

Defense and Graduation Deadlines for Anschutz Medical Campus Non-Thesis MS Students Academic Year 2021-2022

Note: If you miss deadlines in the current semester, your degree conferral will be postponed to the next semester. But if you defend before the end of the current semester, you don't have to register for additional credit; just apply again to graduate in the next semester. (Example: If you defend on November 22, 2021, apply to graduate in Spring 2022 but don't register for Spring 2022.)

Task	Fall 2021 Graduation	Spring 2022 Graduation	Summer 2022 Graduation
Submit your Application for Graduation (in your UCDAccess student portal) to notify the Registrar and GS of your intent to graduate.	Between: June 14, 2021 and September 10, 2021	Between: September 13, 2021 and February 4, 2022	Between: February 7, 2022 and June 10, 2022
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.			
Submit Exam Request form to the Graduate School to schedule defense exam.	No later than: December 3, 2021	No later than: May 6, 2022	No later than: August 5, 2022
Submit Application for Candidacy form to the Graduate School.	With Exam Request	With Exam Request	With Exam Request
Take final comprehensive exam or give final presentation.	December 17, 2021	May 20, 2022	August 19, 2022
End of Term	December 17, 2021	May 20, 2022	August 19, 2022
Commencement	December 18, 2021	May 27, 2022	TBA

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.
- Download all forms directly from [Graduate School Resources](#) to ensure you have the most current version.
- Your program administrator should review all forms before you (or they) submit to the Graduate School.
- Refer to your unofficial transcript as you type your Application for Candidacy. The number of credits indicated on the first page should be the minimum required for your program of study. Do not include failed classes or classes that were not necessary for your degree. Courses listed on the Application for Candidacy cannot be counted toward a future master's degree.
- All transfer credits must be posted before you submit your Application for Candidacy.