

# Doctoral Candidacy Exam and Master's Transfer DEADLINES 2025-2026

Please note that students transferring from a Master's to a doctoral program must strictly adhere to these deadlines, so that if successful, they can officially apply to the doctoral program for the next available term. More details on these processes can be found on the [Graduate Studies Website](#).

Task		Deadline: To complete all requirements by end of <b>Fall 2025</b>	Deadline: To complete all requirements by end of <b>Winter 2026</b>	Deadline: To complete all requirements by end of <b>Summer 2026</b>
Note: dates for tasks 1-2 are based on dates for task #3.				
	Last recommended date to <b>confirm candidacy committee</b> and <b>initiate Appointment of Doctoral Candidacy committee form</b> , to allow sufficient time for signing by all members before due date, below	October 27, 2025	March 4, 2026	June 30, 2026
1	Last recommended date to ensure Appointment of Doctoral Candidacy Committee form is <b>signed and submitted</b> to SGPS for approval. <i>(no less than 5 weeks before exam)</i>	November 3, 2025	March 11, 2026	July 7, 2026
2	Last recommended date for <b>student to submit thesis proposal to SGPS</b> for distribution to candidacy committee members. <i>(no less than 4 weeks before exam)</i>	November 10, 2025	March 18, 2026	July 14, 2026
3	<b>Last recommended date for oral examination</b> in current term.	December 8, 2025	April 15, 2026	August 11, 2026
4	Last day for submission of <b>Doctoral Candidacy Committee Decision</b> form to SGPS.	<b>December 15, 2025</b>	<b>April 22, 2026</b>	<b>August 18, 2026</b>