

**BGSU GRADUATE COLLEGE**  
**DATES TO REMEMBER 2017-2018**

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**Summer Semester 2017**

Monday, January 9 .....Admission to Ph.D. candidacy (approval of dissertation topic)  
Wednesday, March 15 ..... Graduate application available online  
Monday, April 10 .....Approval of thesis topic  
Monday, June 5 .....Graduation application deadline – must be submitted online  
Friday, June 30.....Completed Thesis/Dissertation Defense and Manuscript Form including all signatures is due in the Graduate College by 5:00 p.m. Both sections of the form: Results of Final Exam and Manuscript Approval need to be fully completed.  
Friday, July 7 .....Upload of approved, final copy of master’s thesis/doctoral dissertation  
Friday, July 21 .....Results of the capstone experience for ALL Plan II master’s degrees must be received in the Office of Registration and Records by 5:00 p.m.  
Saturday, August 5.....Graduate College Commencement

**Fall Semester 2017**

Monday, May 22.....Admission to Ph.D. candidacy (approval of dissertation topic)  
Friday, July 7 .....Approval of thesis topic  
Saturday, July 15 ..... Graduate application available online  
Monday, September 18.....Graduation application deadline – must be submitted online  
Friday, November 10 .....Completed Thesis/Dissertation Defense and Manuscript Form, including all signatures, is due in the Graduate College by 5:00 p.m. Both sections of the form: Results of Final Exam and Manuscript Approval need to be fully completed.  
Friday, November 17 .....Upload of approved, final copy of master’s thesis/doctoral dissertation  
Friday, December 1 .....Results of the capstone experience for ALL Plan II master’s degrees must be received in the Office of Registration and Records by 5:00 p.m.  
Friday, December 15 .....Graduate College Commencement

**Spring Semester 2018**

Tuesday, October 10.....Admission to Ph.D. candidacy (approval of dissertation topic)  
Sunday, October 15 ..... Graduate application available online  
Monday, November 27.....Approval of thesis topic  
Monday, February 5 .....Graduation application deadline – must be submitted online  
Friday, March 30.....Completed Thesis/Dissertation Defense and Manuscript Form including all signatures is due in the Graduate College by 5:00 p.m. Both sections of the form: Results of Final Exam and Manuscript Approval need to be fully completed.  
Friday, April 6.....Upload of approved, final copy of master’s thesis/doctoral dissertation  
Friday, April 20.....Results of the capstone experience for ALL Plan II master’s degrees must be received in the Office of Registration and Records by 5:00 p.m.  
Friday, May 4 .....Graduate College Commencement

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**Summer Semester 2018**

- Monday, January 8 .....Admission to Ph.D. candidacy (approval of dissertation topic)
- Thursday, March 15 ..... Graduate application available online
- Monday, April 9 .....Approval of thesis topic
- Monday, June 11 .....Graduation application deadline – must be submitted on-line
- Friday, June 29.....Completed Thesis/Dissertation Defense and Manuscript Form including all signatures is due in the Graduate College by 5:00 p.m. Both sections of the form: Results of Final Exam and Manuscript Approval need to be fully completed.
- Friday, July 6 .....Upload of approved, final copy of master’s thesis/doctoral dissertation
- Friday, July 20 .....Results of the capstone experience for ALL Plan II master’s degrees must be received in the Office of Registration and Records by 5:00 p.m.
- Saturday, August 4.....Graduate College Commencement

**Fall Semester 2018**

- Monday, May 21.....Admission to Ph.D. candidacy (approval of dissertation topic)
- Friday, July 6 .....Approval of thesis topic
- Sunday, July 15 ..... Graduate application available online
- Monday, September 24.....Graduation application deadline – must be submitted on-line
- Friday, November 9 .....Completed Thesis/Dissertation Defense and Manuscript Form, including all signatures, is due in the Graduate College by 5:00 p.m. Both sections of the form: Results of Final Exam and Manuscript Approval need to be fully completed.
- Friday, November 16 .....Upload of approved, final copy of master’s thesis/doctoral dissertation
- Friday, November 30 .....Results of the capstone experience for ALL Plan II master’s degrees must be received in the Office of Registration and Records by 5:00 p.m.
- Friday, December 14 .....Graduate College Commencement

**Spring Semester 2019**

- Tuesday, October 9.....Admission to Ph.D. candidacy (approval of dissertation topic)
- Monday, October 15 ..... Graduate application available online
- Monday, November 26.....Approval of thesis topic
- Monday, February 25 .....Graduation application deadline – must be submitted on-line
- Friday, April 12.....Completed Thesis/Dissertation Defense and Manuscript Form including all signatures is due in the Graduate College by 5:00 p.m. Both sections of the form: Results of Final Exam and Manuscript Approval need to be fully completed.
- Friday, April 19.....Upload of approved, final copy of master’s thesis/doctoral dissertation
- Friday, May 3 .....Results of the capstone experience for ALL Plan II master’s degrees must be received in the Office of Registration and Records by 5:00 p.m.
- Friday, May 17 .....Graduate College Commencement

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