

## GRADUATE STUDIES DEADLINES

SPRING 2025 - [Calendar](#)

All forms should be submitted to [oss-graduateservices@umd.edu](mailto:oss-graduateservices@umd.edu) and require two Department signatures (advisor and Department Graduate Director). Please refer to the "[Step-by-Step Graduation Overview](#)"; and "[Forms Used by Graduate Students](#)" to determine administrative requirements.

DUE DATE	DESCRIPTION	FOR WHOM
Jan 2 Thursday	Official transcripts with Fall 2024 grades and GPA's	ALL STUDENTS
JAN 7 Tuesday	Final Date to submit <a href="#">Approved Program Form</a> and u.Achieve audit. Please submit these to Graduate Studies no later than Jan 3rd for the Fall 2024 semester.	GRADUATING MASTER'S & AGS STUDENTS
JAN 16 Thursday	<b>Degree Appears on Record</b>	Fall Graduates
JAN 20 Monday	<b>CAMPUS CLOSED</b> –Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Holiday	ALL STUDENTS FACULTY/STAFF
JAN 27 Monday	<b>First day of classes</b> <b>Start of the <a href="#">Schedule Adjustment Period</a>.</b> Late registration begins (\$20.00 fee). Regular check-in begins for waitlist and hold file; check-in daily to remain on list. The Schedule Adjustment Period is the first ten business days of classes during the Fall or Spring semester. Go to <a href="#">academic deadlines</a> or <a href="#">non-standard course deadlines</a> for exact dates.	ALL STUDENTS
JAN 26 Sunday	<b>Last day to cancel Spring 2024 registration or drop courses without fees.</b> Last day to <a href="#">register online</a> without a \$20.00 late fee. See the <a href="#">Schedule of Classes</a> for instructions.	ALL STUDENTS
FEB 7 Friday	<b>Last day to <a href="#">REGISTER LATE</a> (\$20.00 late fee charged).</b> <b>ALL GRADUATE STUDENTS MUST BE REGISTERED BY THIS DATE. End of the Schedule Adjustment Period</b> -Last day to DROP/ADD courses of equal credit (See <a href="#">drop penalties</a> for more information) -To register or adjust your schedule after this date, submit the College " <a href="#">Graduate Studies Registration/Adjustment Petition</a> " (approved only under extenuating circumstances).	ALL GRADUATE STUDENTS
FEB 7 Friday	<b>Last day to submit the <a href="#">Application for Graduation</a> for May 2025.</b> Post-Baccalaureate Certificate Students: Final date to submit the <a href="#">Application for Graduation</a> to Diploma Services in order to graduate this semester/term.	GRADUATING STUDENTS
MID-FEB	Check with your department for comprehensive examination applications, deadlines, and examination dates (if required). <b>Coordinators should run a preliminary audit</b> Master's Candidates meet with their advisor for preliminary audit check for fall graduation <a href="#">Master's Degree Completion Checklist</a> <a href="#">Doctoral Degree Completion Checklist</a>	GRADUATING MASTER'S & AGS STUDENTS
FEB 19 Wednesday	The <a href="#">Nomination of Thesis or Dissertation Committee Form</a> is due in Graduate Studies in order to meet <b>the Graduate School deadline of Friday, February 21</b> . A committee form must be submitted at least 6 weeks before the scheduled defense. A copy of the Human Subjects IRB approval letter must be attached.	GRADUATING DOCTORAL STUDENTS
February 28 Friday	The <a href="#">Nomination of a Master's Thesis Committee</a> form is due to Graduate Studies in order to meet <b>the Graduate School deadline of Monday, March 3</b> . A committee form must be submitted at least 6 weeks before the scheduled defense A copy of the Human Subjects IRB approval letter must be attached (if used).	GRADUATING MASTER'S THESIS STUDENTS
MARCH 16-23 Sunday-Sunday	CAMPUS CLOSED-Spring Break <b>Campus offices closed from March 17 thru March 18</b>	ALL STUDENTS/FACULTY/ STAFF
APRIL 11 Friday	Deadline to receive the results of master's and A.G.S. comprehensive examinations ( <b>if required</b> ) in Graduate Studies for students graduating in May. Revisit preliminary audit check (save to department file) to avoid degree discrepancies, credit count discrepancies and transfer/inclusion of credit discrepancies.	M.A. and M.ED. GRADUATING STUDENTS

