

UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER – SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND DENTISTRY

2014-15 GRADUATE PROGRAMS ACADEMIC CALENDAR

SUMMER 2014 SEMESTER	
<b>July</b>	
1	Course registration opens for matriculated students for the Fall 2014 semester.
4	The University is closed in observance of Independence Day.
31	Course registration deadline for matriculated students for the Fall 2014 semester. <i>Registration will be processed after this date <u>after</u> payment of a \$150 late registration fee is made to the Bursar.</i>
<b>August</b>	
4	Course registration opens for non-matriculated students for the Fall 2014 semester.
8	Summer sessions end.
15	<b>Deadline to submit final results for terminal MA/MPH/MS degrees to fulfil requirements for October 2014 degree conferral <i>without registering for the Fall 2014 semester.</i></b>
15	Grading deadline for the Summer 2014 semester.
22	<b>Last day to register a PhD thesis in the October 2014 degree conferral period.</b>
25	SMD Orientation Program for new graduate students.
29	Registration deadline for new matriculated students and non-matriculated students for the Fall 2014 semester. <i>Registration will be processed after this date <u>after</u> payment of a \$150 late registration fee is made to the Bursar.</i>
31	<b>Deadline to submit final PhD thesis to ProQuest to fulfil requirements for October 2014 degree conferral <i>without registering for the Fall 2014 semester.</i></b>
<b>FALL 2014 SEMESTER</b>	
<b>September</b>	
1	The University is closed in observance of Labor Day.
2	Fall 2014 semester begins.
12	<b>Last day to hold a PhD defense in the October 2014 degree conferral period.</b>
19	<b>Deadline to submit final PhD thesis to ProQuest to fulfil requirements for October 2014 degree conferral.</b>
19	<b>Deadline to submit final results for qualifying exams and terminal MA/MPH/MS degrees to fulfil requirements for October 2014 degree conferral.</b>
30	Add/Drop/Audit deadline. <b>Classes added after this date will require a petition to the Dean.</b> <i>Approved petitions will be processed after payment of a \$150 late registration fee is made to the Bursar. Classes <b>dropped</b> after this deadline will be reflected on the official transcript with a <b>W</b> grade.</i>
<b>October</b>	
17	<b>October 2014 degree conferral date.</b>
<b>November</b>	
3	Course registration opens for matriculated students for the Spring 2015 semester.
27-28	The University is closed in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.
30	Course registration deadline for matriculated students for the Spring 2015 semester. <i>Registration will be processed after this date <u>after</u> payment of a \$150 late registration fee is made to the Bursar.</i>
<b>December</b>	
1	Course registration opens for new matriculated students and non-matriculated students for the Spring 2015 semester.
5	Course withdrawal deadline. <i>Withdrawal requests received after this date will receive a</i>

	<i>failing grade (E).</i>
12	Last day of classes for the Fall 2014 semester.
15-19	Final examinations.
22	Grading deadline for the Fall 2014 semester.
22-Jan 2	<b>Blackout period - no dissertations may be registered or defenses held during this time period. Defenses to be held Jan 5-9 must be registered by December 12, 2014.</b>
25	The University is closed in observance of the Christmas holiday.
<b>SPRING 2015 SEMESTER</b>	
<b>January</b>	
1	The University is closed in observance of New Year's Day.
5	Registration deadline for new matriculated students and non-matriculated students for the Spring 2015 semester. <i>Registration will be processed after this date <u>after</u> payment of a \$150 late registration fee is made to the Bursar.</i>
7	<b>Deadline to submit final results for terminal MA/MPH/MS degrees to fulfil requirements for March 2015 degree conferral <i>without registering for the Spring 2015 semester.</i></b>
13	<b>Deadline to submit final PhD thesis to ProQuest to fulfil requirements for March 2015 degree conferral <i>without registering for the Spring 2015 semester.</i></b>
14	Spring semester begins.
19	No classes in observance of Martin Luther King Day.
<b>February</b>	
5	<b>Last day to register a PhD thesis in the March 2015 degree conferral period.</b>
11	Add/Drop/Audit deadline. <b>Classes added after this date will require a petition to the Dean.</b> <i>Approved petitions will be processed after payment of a \$150 late registration fee is made to the Bursar. Classes <b>dropped</b> after this deadline will be reflected on the official transcript with a <b>W</b> grade.</i>
14	<b>Deadline to submit results of qualifying exams and terminal MA/MPH/MS degrees to fulfil requirements for March 2015 degree conferral.</b>
25	<b>Last day to hold a PhD defense during the March degree conferral period.</b>
<b>March</b>	
4	<b>Deadline to submit final PhD thesis to ProQuest to fulfil requirements for March 2015 degree conferral.</b>
9-13	No classes. <i>This is not a semester break for SMD PhD students.</i>
20	<b>Deadline to register a PhD thesis in the May 2015 degree conferral period.</b>
27	<b>March 2015 degree conferral date.</b>
<b>April</b>	
1	Course registration opens for matriculated students and non-matriculated students for the Summer 2015 semester.
17	<b>Deadline to submit final PhD thesis to ProQuest to fulfil requirements for May 2015 degree conferral.</b>
17	<b>Deadline to submit final results for qualifying exams and terminal MA/MPH/MS degrees to fulfil requirements for May 2015 degree conferral.</b>
14-May 1	<b>Blackout Period – defenses may not be registered during this time period.</b>
22	Course withdrawal deadline. <i>Withdrawal requests received after this date will receive a failing grade (E).</i>
29	Last day of classes for Spring 2015 semester.
30-May 3	Reading period.
2	Registration deadline for matriculated and non-matriculated students for the Summer 2015 semester. <i>Registration will be processed after this date after payment of a \$150 late registration fee is made to the Bursar.</i>

