

## Defense and Graduation Deadlines for Anschutz Medical Campus Non-Thesis MS Students Academic Year 2020-2021

Non-thesis MS students and their programs have more flexibility to schedule final exams later in the semester. If you are a MS student doing a thesis or a PhD student, please consult Deadlines for Thesis MS & PhD Students for the correct (more stringent) deadlines.

**Note:** Download all forms directly from the [Graduate School Resources](#) page to ensure you have the most current version. Old forms can't be accepted. **Your Program Administrator should review all forms before you (or they) submit them to the Graduate School via email to Teresa Bauer-Sogi and Shawna Cox.**

Task	Fall 2020 Graduation	Spring 2021 Graduation	Summer 2021 Graduation
Submit your <b>Application for Graduation</b> (in your UCDAccess student portal) to notify the Registrar and GS of your intent to graduate.	Between: <b>June 15, 2020 and September 7, 2020</b>	Between: <b>November 2, 2020 and February 1, 2021</b>	Between: <b>February 1, 2021 and June 7, 2021</b>
<b>At least 2 weeks prior to the exam! Late requests may result in your committee not having your exam report form, which could delay your graduation.</b>			
Submit <b>Exam Request</b> form to the Graduate School to schedule defense exam.	No later than: <b>October 30, 2020</b>	No later than: <b>April 2, 2021</b>	No later than: <b>July 2, 2021</b>
Submit <b>Application for Candidacy</b> form to the Graduate School.	<b>With Exam Request</b>	<b>With Exam Request</b>	<b>With Exam Request</b>
Take final comprehensive exam or give final presentation.	<b>December 4, 2020</b>	<b>May 14, 2021</b>	<b>August 13, 2021</b>
<b>End of Term</b>	<b>December 11, 2020</b>	<b>May 21, 2021</b>	<b>August 20, 2021</b>
<b>Commencement</b>	<b>TBA</b>	<b>May 28, 2021</b>	<b>TBA</b>

**If you miss any of these deadlines, your degree conferral will be postponed to the next semester.**

**Defend by the end of the term and you just have to apply to graduate again; you do not have to register or pay for credit.**

### Reminders:

- Your program may have earlier internal deadlines than those in this document. In particular, you may have to schedule your final exam earlier than permitted by these deadlines.
- Refer to your unofficial transcript as you complete your Application for Candidacy. The Application for Candidacy records the courses that you've taken to meet your degree requirements, not necessarily all courses you've taken as a graduate student. Do not include failed classes or classes taken that do not fulfill degree requirements. The number of credits indicated on the first page should be the minimum required for your program of study, not the total you have taken. Courses listed on the Application for Candidacy cannot be counted toward a future master's degree.
- All transfer credits must be posted before you can graduate.