

**DEADLINES FOR DOWNTOWN DENVER CAMPUS STUDENTS  
PLANNING TO GRADUATE DURING 2020-2021 ACADEMIC YEAR**

\*Deadlines may be extended as we continue to monitor COVID-19 developments.

LAST DAY TO:	DECEMBER 2020 FALL GRADUATION	MAY 2021 SPRING GRADUATION	AUGUST 2021 SUMMER GRADUATION
<i>MCJ &amp; CLAS Master's students only:</i> Submit <a href="#">Application for Admission to Candidacy</a> to the Graduate School.	September 2, 2020	February 3, 2021	June 15, 2021
Submit your <a href="#">Application for Graduation</a> (must be completed through your UCDAccess student portal) to notify the university of your intent to graduate this term.	September 2, 2020	February 3, 2021	June 15, 2021
Email your thesis/dissertation to Stephanie.Puello@ucdenver.edu for <b>format review</b> . Needs to be a PDF.	October 30, 2020	March 26, 2021	June 25, 2021
<i>All doctoral students and CLAS &amp; MCJ Master's students:</i> Submit <a href="#">Request for Examination</a> to the Graduate School for final examination.	2 weeks prior to exam <b>No later than: November 6, 2020</b>	2 weeks prior to exam <b>No later than: April 2, 2021</b>	2 weeks prior to exam <b>No later than: July 2, 2021</b>
<b>Take final Master's comprehensive exam; defend thesis, project, or report; defend dissertation. Thesis/dissertation students: Take thesis approval form to your defense.</b>	November 20, 2020	April 16, 2021	July 16, 2021
Submit <a href="#">Thesis Approval Form</a> (thesis/dissertation students only) to the Graduate School.	Prior to submission <b>No later than: November 27, 2020</b>	Prior to submission <b>No later than: April 23, 2021</b>	Prior to submission <b>No later than: July 23, 2021</b>
Submit <b>final thesis/dissertation</b> to <a href="#">ProQuest</a> .	November 27, 2020	April 23, 2021	July 23, 2021
Complete Exit Survey via emailed link	November 27, 2020	April 23, 2021	July 23, 2021
<b>END OF TERM</b>	December 12, 2020	May 15, 2021	December 11, 2021
<b>COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY</b>	December 12, 2020	May 15, 2021	December 11, 2021 (tentative)

**In case any of the posted deadlines are missed, the graduation will have to be postponed to the next semester. All forms should be submitted electronically to [Stephanie.Puello@ucdenver.edu](mailto:Stephanie.Puello@ucdenver.edu) and must be typed. The thesis approval form can be accepted electronically if submitted by a program director or administrator.**

**Students must be registered at the time they undertake the comprehensive and/or final examinations as well as during their thesis or dissertation defense.**

**Reminder to Thesis/Dissertation Candidates:**

- Your thesis/dissertation must comply with the [Format Guide upon submission](#) for format review.

**Reminders to Candidates:**

- Transfer credit requests must be approved by the program and submitted to the Graduate School *at least one semester* prior to when the student defends/graduates. Transfer credit requests that are submitted in the last semester **cannot** be listed on the Application to Candidacy and will not count toward graduation credits.
- To complete the application for candidacy, print a copy of your unofficial transcript or view your course history on UCDAccess and refer to it as you complete the form. Please **only** include courses that count directly toward your degree. Do not include any failed classes, any classes with a grade below a B-, withdrawn courses, or any classes you were enrolled in that are not required/permitted for your degree. The number of credits indicated on the first page of the Application for Candidacy Form (confirmed by your program) should be the minimum number of credits that are required for graduation, not the total of number of credits you have earned.