

2020-2021 November Degree Deadlines

		A DAC Report stating that you have the permission to write your dissertation must be on file with DMS
		Packet Meeting with DMS Students must sign up for a packet meeting through this Calendly link: https://calendly.com/dms-4/packet-meeting-1 . In this meeting we will go over the steps, forms and guidelines for finishing up your degree
	August 14, 2020	Online Degree Application deadline for November Degrees. Apply through your "My Program" on my.Harvard.edu. You must also provide a completion code for the <u>GSAS Exit Survey</u> within the application. Detailed instructions on how to apply can be found in the <u>Knowledge Center</u> . The application typically opens 2 weeks before deadline.
	4 weeks before the defense or earlier	 Forms Due to the DMS Office: (dmsphddefense@hms.harvard.edu) Program Approval Form: Obtain Dissertation Advisor 's & Program Head's signatures; DMS will obtain the Vice Chairman's signature. Proposed Examiners Form: Obtain Program Head's & Advisor's signatures, DMS will obtain Chair's signature. Dissertation Examination Information Sheet Post-Graduation Information Sheet Dissertation Abstract & Title Page: must be emailed as one Word document.
	16 days before the defense or earlier	Dissertation Review Meeting with DMS Students must sign up for a dissertation review meeting through this Calendly link:: https://calendly.com/dms-4/dissertationreview . In this meeting we will check your meets GSAS formatting requirements, review final steps of submitting the dissertation, and answer questions about the defense itself.
	14 days before the defense	Deliver dissertation to the examination committee Please reach out to the committee members well in advance to see if they prefer an electronic or physical version.
	August 31, 2020	Examination must not be any later than this date.
		Online submission of Final Dissertation due to the Registrar's Office Submit your dissertation to <u>ProQuest ETD</u> (under the Medical Sciences Department/Program) as well as complete the mandatory surveys on the <u>Registrar's website</u> .
	September 8, 2020 September 9, 2020	 If submitted BY September 8, registration, tuition and student health fee for the fall term and tuition will be cancelled. Student Health Insurance Plan will be retroactively cancelled back to the last day of the prior term of coverage (July 31), and the student will be billed for any medical costs incurred during this period. If submitted ON September 9, student's health fees remain ON the student account and student retains HUHS/Blue Cross Blue Shield health coverage through January 31 (requires advisor's prior approval).
	November 10, 2020	Degree Conferral Date

http://dms.hms.harvard.edu/Current%20Students/dissertation.html

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