

Thesis Deadlines

Academic Year 2025-2026

Dates in **bold** are hard deadlines
Others are recommended to help you meet the **Final Deadline***

Graduation Application Deadlines & Credit Requirements	FALL	WINTER	SPRING
	Dec 2025	Apr 2026	Jun 2026
You must be registered for Thesis 699R credits in the semester/term you publish your ETD	2 credits	2 credits	1 credit
Add/Drop Deadline	Sept 10	Jan 14	May 5

Verify your Ecclesiastical Endorsement and Honor Code Commitment are valid through your graduation date

Last Day to Apply for Graduation	October 15	January 23	May 4
To apply go to https://gradprogress.sim.byu.edu → Apply for Graduation			

Spring/Summer grads planning on attending Graduation Ceremonies should apply sooner than the last day

For Graduation info (cap & gown, Grad Fair, Commencement tickets, etc.): Apply by mid-February

To be listed on the College Commencement Program: Apply by **March 12** (Accepted by **March 17**)

Department Deadline to Accept Applications	October 29	January 30	May 15
Your application will not be accepted until you have made a grad plan with Genevieve Be sure to schedule an appointment with her before the last day			

Thesis Defense/ETD Recommended Schedule	FALL	WINTER	SPRING
Submit Thesis to Committee Chair 2 weeks before defense · In Grad Progress, send chair request to certify you are ready for defense	Nov 7	Mar 21	May 20
Submit Thesis to Committee 1 week before defense · In Grad Progress, send request to certify you are ready for defense	Nov 14	Mar 28	May 27
Schedule Defense - no less than 1 day before defense date · Committee must certify you are Ready for Defense to schedule it · Contact Genevieve TWO business days before to schedule it	Nov 21	Apr 3	June 2
· Hold a final oral exam (Recommended date) · Complete qualifications and work with Genevieve on thesis edits	Nov 22	Apr 4	June 3
· Submit thesis ETD for review and approvals on Grad Progress	Dec 5	Apr 11	June 10
· Last day to hold final oral exam (After requires an exception from Dept, Dean, & GS)	Dec 12	Apr 17	June 12
· Complete ETD edits and submit to the college level	Dec 17	Apr 21	June 17
Final Deadline* · Complete all requirements and Graduate Studies final ETD approval · Exit Interview completed before end of day	Dec 19	Apr 22	June 18

*If you miss the ETD Final deadlines, your graduation will be pushed to the next Semester or Spring Term

Official Graduation Date	Dec 19	Apr 23	June 18
· University Commencement (Marriott Center)	Thursday, April 23, 2025		
· College Convocation (WSC Ballroom)	April 23-24, 2025		

Because of scheduling complications and time constraints for the faculty, staff, and students, the department does **NOT** allow **Thesis** defense or graduation in **Summer** term.