## **FALL SEMESTER 2017**

NOTE: Failure to meet deadlines may result in the postponement of receipt of the degree.

\*These dates are subject to change.

**Degree plans** should be **approved** by our office at least **90 working days** prior to submission of the Request and Announcement of the Final Examination.

#### MASTER'S - NON-THESIS OPTION

	Friday	
July 7	Friday	Last day for degree plan to be received by the Office of Graduate and Professional Studies if graduating in Fall 2017.
August 16	Wednesday	First day to apply for degrees to be awarded in December 2017.
August 25	Friday	Last day to register for Fall semester classes. Refer to <a href="http://finance.tamu.edu/sbs">http://finance.tamu.edu/sbs</a> for tuition and fee
		dates.
August 30	Wednesday	First day of Fall semester classes.
September 1	Friday	Last day to CLEAR for Summer 2017 graduation. (Applies <b>ONLY</b> to those students not clearing final audit on degree audit night.)
September 5	Tuesday	Last day for adding/dropping courses for the Fall semester by 5:00 p.m.
September 29	Friday	LAST DAY TO APPLY FOR DEGREES TO BE AWARDED IN DECEMBER BY 5:00PM without a late fee. A
		diploma fee of \$47.50 must be paid either at registration or at Student Business Services (GSC).
		Complete the application for degree form via the Howdy Portal. A LATE CHARGE OF \$50.00 WILL BE
		ASSESSED TO STUDENTS WHO APPLY FOR GRADUATION AFTER 09-29-17.
September 29	Friday	Last day for MS students to change degree to M.Eng. or M.C.S. and still graduate in December 2017.
October 27	Friday	Last day to submit "Request and Announcement of the Final Examination" or 10 working days prior
		to the examination, whichever comes first to the Office of Graduate and Professional Studies.
November 10	Friday	Last day to submit "Request for Exemption from Final Examination" for students in M.Eng. or M.Ed. in EPSY.
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November 10	Friday	Last day to take final examination.
November 17	Friday	Last day for <u>all</u> students to drop courses with no penalty (Q-drop). Last day to officially withdraw from the University.
December 6	Wednesday	Last day to apply for graduation

### MASTER'S - THESIS OPTION

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June 2	Friday	Last day for degree plan to be received by the Office of Graduate and Professional Studies if graduating in December 2017.
July 26	Wednesday	Electronic Thesis/Dissertation System Re-Opens for December 2017 degree candidates.
August 16	Wednesday	First day to apply for degrees to be awarded in December 2017.
August 16	Wednesday	First day students are able to clear thesis for Fall graduation.
August 25	Friday	Last day to register for Fall semester classes. Refer to <a href="http://finance.tamu.edu/sbs">http://finance.tamu.edu/sbs</a> for tuition and fee dates.
August 30	Wednesday	First day of Fall semester classes.
September 1	Friday	Last day to CLEAR for Summer 2017 graduation. (Applies <b>ONLY</b> to those students not clearing final audit on degree audit night.)
September 5	Tuesday	Last day to clear thesis by 5:00 p.m. to avoid registration in Fall 2017 semester.
September 5	Tuesday	Last day for adding/dropping courses for the Fall semester by 5:00 p.m.
September 8	Friday	Last day to submit thesis research proposal.
September 29	Friday	LAST DAY TO APPLY FOR DEGREES TO BE AWARDED IN DECEMBER BY 5:00PM without a late fee. A diploma fee of \$47.50 must be paid either at registration or at Student Business Services (GSC). Complete the application for degree form via the Howdy Portal. A LATE CHARGE OF \$50.00 WILL BE ASSESSED TO STUDENTS WHO APPLY FOR GRADUATION AFTER 09-29-17.
September 29	Friday	Last day for MS students to change degree to M.Eng. or M.C.S. and still graduate in December 2017.
October 6	Friday	Last day to submit "Request and Announcement of the Final Examination" or 10 working days prior to the examination, whichever comes first to the Office of Graduate and Professional Studies.
October 6	Friday	Last day to submit "Request for Exemption from Final Examination"

<sup>†</sup>Note: Meeting Thesis Office deadlines does not guarantee, but merely maintains, eligibility for graduation/clearance in a certain time frame.

