

Graduation Deadlines

Spring 2021 Graduation Thesis Programs

Deadlines

- Jan. 15** Submit **Admission to Candidacy** form to the Graduate School.
- Jan. 15** Submit **Graduation Application** online at MyUTK. Non-refundable Graduation fee (\$30) will be charged upon submission and must be paid at MyUTK.
- Feb. 26** Submit a **preliminary (partial) of your thesis** online for preliminary review by the Coordinator of Student Services. Failure to submit a preliminary draft by the deadline may result in a delay of the acceptance of the final thesis and postponement of your graduation. Get instructions on submitting your thesis at tiny.utk.edu/thesis-submit; contact thesis@utk.edu with questions.
- Apr. 16** **Defend thesis.**
- Apr. 23** Your **thesis must be accepted** in TRACE by 5:00 p.m. Failure to have your document accepted by this date can result in postponement of your graduation. Theses are accepted by the Coordinator of Student Services.
- Apr. 23** Submit **Report of Final Examination/Defense of Thesis (Pass/Fail)** form and **Thesis Approval Form** by 5:00 p.m. to the Graduate School.
- Apr. 30** Verify removal of incompletes and NR grades for graduation with graduation specialist.

For information concerning diplomas and transcripts, please contact the Office of the University Registrar at registrar@utk.edu or 865-974-2101.

For information about graduation steps, thesis and dissertation workshops and graduation forms, visit the Graduate School at gradschool.utk.edu.

Graduate Certificate

If you are also earning a graduate certificate in spring 2021, be sure to check the Graduate Certificate deadlines.

Second Deadline for Thesis Submission

Apr. 30—Last day to submit Second Deadline application.

Apr. 30—Last day to pass thesis defense. Scheduling of defense and all other procedures listed must be successfully completed before this date. A new graduation application must be submitted for summer graduation.

May 19—Second Thesis Deadline for students who cannot meet the regular fall deadline dates. If the thesis, approval sheet, and pass/fail form are submitted and accepted by 5:00 p.m. on this date, you may graduate spring 2021, but will not be required to register for thesis credit in summer 2021.

Financial Obligations

All financial obligations with the University of Tennessee must be paid before a diploma or transcript is issued.