

Graduate School Policy on Completion of Degree Requirements and Graduation

East Carolina University graduate students are required to be registered the semester they graduate. Students that have completed their degree requirements (dissertation/thesis received in the library, incomplete grades removed) by the published commencement date will be certified for graduation in that semester. Students finishing degree requirements after the commencement date will not be allowed to graduate retroactively.

Students completing degree requirements before the end of the 10th class day of the following semester will be eligible for the exemption from the registration requirement using the following guidelines:

- Registration for the semester will be waived upon the approval by the Graduate School of a request for the waiver from the graduate program director. The departmental request must provide a justification for the registration exemption. Requests based on lack of performance by the student will not be approved.
- Students without an approved exemption or completing degree requirements after the 10th class day will be required to register that semester.

Rules for registration for summer graduation will follow the guidelines in the catalog.

Academic Calendar Dates

Summer session I 2007:

Summer registration is not required to graduate in July IF you were registered in the spring. However those not registered in the spring must register in a summer session in order to graduate in July.

May 15, 2007	First day of classes
June 13, 2007	Last day for graduate students to drop Summer I courses without grades by 5:00 p.m.
June 20, 2007	Final examinations begin

Summer session II 2007:

June 21, 2007	First day of classes
July 2, 2007	Graduate Student Summaries & RG 312 are due for July graduation
July 16, 2007	Last day for making appointments with the Graduate School to review theses/dissertations for summer semester graduation
July 20, 2007	Last day for graduate students to drop Summer II courses without grades by 5:00p.m.
July 27, 2007	Final examinations begin; Last day to complete all degree requirements in order to graduate in July. Those not complete will roll to the December graduation.

Fall semester 2007:

August 22, 2007	First day of class
September 5, 2007	Last day to complete all degree requirements, waive fall registration, and to apply for graduation in December
October 26, 2007	Last day to submit Graduation Summary to Registrar's Office for students graduating in December, 2006
November 26, 2007	Last day for graduate students to drop courses without grades by 5:00 p.m.
November 27, 2007	Last day for making appointment with the Graduate School to review theses/ dissertations for fall semester graduation.
December 5, 2007	Graduate students last day to remove incompletes given during Fall 2006
December 7, 2007	Last day to complete all degree requirements, including thesis/ dissertation submissions to the library, remediation of "Incompletes" etc, in order to graduate in December. Those not complete will roll to the spring graduation.
December 15, 2007	Commencement

Spring semester 2008:

January 11, 2008	First day of classes
January 25, 2008	Last day to complete degree requirements, waive spring registration, and to apply for graduation in May
April 17, 2008	Last day for graduate students to drop courses without grades by 5:00 p.m.
April 18, 2008	Last day for making appointments with the Graduate School to review theses/dissertations for spring semester graduation
April 28, 2008	Graduate students last day to remove incomplete given during spring and summer session 2007
May 1, 2008	Last day to complete all degree requirements, including thesis/ dissertation submissions to the library, remediation of "Incompletes" etc, in order to graduate in the spring. Those not complete will roll to the July graduation.
May 10, 2008	Commencement