4-10	Final examinations.
11	Grading deadline for the Spring 2015 semester.
15	SMD Doctoral Commencement Dinner and Awards Ceremony.
15	<b>May 2015 degree conferral date.</b>
16	University Doctoral Degree Commencement.
16	SMD Master's Degree Commencement.
<b>SUMMER 2015 SEMESTER</b>	
<b>May</b>	
18	Summer semester begins. Check with course instructor for session start and end dates.
25	The University is closed in observance of Memorial Day.
<b>July</b>	
1	Registration opens for matriculated graduate students for the Fall 2015 semester.
3	The University is closed in observance of Independence Day.
31	Registration deadline for matriculated students for the Fall 2015 semester. <i>Registration will be processed after this date <u>after</u> payment of a \$150 late registration fee is made to the Bursar.</i>
<b>August</b>	
3	Registration opens for non-matriculated students for the Fall 2015 semester.
11	<b>Deadline to submit final results for terminal MA/MPH/MS degrees to fulfil requirements for October 2015 degree conferral <i>without registering for the Fall 2015 semester.</i></b>
11	Summer sessions end.
18	Grading deadline for the Summer 2015 semester.
TBA	International Student Orientation Program.
TBA	Orientation Program for new graduate students.
TBA	Registration deadline for new graduate students admitted for the Fall 2015 semester. Registration will be processed after this date <i>after</i> payment of a \$150 late registration fee is made to the Bursar.
28	<b>Deadline to submit the final copy of the PhD dissertation to ProQuest for the October 2015 degree <i>without registering for the Fall 2015 semester.</i></b>
28	Registration deadline for non-matriculated students for the Fall 2015 semester. <i>Registration will be processed after this date <u>after</u> payment of a \$150 late registration fee is made to the Bursar.</i>
31	Fall 2015 semester begins.

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**Questions regarding the calendar should be directed to the Registrar, Office for Graduate Education and Postdoctoral Affairs, 585-275-4522.**

**Paperwork Submission for the  
PhD Qualifying Examination and  
Master's Defense (Final Oral Examination)**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Due Date</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Notice to your Program Office of scheduled qualifying exam or defense date.	Check your graduate program handbook for specific requirements regarding qualifying examination and defense paperwork and deadlines.	Review the Academic Calendar before scheduling a qualifying exam or defense.
Submission of paperwork for Master's qualifying exams and final defenses to the Dean. ( <i>Paperwork is submitted by the graduate program coordinator.</i> )	At least 10 full working days prior to the qualifying exam or defense date.	Review the Academic Calendar before scheduling a qualifying exam or defense.
Completion of modifications to the thesis proposal <u>after</u> the qualifying exam.	The School allows <u>14 calendar days</u> after the qualifying examination for modifications to be made. However, if additional time is recommended by the examination committee, the Chair of the exam would seek an extension from the Dean.	This applies <b>only</b> if " <b>passed pending modifications</b> " is the outcome of the qualifying exam.
Submission of final copy of Master's thesis after defense.	The School allows 30 calendar days after the defense date for submission. <i>However, defenses scheduled later in the semester will be subject to a deadline date that may be shorter than 30 days.</i>	See the Academic Calendar for specific deadline dates.

**PhD Defense (Final Oral Examination)**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Due Date</b>	
Notice to Program Office of scheduled defense date.	Check your graduate program handbook for specific requirements regarding required paperwork and deadlines.	Review the Academic Calendar before scheduling a defense.
Submission of paperwork for PhD defense to the Dean. ( <i>Paperwork is submitted by the graduate student at the time of thesis registration.</i> )	At least <b>10 full working days</b> prior to the defense.	
Registration of thesis for PhD defense.	At least <b>10 full working days</b> must elapse <i>between</i> the registration date and the actual date of defense.	
Submission of final copy of thesis after defense to ProQuest.	The School allows 30 calendar days after the defense date for submission. <i>However, defenses scheduled later in the semester will be subject to a deadline date that may be shorter than 30 days.</i>	See the Academic Calendar for specific deadline dates.