



MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY™

THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

Graduate Calendar

Fall - 2024

All deadlines are at 12:00 midnight unless otherwise stated.

Date	Description
August 1	Deadline for Fall 2024 domestic applicants applying for Starkville and Meridian campuses.
August 1	Deadline for Fall 2024 domestic and international applicants applying for Online degree programs.
August 12 – 15	Graduate Teaching Assistant Workshop and Classroom Certification.
August 21	Classes begin.
August 26 - October 18	Apply online via MyState for December 2024 degree - \$50 fee * *Graduate students must be currently enrolled to apply for graduation.
August 27	Last day to drop a course without a grade (5 th class day) 11:59 PM.
August 28	Last day to register or add a course (6 th class day) – 5:00 PM
September 2	Labor Day Holiday – no classes scheduled.
September 30	Deadline for TAGGS online application for July 1 – December 31 st travel period. *
September 8 - 14	Graduate Student Welcome Week.
October 1	Deadline for Spring 2025 international applicants applying for Distance Unclassified or domestic Unclassified applicants applying for all campuses.
October 5	Fall Graduate Student Research Symposium.
October 10 - 11	Fall Break – No classes scheduled.
October 14	Last day to drop a course with a “W” grade (36 th class day) – 5:00 p.m..
October 18	Last day for thesis/dissertation defense for December graduation.
October 18	Last day to apply online via MyState for December graduation; \$50 fee. * *Graduate students must be currently enrolled to apply for graduation.
October 19 – November 26	Late online application for December graduation via MyState; \$50 fee plus \$100 late fee.* *Graduate students must be currently enrolled to apply for graduation.
November 1	Last day for initial submission of thesis/dissertation to the Library for December graduation.
November 4 – 15	Pre-registration period for spring semester.
November 13 - 14	3 Minute Thesis (3MT) Competition.
November 15	Last day to withdraw from semester (ten days of classes remaining).
November 26	Deadline to apply for December 2024 degree via MyState - \$50 fee plus \$100 late fee *Graduate students must be currently enrolled to apply for graduation.
November 27 - 29	Thanksgiving Holiday – no classes scheduled; University offices closed.
December 1	Deadline for Spring 2025 domestic and international applicants applying for Online degree programs.
December 1	Deadline for Spring 2025 domestic applicants applying for Starkville and Meridian campuses.



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December 2	Classes resume.
December 3	Classes end.
December 3	Deadline for graduate students receiving incomplete grades in previous semester to submit coursework.
December 4	Reading Day (No mandatory class assignments, requirements, meetings)
December 5	Final examinations (December 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 12)
December 6	Last day to submit Library-approved thesis/dissertation to the Library for December graduation.
December 7	Make-Up Day (if needed).
December 12	Last day for non-thesis comprehensive exam for December graduation.
December 12	Doctoral Graduation and Hooding Ceremony (Ph.D. & Ed.D.) - 4:00 p.m. (Bettersworth Auditorium, Lee Hall)
December 13	Last day for December 2024 degree applicants to pay account balance 3:00 PM
December 13	Starkville Campus Commencement – 9:30 a.m. (Humphrey Coliseum) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Academic Affairs • College of Architecture, Art & Design • College of Arts & Sciences • College of Education • College of Professional & Continuing Studies
December 13	Starkville Campus Commencement – 3:30 p.m. (Humphrey Coliseum) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bagley College of Engineering • College of Agriculture & Life Sciences • College of Business • College of Forest Resources • College of Veterinary Medicine
December 16	Final grades due 10:00 AM
December 20	Deadline to pass thesis/dissertation defense after all other requirements are met except thesis/dissertation submission to Library, allowing student to enroll in GRD 9011 in Spring semester and apply for May graduation – 10:00 a.m..
December 23 - January 1	Winter Holidays – no classes scheduled; university offices closed.

***Drop** – If you are choosing to drop one or more classes from a specific *term while still staying enrolled in at least one course. Dropping a course will result in a grade of “W” and tuition plus additional fees will be charged.

***Withdrawal** – If you are enrolled in a course/courses as of the first day of the *term and you decide not to attend, you are withdrawing from the term. A withdrawal will result in a grade of “W” and a percentage, if not all, tuition will be owed depending on the effective withdrawal date.

***Term** – Please be aware there are several parts of term for the summer. Maymester, 1st 5 week, 2nd 5 week and the 10 week term are each considered individual terms.