

Computer Science MS/PhD Theses and Dissertations Proposal and Defense

Deadline: Deadlines for MS/PhD Theses and Dissertations

INITIAL SUBMISSIONS:

By 11:59 PM (EST/EDT) on the dates below, you must submit a copy of your defended and revised thesis/dissertation, approved in full for content by your program, to the Office of Graduate Studies (OGS) via the [UMass Boston/ProQuest/UMI ETD](#) website.

August 1	for an August degree date (Master's Degree only)
December 1	for a December degree date
April 10	for a May degree date

MS STUDENTS:

- Students who pursue MS Thesis (CS699) must find a CS Faculty member to be their MS Thesis advisor.
- Instead of taking the Capstone Requirement: CS680, CS681, and CS682. Students will replace these courses and take CS696 Independent Study (Start of MS Thesis Project), MS Thesis CS699 (End of MS Thesis Project and then Defend) and 1 Applied Elective. to complete the course and credit requirement.
- To complete the course requirement: 2 Theory elective, 6 Applied elective, 1 CS696, 1 CS699.
- CS696 must be taken before CS699 MS Thesis. MS Thesis will be taken in the final semester.
- Students will need to defend in their last semester before deadline.
 - They must meet with their MS thesis advisor to discuss date and time to defend.
 - Once a date and time has been established, students [must fill out the event form to make a request for a room and food](#). Also, follow flyer distribution instructions.
 - The office staff must be informed 2-3 weeks in advance as they have to look for a room and order food for your event.

PHD STUDENT:

- After passing the Qualifying Exam, PhD students will need to form a committee and view the [Graduate Studies policies](#).
- Students will need to defend before semester deadline and can only defend in Spring or Fall, not summer.
 - They must meet with their Dissertation advisor to discuss date and time to defend.
 - Once a date and time has been established, students [must fill out the event form to make a request for a room and food](#). Also, follow flyer distribution instructions.
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