October 20	Friday	Last day to take final exam (defend thesis)
October 27	Friday	Last day to submit a signed approval form and a PDF file of the thesis in final form by 5:00 p.m. The signed approval form is submitted to OGAPS. The PDF file must be submitted via the web to
		http://thesis.tamu.edu+.
November 17	Friday	Last day for <u>all</u> students to drop courses with no penalty (Q-drop). Last day to officially withdraw from the University.
December 6	Wednesday	Last day to apply for graduation

#### **DOCTORAL DEGREES**

Preliminary examination results must be received and approved by the Office of Graduate and Professional Studies prior to submitting the "Request and Announcement of the Final Examination".

		submitting the Request and Announcement of the Final Examination.
June 2	Friday	Last day for degree plan to be received by the Office of Graduate and Professional Studies if graduating in December 2017.
July 26	Wednesday	Electronic Thesis/Dissertation System Re-Opens for December 2017 degree candidates.
August 16	Wednesday	First day to apply for degrees to be awarded in December 2017.
August 16	Wednesday	First day students are able to clear dissertation for Fall graduation.
August 25	Friday	Last day to register for Fall semester classes. Refer to <a href="http://finance.tamu.edu/sbs">http://finance.tamu.edu/sbs</a> for tuition and fee dates.
August 30	Wednesday	First day of Fall semester classes.
September 1	Friday	Last day to CLEAR for Summer 2017 graduation. (Applies <b>ONLY</b> to those students not clearing final audit on degree audit night.)
September 5	Tuesday	Last day to clear thesis by 5:00 p.m. to avoid registration in Fall 2017 semester.
September 5	Tuesday	Last day for adding/dropping courses for the Fall semester by 5:00 p.m.
September 29	Friday	LAST DAY TO APPLY FOR DEGREES TO BE AWARDED IN DECEMBER BY 5:00PM without a late fee. A diploma fee of \$47.50 must be paid either at registration or at Student Business Services (GSC). Complete the application for degree form via the Howdy Portal. A LATE CHARGE OF \$50.00 WILL BE ASSESSED TO STUDENTS WHO APPLY FOR GRADUATION AFTER 09-29-17.
October 6	Friday	Last day to submit "Request and Announcement of the Final Examination" or 10 working days prior to the examination, whichever comes first to the Office of Graduate and Professional Studies.
October 20	Friday	Last day to take final exam. (defend dissertation or record of study)
October 27	Friday	Last day to submit a signed approval form and PDF of the dissertation in final form by 5:00 p.m. Signed approval form is submitted to OGAPS. The PDF file must be submitted via the web to <a href="http://thesis.tamu.edu">http://thesis.tamu.edu</a> .
November 17	Friday	Last day for <u>all</u> students to drop courses with no penalty (Q-drop). Last day to officially withdraw from the University.
December 6	Wednesday	Last day to apply for graduation

## Additional Deadlines for Degrees to be Conferred in December 2017

November 3	Friday	Last day to submit petitions to change degree plan coursework for students in master's programs
		without a final examination requirement: MAB, MBA, MMR, MIA, MID, MPSA, MRE, MS programs in
		the Mays Business School, and MS programs in EHRD – HRD option.
January 19, 2018 Friday		Last day to CLEAR for Fall 2017 graduation. (Applies ONLY to those students not clearing final audit
		on degree audit night.)

## **CLEARANCE FOR ALL DECEMBER 2017 DEGREE CANDIDATES**

December 14	Thursday	Academic Degree Evaluations conducted <i>after</i> 5:00 p.m.
December 15	Friday	Academic Degree Evaluation results available.

# **COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES**

December 15-16 Fri-Sat Commencement (additional information available at <a href="http://graduation.tamu.edu">http://graduation.tamu.edu</a>)

For relevant forms and processes, click on the following link:

http://ogaps.tamu.edu

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