

Graduate Calendar 2019-2020

Office of Graduate Studies

See <http://www.registrar.ku.edu> for enrollment dates.

Please check with the Graduate Division of your professional school or the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences for the last date to schedule a master's final exam, a doctoral oral comprehensive exam, or a final doctoral oral exam for each semester or term. The deadlines below represent the final university deadlines and are subject to change. Professional schools or the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences may set earlier deadlines. Students are advised to consult with the appropriate school or College to confirm all deadlines. Academic calendar dates may be viewed at <http://www.registrar.ku.edu/calendar>.

Fall 2019

Classes Begin	August 26
Labor Day	September 2
Early Graduation Deadline¹	September 10
Fall Break	October 12-15
Thanksgiving Break	Nov. 27 - Dec. 1
Last Day of Classes	December 12
Final Examinations	December 16-20
Degree Requirements Deadline³	December 20
Doctoral Hooding Ceremony⁴	May 16
Degrees Awarded	December 31
Commencement⁵	May 17

Spring 2020

Classes Begin	January 21
Early Graduation Deadline¹	February 4
Application for Graduation Deadline²	March 1
Spring Break	March 9-15
Last Day of Classes	May 7
Final Examinations	May 11-15
Degree Requirements Deadline³	May 15
Doctoral Hooding Ceremony⁴	May 16
Degrees Awarded	May 17
Commencement⁵	May 17

Summer 2020

Classes Begin	June 2
Early Graduation Deadline¹	June 9
Last Day of Classes	July 24
Degree Requirements Deadline³	July 24
Doctoral Hooding Ceremony⁴	May 16
Degrees Awarded	August 1
Commencement⁵	May 16, 2021

Additional Information

1. A student who was enrolled the previous semester and submits all degree requirements by this date will have the degree conferred for this semester but is not required to enroll for this semester.
2. **Candidates for Spring and Summer degrees only:** Meeting this deadline will ensure the candidate is included on the mailing list for information about the Doctoral Hooding Ceremony and will ensure the student's name is included in the event program for the Ceremony.
3. This is the last day to submit **ALL** requirements for a degree to be conferred that semester. University degree requirements include:
 - (a) Electronic filing of thesis or dissertation (if applicable)
 - (b) Submission of paperwork to the Graduate Division of the appropriate professional school or the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences
 - (c) Submission of the Application for Graduation in Enroll & Pay.

Students should consult with their professional school or the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences for additional degree requirements.

4. All students who graduate during the 2019-2020 academic year (Summer and Fall 2019 or Spring 2020) are invited to attend the May 2020 Doctoral Hooding Ceremony. The Dean of Graduate Studies may invite Summer 2020 degree candidates to participate by special exception. Please visit <https://graduate.ku.edu/doctoral-hooding-ceremony> to find other important information about the Doctoral Hooding ceremony.
5. Information about KU commencement ceremonies is available at <http://www.commencement.ku.edu>.