<b>APRIL 15 Tuesday</b>	<b>Doctoral students:</b> Final date to submit the dissertation via <a href="#">ETD System</a> Dissertation directors must submit the signed Report of Oral Examining Committee Form (REC) to the Office of the Registrar. A REC copy must be returned to the department coordinators and submitted to OSS for recording purposes.  Doctoral students must also complete the online " <a href="#">Doctoral Student Surveys</a> " as required by the Graduate School.	<b>GRADUATING DOCTORAL STUDENTS</b>
<b>April 15 Tuesday</b>	Final seminar papers and/or research papers (for M.Ed. and M.A. non-thesis options) signed by the professor directing the paper and the advisor, are due.	<b>M.A. non thesis and M.Ed. Graduating Students</b>
<b>APRIL 29 Tuesday</b>	<b>Master's Thesis Students:</b> Final date to submit thesis via <a href="#">ETD System</a> online.	<b>M.A. GRADUATING STUDENTS</b>
<b>MAY 13 Tuesday</b>	Last day of classes <i>Final date to complete non-thesis requirements for master's programs</i>	<b>ALL STUDENTS Graduating non-thesis master's students</b>
<b>Wednesday May 21 Thursday May 22</b>	<b>5/21 <a href="#">Campus commencement ceremony and official graduation date</a> 5/22 <a href="#">College commencement ceremony UG Ceremony 9:00 am Reckord Armory Grad Ceremony 12:00 Reckord Armory</a></b>	<b>GRADUATING GRADUATE STUDENTS</b>
<b>MAY 23 Friday</b>	Final grades are due ( <i>UMEG Opens on TBD</i> )	<b>ALL STUDENTS</b>
<b>MAY 25 Monday</b>	The <a href="#">Approved Program Form</a> and U.achieve Audits are due to Graduate Studies in order to meet the <b>Registrar deadline of May 26.</b>	<b>GRADUATING MASTER'S &amp; CERTIFICATE STUDENTS</b>
<b>MAY 28 Wednesday</b>	GPA's appear on student records	<b>ALL STUDENTS</b>
<b>MAY 26 Monday</b>	CAMPUS CLOSED-Memorial Day	<b>ALL STUDENTS/FACULTY/STAFF</b>
<b>JUN 2 Monday</b>	First day of Summer 2025 Session I classes	<b>ALL STUDENTS</b>
<b>JUN 11 Wednesday</b>	Spring 2025 degrees <b>expected</b> to post to student transcripts.	<b>GRADUATING STUDENTS</b>

The [Application for Admission to Candidacy](#) form is approved by the Department prior to submission to Graduate Studies, Room 1204. Graduate Studies will recommend to the Graduate School the consideration of candidacy. The candidacy papers must be submitted prior to the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month in order for the form to be reviewed. The Graduate School will notify each student regarding the candidacy decision, effective the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month following documentation submission.

**Graduation Requirements:**

- Students must be registered for a minimum of one credit in the intended semester of graduation, including one of the summer sessions for August degree conferral.
- **It is necessary to apply for degree conferral early in the semester of graduation.** If degree requirements are not met in the semester of initial application, the Application for Graduation continues to carry over until graduation requirements are met. However, any student whose time expires before graduation requirements are met will not have their Application for Graduation rolled over. These students will need to submit a "[Request for a Time Extension](#)" form and will need to reapply to graduate. There is no fee charged for the [Application for Graduation](#).
- Doctoral candidates for Summer degree conferral who have defended and who have accumulated the required number of 899 dissertation credits prior to the Summer sessions, may register for 899 dissertation credit (charged by the credit) or 898 pre-candidacy credit, or any other credit approved by the student's advisor, in order to meet the registration requirement for August degree conferral.
- **Students are responsible for meeting deadlines when fulfilling final degree requirements. • Students should check the graduate program that they are enrolled in for applicable deadlines it may have.**
- Effective Fall 2020, all full-time graduate students (master's and doctoral) will be required to have health insurance. View the [Grad School Health Insurance Policy](#) for more information.
- For additional information, contact the College of Education, Graduate Studies Office at 301-405-2361/ 301-405-2363 or email [gss graduateservices@umd.edu](mailto:graduateservices@umd.edu)

**Summer 2025 Semester - Monday June 2 First Day of Classes**