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| **Ph.D. Degree Completion Timeline – Fall 2025** | |
| **Due Dates** | **Graduate School Requirements**   * [Graduate School Forms](https://www.marquette.edu/grad/forms.php) (page contains all forms referenced below) * [Academic Calendar](https://www.marquette.edu/central/registrar/2025-fall-academic-calendar.php)  (contains all deadlines) |
| **10/01/2025** | **Important!! October 1, 2025**  **DEADLINE TO APPLY FOR GRADUATION (DEGREE CONFERRAL)**  [How Do I Apply For Graduation?](https://www.marquette.edu/central/registrar/how-do-i-apply-for-graduation.php)  [Graduation Instructions](https://www.marquette.edu/grad/graduation-instructions.php) |
| **10/10/2025** | Outline/Proposal for Dissertation (form) |
| **10/20/2025** | Announcement of Public Defense of Dissertation (form)  *Due with all committee signoffs at least two weeks prior to defense date. Initiate this form well in advance of the two-week deadline.* |
| **11/10/2025** | Dissertation Defense Deadline |
| **12/01/2025** | [Dissertation submission through ProQuest](https://www.marquette.edu/grad/electronic-thesis-dissertation.php) with Graduate School approval  Dissertation Approval Form (form)  Publishing Through *e-Publications@Marquette* (form)  Survey of Earned Doctorates (via link on forms page)  *This is the deadline by which all submission items must be received by the Graduate School. Students are strongly encouraged to start the submission process at least a week prior to the deadline.* |
|  | 2026 Commencement is scheduled for Saturday, May 9 or Sunday, May 10, 2026. The full schedule will be released in early-2026. |
| **01/09/2026** | Degree Conferral Date |
| **Please see** [**Academic Calendar**](https://www.marquette.edu/central/registrar/2025-fall-academic-calendar.php) | Transcripts available with degree information.  Students are encouraged to monitor their @marquette.edu email address for notification of degree postings. |
|  | Digital diploma email notification released to a graduate’s @marquette.edu email account one week after final grades are posted. Paper diplomas will be shipped directly to a graduate’s diploma mailing address 30 days after final grades are posted. |

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| **Master’s Degree Completion Timeline – Fall 2025** | |
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| **10/01/2025** | **Important!! October 1, 2025**  **DEADLINE TO APPLY FOR GRADUATION (DEGREE CONFERRAL)**  [How Do I Apply For Graduation?](https://www.marquette.edu/central/registrar/how-do-i-apply-for-graduation.php)  [Graduation Instructions](https://www.marquette.edu/grad/graduation-instructions.php) |
| **10/10/2025** | Outline for Thesis, Essay, Professional Project, or Publication deadline (form) |
| **11/10/2025** | Master’s Comprehensive Exam Report deadline (form) |
| **11/14/2025**  Thesis Option | [Thesis submission through ProQuest](https://www.marquette.edu/grad/electronic-thesis-dissertation.php) with Graduate School approval  Thesis/Essay/Professional Project/Publication Approval Form  Publishing Through *e-Publications@Marquette* (form)  *This is the deadline by which all submission items must be received by the Graduate School. Students are strongly encouraged to start the submission process at least a week prior to the deadline.* |
| **11/14/2025**  Non-thesis Options | Professional Project, Essay, Publication due date (form) |
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| **Certificate Degree Completion Timeline – Fall 2025** | |
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| **10/01/2025** | **Important!! October 1, 2025**  **DEADLINE TO APPLY FOR GRADUATION (DEGREE CONFERRAL)**  [How Do I Apply For Graduation?](https://www.marquette.edu/central/registrar/how-do-i-apply-for-graduation.php)  [Graduation Instructions](https://www.marquette.edu/grad/graduation-instructions.php) |
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