

DOCTORAL THESIS DEADLINES SUMMER 2026

Task		Deadline: To complete all requirements by end of Summer 2026
Note: recommended dates for tasks 1-6 are based on task 7 dates.		
1	Recommended date to confirm examiners and initiate Form 2.1D EE & UE , to allow sufficient time for signing by all members before due date, below.	May 19, 2026
2	Recommended date to ensure Form 2.1D EE & UE are signed and submitted to SGPS for approval. <i>(approximately 10 weeks before examination date)</i>	May 26, 2026
3	Recommended date to confirm examination committee and initiate Form 2.2D , to allow sufficient time for signing by all members before due date, below.	May 26, 2026 or once 2.1D forms are approved
4	Recommended date to ensure Form 2.2D is signed and submitted to SGPS for approval. <i>(approximately 9 weeks before examination date)</i>	June 2, 2026
5	Last recommended date for thesis to be sent out by SGPS. <i>(Policy 8.3b) states: at least 8 weeks before examination)</i>	June 9, 2026
6	Last day for external examiner and university examiner to submit Form 3 –Examiner’s Report to SGPS <i>(due 10 Calendar days before exam date)</i>	July 25, 2026
7	Last recommended date for oral examination to be able to complete revisions and degree in current term	August 4, 2026
8	As per the academic schedule : last day for student to submit final thesis package and Certificate of Approval to SGPS for Fall 2026 Convocation . Packages submitted after this date will be eligible for Spring 2027 Convocation.	August 18, 2026
9	Last day for student to submit final thesis package and Certificate of Approval to SGPS to avoid fees next term. Packages submitted after this date will incur fees for Fall 2026.	September 4, 2026

SGPS has created a [thesis defence calculator](#) that will populate the deadlines for you if your exam date is different from the last recommended day for oral examination in that term.