



Clark Atlanta University Graduate Education

Thesis and Dissertation Submission Deadlines 2025-2026 Academic Year

Graduate students who plan to complete degree requirements for the Fall 2025 semester, Spring 2026 semester, or Summer 2026 term must adhere to the following submission deadlines:

Submission Deadlines by Level	Thesis/Dissertation Submitted to:	Degree Completion/ Graduation Date
August 20, 2025 through September 29, 2025*	Committee Chair/Committee Members and Department Chair for Reviews and Signatures	Fall/December 2025 Graduation
October 6, 2025*	School Dean for Review and Signature	Fall/December 2025 Graduation
October 20, 2025	Graduate Education for Review	Fall/December 2025 Graduation
October 9, 2025 through December 12, 2025*	Committee Chair/Committee Members and Department Chair for Reviews and Signatures	Spring/May 2026 Graduation
February 23, 2026*	School Dean for Review and Signature	Spring/May 2026 Graduation
March 9, 2026	Graduate Education for Review	Spring/May 2026 Graduation
March 16, 2026 through May 8, 2026*	Committee Chair/Committee Members and Department Chair for Reviews and Signatures	Summer/August 2026 Graduation
May 25, 2026*	School Dean for Review and Signature	Summer/August 2026 Graduation
June 8, 2026	Graduate Education for Review	Summer/August 2026 Graduation

*Asterisks denote recommended department and school deadlines for timely completions.

Note: **Defenses should be scheduled prior to the committee's submission deadline.** The signed Transmittal Form must be received in Graduate Education (sent from the School Dean/designee) prior to the student being permitted to submit the thesis/dissertation for review. Submitters will be notified to upload the approved thesis or dissertation via their CAU student email. **Graduate students are required to attend submission-related workshops and trainings.**

Graduate students must be enrolled for a minimum of one (1) credit hour during the semester/term of degree completion (Thesis Consultation or Dissertation Consultation, Thesis Research or Dissertation Research). *International students may have different requirements. See Department/ International Programs for specifics.* **Graduate Education Review Deadlines are FIRM.**