

Migration and Diaspora Studies MA Program
Master's Thesis and Research Essay Deadlines

Steps:	Summer 2026
<p>Consult your supervisor about your timeline for completion of your Master's Research Essay (MRE) or Thesis. Your supervisor may recommend deadlines earlier than the deadlines listed.</p>	<p>May</p>
<p>Present draft chapters to your supervisor for comment and revision</p>	<p>June/July</p>
<p>Last Day to apply to Graduate (Please note that there is only one convocation ceremony per year for all students and it is held in June).</p>	<p>August 31st</p>
<p>Last day to submit a full and complete draft of your Thesis or MRE to your supervisor for review.</p> <p>Thesis: Your supervisor may require an earlier deadline. Your supervisor must inform the MDS Program Director that you are planning to complete your project this term and provide names of the thesis committee members (chair, second reader, examiner). Your supervisor should also coordinate with the committee and the MDS Administrator to schedule the date and time of the oral defence. The date of the defence will determine the actual final deadline for submission.</p> <p>MRE: Your supervisor may require an earlier deadline. Your supervisor must inform the MDS Program Director that you are planning to complete your project this term and provide the name of the examiner.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">July 24th</p> <p style="text-align: center;">August 10th</p>

<p>Last Day to Submit EXAMINATION copy of Thesis or MRE research project to committee (you may submit earlier!).</p> <p>Thesis. You will need to make arrangements with the MDS Administrator to submit your thesis through Carleton Central. The thesis must be made available to the Committee members at least 2 weeks before the defence.</p> <p>MRE: Email an electronic copy of your MRE as an MS Word or PDF file to the MDS Program Director, copying the MDS Administrator, your supervisor, and your examiner.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">August 21st</p>
<p>MRE: Last day for MDS Program Director to receive final MRE grade from your supervisor.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">August 26th</p>
<p>Thesis: Last day to hold Thesis defence.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">September 12th</p>
<p>Last Day for student to submit the filing copy of the MRE or Thesis with any corrections or revisions.</p> <p>MRE: Students should email an electronic copy (in MS Word or PDF format) to the MDS Administrator, copying their supervisor and the MDS Program Director.</p> <p>Thesis: Upload the final revised copy in the eThesis system. Your supervisor will need to approve the uploaded thesis revisions. All thesis upload procedures MUST be completed by the LAST DAY FOR REGISTRATION AND COURSE CHANGES deadline noted or the student MUST REGISTER for the following term. No exceptions.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">September 22nd</p>