

2020-2021 May 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
April 1, 2021	Online Degree Application deadline for May Degrees. Apply through your "My Program" on my.Harvard.edu. Detailed instructions on how to apply can be found in the Knowledge Center . The application typically opens 2 weeks before deadline. *Please note that the GSAS Exit Survey is no longer required for students defending in 2020-2021.
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.
May 6, 2021	Examination must not be any later than this date.
May 13, 2021	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).
	 May Degree WITHOUT Spring Tuition - You must submit the final dissertation before the first day of spring classes. Tuition/Heath Insurance will be terminated as of January 31. You must notify samantha_reed@hms.harvard.edu and dmsaccounting@hms.harvard.edu. May Degree with Spring Tuition - You must submit the final dissertation by May 13, 2021.
May 27, 2021	Degree Conferral Date

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 $\underline{http://dms.hms.harvard.edu/Current\%20Students/dissertation.html}$

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