

Graduate Calendar 2020 - Fall Term

All deadlines are at 12:00 midnight unless otherwise stated.

Date	Description
August 1	Deadline for Fall 2020 domestic applicants applying for degree programs on Starkville or Meridian campus.
August 1	Last day for Fall 2020 domestic and international applicants applying for Distance degree programs.
August 12-13	Graduate Teaching Assistant Workshop and Classroom Certification.
August 17	Deadline for Fall 2020 international applicants applying for Distance Unclassified or domestic applicants applying for all campuses.
August 17	Classes begin.
August 21	Last day to drop a course without a grade (5 th class day).
August 24 – October 23	Apply online via myState for December graduation; \$50 fee.
August 24	Last day to register or add a course (6 th class day) – 8:00 a.m.
September 7	Labor Day Holiday – no classes scheduled.
September 18	Discovery Day. *
October 1	Deadline for Spring 2021 international applicants applying to degree programs or Unclassified on Starkville or Meridian campus.
October 1 – February 8	TAGGS online application for January 1 – June 30, 2021 travel period.
October 6	Last day to drop a course with a “W” grade (36 th class day) – 5:00 p.m.
October 6	Mid-point of semester.
October 10	Fall Research Symposium. *
October 16	Last day for thesis/dissertation defense for December graduation.
October 16	McNair Scholars Day. *
October 23	Last day to apply online via myState for December graduation; \$50 fee.
October 24 – November 16	Late online application for December graduation via myState; \$50 fee plus \$100 late fee.
October 30	Last day for initial submission of thesis/dissertation to the Library for December graduation.
November 2 – 13	Spring pre-registration.
November 3	Last day to withdraw from the University (10 days of class remaining).
November 12 – 13	3 Minute Thesis (3MT) Competition. *
November 16	Last day to apply online via myState for December graduation; \$50 fee plus \$100 late fee.
November 16	Classes end.
November 17	Discovery Day. *
November 17	Reading Day.
November 18 – 20	Final examinations.

November 20	Last day to submit Library-approved thesis/dissertation to the Library for December graduation.
November 21	Make-Up Day.
November 23 – 24	Final examinations.
November 25	Last day for non-thesis comprehensive exam for December graduation.
November 25	Last day for December 2020 degree applicants to pay account balance – 3:00 p.m.
November 25	<u>Starkville Campus Commencement</u> : Check back for details.
November 26 - 27	Thanksgiving Holiday – no classes scheduled.
December 1	<u>MSU-Meridian Commencement</u> : MSU Riley Center
December 1	Last day for Spring 2021 domestic applicants applying for degree programs on Starkville or Meridian campus.
December 1	Final grades due 10:00 a.m.
December 1	Deadline for Spring 2021 domestic and international applicants applying for Distance program.
December 18	Deadline to pass thesis/dissertation defense after all other requirements are met except thesis/dissertation submission to Library, allowing student to enroll in GRD 9011 in Spring semester and apply for May graduation – 10:00 a.m.
December 23 – January 1	Winter Holidays – no classes scheduled.

** Due to COVID-19, these events may be cancelled, rescheduled or hosted online at the University's discretion.*