IMPORTANT GRADUATE STUDENT DATES  
Spring 2020

PLEASE NOTE:

- Doctoral candidates must include a minimum of two (2) semester hours of dissertation every term, as part of the full-time enrollment, including summer.*
- After completion of twenty-four credit hours of dissertation, doctoral candidates must be enrolled for a minimum of three credit hours per semester (of which at least two must be dissertation hours) until completion of the degree.*
- Thesis students and doctoral candidates are required to register for a minimum two (2) semester hours of thesis or dissertation in the semester of graduation.*
- All exams (comps, prelims, etc.) and all defenses require registration – contact your department for details.

*International students may have greater requirements. Consult your CGE Advisor.

Most forms referenced below may be found online at:  
http://education.fsu.edu/student-resources/student-academic-services-oasis/for-graduate-students

January 3, 2020
Last day to file for change in residency status.

Drop/Add  
Students are tuition/fee liable for any coursework remaining on their schedule after the drop/add deadline.

First Day of Classes  
January 6, 2020 - Spring 2020 classes begin.

Late Registration  
January 6 – January 9, 2020  
Late registration fees ($100.00) will not be waived.

January 9, 2020 - Fourth Day of Classes  
- Last day to Drop/Add and have fees adjusted.
- Last day to cancel enrollment and have fees removed.
- Last day to add a course without Academic Dean’s permission.
• Students are liable for all tuition/fees for courses remaining on their schedules at 11:59 p.m. (Eastern US).
• Drop/Add ends at 11:59 p.m. (Eastern US).

Spring 2020 Graduation Application Period
• NOTE: You are required to apply for graduation even if you do not intend to attend the Commencement Ceremony.
• January 24, 2020 is the last day to apply for Spring 2020 Graduation.

End of 7th Week of the Semester
February 21, 2020
• Last day to submit form requesting S/U grading or to change S/U option back to a regular grade.
• Last day to reduce course load without the permission of Academic Dean. Dean’s permission required to drop below twelve semester hours.
• Last day to drop a course without receiving a grade.
• Last day to withdraw without receiving a grade.
• Last day for doctoral students to take and pass their preliminary examination in order to add or convert dissertation hours for the current semester.
• Last day to petition to reinstate class schedule cancelled for nonpayment of tuition.

March 9, 2020 - Last day for doctoral students to submit doctoral dissertation to The Graduate School for pre-defense format review. ALL initial manuscripts MUST be submitted by this date in order to be eligible to graduate this semester. *

March 22, 2020 - Last day for Doctoral Prospectus approval during the Spring semester in order to graduate in Summer 2020. The Doctoral Prospectus must be approved by the academic dean at least four (4) months prior to Dissertation Defense. Note: This date is approximately four (4) months from The Graduate School’s Summer 2020 final manuscript clearance deadline.

March 25, 2020 - Last day for master's thesis students to submit their thesis to The Graduate School for pre-defense format review. ALL initial manuscripts MUST be submitted by this date in order to be eligible to graduate this semester.*
April 13, 2020 – Final manuscript submission deadline. Last day for submission of the post-defense, content-corrected thesis or dissertation and required forms/submissions to The Graduate (by 5:00p.m. Eastern U.S.). All signatures/approvals must be obtained before the forms are submitted to the Manuscript Clearance Advisor. *

April 24, 2020 - Last Day of Classes

- Deadline for submission of all Spring 2020 Comprehensive Exam/Portfolio results (Masters/Specialist students), Diagnostic/Qualifying Exam Results and Doctoral Preliminary Exam results to OASIS, 2301 Stone Building.
- Deadline for Spring 2020 admitted Educator Preparation graduate program students to submit the appropriate online Educator Preparation Application and for the receipt all official passing FTCE GK exam scores by Florida State University.
- Last day for thesis and dissertation and students graduating this semester to receive an email from Manuscript Clearance confirming final manuscript clearance.

May 1, 2020 – Semester Ends

- Deadline for submission of Spring 2020 Graduate Certificate Admission applications.
- Deadline for submission Spring 2020 Graduate Certificate Completion applications to OASIS.

Saturday, May 2, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. (Eastern US) – Spring 2020 Commencement Ceremony for the College of Education.


The detailed spring academic calendar can be viewed at the Registrar’s Office website: https://registrar.fsu.edu/registration_guide/spring/academic_calendar/.

For additional dates and information for spring, please visit the Registrar's website: https://registrar.fsu.edu/registration_guide/spring/.

Please bookmark these pages and refer to those links for the most up-to-date information.

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