## 2020 Graduation Deadlines for Graduate Students

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<td>Graduation applications available</td>
<td>July 1, 2019</td>
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<td>Last day to apply for graduation!</td>
<td>February 4, 2020</td>
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<td>Incomplete and RP grades must be removed (except 799A)</td>
<td>August 19, 2020</td>
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<td>Doctoral dissertation submission and review deadlines</td>
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### Master's Plan A (Thesis) and EdD (Dissertation)

1. **Thesis/Dissertation Submission** **strict 3:45 PM deadline**
   - **Summer 2020**: June 26, 2020
   - **Fall 2020**: October 28, 2020

2. **Thesis/Dissertation Publication** **strict 3:45 PM deadline**
   - **Summer 2020**: August 19, 2020
   - **Fall 2020**: December 18, 2020

3. **Avoid reenrollment in 799B (Master’s) or 899 (EdD)** (strict 3:45PM deadline)
   - **Summer 2020**: August 26, 2020
   - **Fall 2020**: December 31, 2020

### Master's Plan B

- **Comprehensive exam results filed with Graduate Affairs**
  - **Summer 2020**: August 7, 2020
  - **Fall 2020**: December 10, 2020

### Deadlines definitions

1. **Thesis/EdD dissertation submission deadline**: Students who submit their thesis/dissertation by this day, before 3:45PM, are likely to meet their publication requirements for the current semester if formatting guidelines were followed closely. **This is a strict deadline.** If you elect to hire a freelance formatter or Montezuma Publishing to format your thesis, then the unformatted thesis must be submitted even earlier. Contact Montezuma Publishing for information about their formatting services.

2. **Strict publication deadline**: Theses/dissertations must be approved and the **$45 processing fee** must be paid before 3:45 PM on this day or the degree cannot be issued until the following semester. **This is a strict deadline.** The processing fee covers ProQuest submission, electronic files, and SDSU Library abstract.

3. **Avoid reenrollment in 799B (or 899) deadline**: Theses/dissertations submitted by this day before the time specified above will not require 799B (Master’s) or 899 (EdD) registration in the following semester, even if the degree cannot be issued until the following semester. **This is a strict deadline.**