

### MSE Graduate Deadlines 2025-2026

Fall 2025	Spring 2026	Summer 2026	For both non-thesis-option thesis-option master students
6/1/2025	11/1/2025	2/1/2026	<b>Apply for graduation</b> <a href="https://www.pfw.edu/registrar/graduation">https://www.pfw.edu/registrar/graduation</a>
8/24/2025	1/11/2026	5/17/2026	<b>Electronic Plan of Study</b> (under Purdue Graduate School Database, initiated by student, due 11:59 pm, Sunday)  <b>IMPORTANT:</b> The plan of study must be submitted by the student, signed by all advisory committee members and all appropriate departmental staff, and is awaiting only Graduate School processing by 11:59 p.m. on this date.

#### For thesis-option master students only

Fall 2025	Spring 2026	Summer 2026	
Three weeks prior to proposed date of defense			<b>Form 8 - Request for Appointment of Examining Committee</b> (under Purdue Graduate School Database, initiated by student)
Two weeks prior to proposed date of defense			Final version of thesis to Examining Committee
11/7/2025	3/27/2026	6/26/2026	<b>Thesis Format Review</b> Please email <a href="mailto:thesishelp@purdue.edu">thesishelp@purdue.edu</a> and schedule a format review.
12/3/2025	4/22/2026	7/22/2026	<b>Thesis defense</b> and <b>Form 7 - Report of Master's Examining Committee</b> (generated automatically after Form 8 is approved under Purdue Graduate School Database, approval initiated by committee chair, due 5:00 pm, Wednesday)  <b>IMPORTANT:</b> If the examining committee approves of the student passing the final examination, the report form reflecting satisfactory results must be signed by all examining committee members and department representatives by 5:00 pm.

12/10/2025	4/29/2026	7/29/2026	<p><b>Form 9 – Electronic Thesis Acceptance Form</b> and <b>thesis deposit</b> (under Purdue Graduate School Database, initiated by student, due 5:00pm, Wednesday)</p> <p><b>Thesis Deposit Fee</b>, \$90.00 (pay to PFW’s Bursar’s Office)</p> <p><b>IMPORTANT:</b> As part of the deposit process, students are required to submit and obtain full approval on Form 9, and complete the required Graduate School survey(s), including the Exit Questionnaire. A finalized version of the thesis must be submitted at least 24 hours before the Deposit Deadline to Hammer Research Repository (HammerRR) to allow thesis office staff adequate time to review the submission.</p> <p>Thesis-option master's and doctoral students who miss this deadline but who still wish to graduate must submit a request (Form 14) for a deposit extension (endorsed by major professor and department head) to the Graduate School, for consideration. If approved, the student should expect to pay a Late Graduation Deadline Fee of \$200.</p>
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Thesis Format	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please put “Dr. Chao Chen” as the Form 9 Thesis Form Head Name after “Approved by” on the 2nd page of the thesis.</li> <li>• Vita is optional.</li> </ul>
Thesis and Dissertation Office	<a href="https://www.purdue.edu/academics/ogsps/research/thesis/index.html">https://www.purdue.edu/academics/ogsps/research/thesis/index.html</a>
Deposit Requirements	<a href="https://www.purdue.edu/academics/ogsps/research/thesis/requirements.html">https://www.purdue.edu/academics/ogsps/research/thesis/requirements.html</a>
Thesis Templates	<a href="https://www.purdue.edu/academics/ogsps/research/thesis/templates.html">https://www.purdue.edu/academics/ogsps/research/thesis/templates.html</a>
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