

Abbreviated Graduation Schemes Spring

Graduation

In January:

- Apply for Reduced Course Load (RCL)
- Register to graduate
- Apply for Optional Practical Training (OPT) (if applicable; for international students)
- Schedule a date for your defense

(1) If you **complete all requirements* by early April, you will:

- Graduate
- Walk in commencement ceremony
- Have your name in the program

(2) If you **complete all requirements* by 3 days before commencement, you will:

- Graduate
- Walk in commencement ceremony

(3) If you **complete all requirements* by the last day of grading, you will:

- Graduate

Summer/Fall Graduation

Early in the semester:

- Apply for Reduced Course Load (RCL)
- Register to graduate
- Apply for Optional Practical Training (OPT) (if applicable; for international students)
- Schedule a date for your defense

If you **complete all requirements* by the last day of grading, you will graduate. There is no commencement after the summer or fall semesters.

**Completing all requirements involves:*

Defend thesis/dissertation



Revise document

↓ *(may require several days or weeks)*

Submit document and signature page to Graduate Academic Advisor (GAA)

↓ *(**allow one week)*

Upload document to Vireo after GAA permission (by last day of grading)

**** Graduate Academic Advisor tasks**

Perform Turnitin analysis (plagiarism check)

Collect verification form from advisor

Get approval from Asst. Dean for Graduate Programs

Tell student to upload