

College of Global Studies (EURUS and MDS)

M.A. Thesis and Research Essays Submission Deadlines 2026-2027

If you have questions about meeting these deadlines, please consult with your supervisor or program director.

Steps:	Term		
	Fall 2026	Winter 2027	Summer 2027
1. Consult your supervisor about your timeline for completion and your writing schedule.	Sept	Jan.	May
2. Present draft chapters to your supervisor for comment and revision *** Students are responsible for communicating with their supervisors regarding their progress in researching and writing their research essays/theses. ***	Oct-Nov	Jan.- Feb/Mar.	May-June/July
3. Submit a FULL DRAFT of your research project to your supervisor for review (ca 3-4 weeks before university deadline)			
M.A. Thesis: <i>Your supervisor may require an earlier deadline.</i> Your supervisor must inform your Program Director that you are planning to defend and suggest committee members (chair, second reader, examiner).	Nov. 9	Mar. 11	June 25
M.A. Research Essay: <i>Your supervisor may require an earlier deadline.</i> Your supervisor must inform your Program Director that you are planning to complete your project this term and provide the name of the examiner.	Nov 9	Mar. 11	July 20
4. Apply to Graduate before the University Deadline	*Nov 30	*April 1	*August 31
5. Last Day to Submit EXAMINATION copy of research project to committee (you may, of course, submit earlier!).			
M.A. Thesis (university deadline). – Submit an electronic copy of your thesis to your program using Form B , link on your program website. The CGS Graduate Administrator will authorize upload of thesis on the E-Thesis system in Carleton Central. Once authorized, the student must also upload the thesis on Carleton Central. According to university policy, the thesis must be circulated to the committee members at least 3 weeks before the scheduled defence date (any exceptions to this timeframe must be agreed to by all members of the committee) and completely uploaded in the Carleton Central E-thesis system at least 2 weeks before the scheduled defence date.	*Dec 4	*April 1	*July. 18
M.A. Research Essay: Submit an electronic copy of your MRE using Form B , link on your program website.	Dec 1	April 1	Aug. 10

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6. Defence/Evaluation			
M.A. Thesis: Last Day to Hold Thesis Defence	Jan 8	May 5	Sept TBA
M.A. Research Essay: Deadline for Examination Committee to report grade to Program Director, or to request an oral examination.	Dec 18	April 19	Aug 27
7. Submission of filing copy of research project			
M.A. Thesis:			
Deadline for student to upload the final revised copy in the e-thesis system in Carleton Central (one week before university deadline).	Jan 12	May 12	Sept TBA
Final days for supervisor to approve upload or return to student for further corrections	Jan 12-15	May 12-15	Sept TBA
M.A. Research Essay: Submit an electronic copy of your MRE with any typos or corrections made as an MS Word or PDF file using Form C .	Jan 12	May 12	Sept TBA
8. Last Day for all E-Thesis Uploads or MRE marks to be received and approved by Graduate Studies or the Dean's Office. ***Students whose thesis is not uploaded and approved by this date or whose research essay mark has not been approved by the Dean by this date will have to register for the following academic term. No exceptions. ***	*Jan 19	*May 19	*Sept TBA

Submission Date to avoid Fees in Subsequent Term If you miss the deadline for completion of Step 8 and are required to register for another term of study, you may still be able to have your fees for that term reimbursed if you complete Step 8 before the last day to withdrawal from courses with full fee reimbursement of that term.	Term		
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	*Jan 31 for Winter term fees	*May 31 for Summer term fees	*Sept TBA for Fall term fees