Commencement, May 2020
24-26	Tue-Thur	Christmas Holiday
31	Tuesday	New Year's Holiday

SPRING SEMESTER, 2020

JANUARY

1	Wednesday	New Year's Holiday
2	Thursday	Classes begin for spring semester Fees due or within 2 weeks prior to this date
20	Monday	Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday observed

FEBRUARY

17	Monday	President's Day
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APRIL

9	Thursday	Final date to submit request for Dissertation/Thesis Defense and Final Examination to graduate at Spring Commencement. Final date to circulate announcement of M.S. or Ph.D. Final Examination for Spring Commencement to Graduate Faculty
10/13	Friday/Monday	Easter Holiday
20	Monday	Registration packets due to Graduate School Office for Summer term
23	Thursday	Final date to convene M.S. or Ph.D. defense to graduate at Spring Commencement

MAY

1	Friday	Graduate Research Day
7	Thursday	Final date for submission of approved theses, dissertations and committee-examination reports for Spring Commencement.
15	Friday	Spring Semester ends
25	Monday	Memorial Day holiday
30	Saturday	Commencement (August, December, and May graduates)

SUMMER TERM, 2020

JUNE

1	Monday	Summer term begins Fees due or within 2 weeks prior to this date
18	Thursday	Final date to submit request for Dissertation/Thesis Defense and Final Examination to graduate at Summer graduation. Final date to circulate announcement of M.S. or Ph.D. Final Examination for Summer graduation to Graduate Faculty.*

JULY

2	Thursday	Final date to convene M.S. or Ph.D. defense to graduate at Summer graduation.*
3	Friday	Independence Day Holiday
17	Friday	Final date for submission of approved theses and dissertations and committee-examination reports for Summer graduation.*
24	Friday	Summer term ends* Commencement, May 2021 Registration packets due to Graduate Student Office for Fall semester
31	Friday	IDP forms due in Graduate School Office

AUGUST

3	Monday	Fall semester begins
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Forms are available from the Department or Graduate School. Examples of these forms are found at the back of this handbook.

NOTE: Request forms for thesis/dissertation Defense and Final Examination must be submitted to the Graduate School at least 2 weeks prior to the defense. Public notices of the defense must also be posted at least 2 weeks prior to the defense.