

Degree Completion Timeline Chart

Doctoral Degrees (DrPH and PhD)

Try to set your defense date with your program, mentor and committee at least 60 days in advance. Email gradcompletion@mcw.edu as soon as your defense date is set. Your degree requirements and graduation date is determined by the Graduate School based on set defense date.

Term	Graduation Date	Dissertation Defense Set Date Timeframe	Apply for Graduation in MCWconnect
2023 Fall	9/29/2023	7/31/2023 - 12/1/2023	8/1/2023 - 9/1/2023
	10/31/2023		
	11/30/2023		
	12/29/2023		
2024 Spring	1/31/2024	12/4/2023 - 4/12/2024 <i>*Must defend by 4/12/2024 to participate 2024 Commencement events. After 4/12/2024 students are invited to 2025 Commencement events.</i>	11/1/2023 - 12/1/2023
	2/29/2024		
	3/29/2024		
	4/30/2024		
	5/17/2024* Commencement		
2024 Summer	6/28/2024	4/15/2024 - 7/26/2024	4/1/2024 - 5/1/2024
	7/31/2024		
	8/30/2024		
2024 Fall	9/30/2024	7/29/2024 - 11/29/2024	8/1/2024 - 9/1/2024
	10/31/2024		
	11/29/2024		
	12/31/2024		
2025 Spring	1/31/2025	12/2/2024 - 4/11/2025 <i>*Must defend by 4/11/2025 to participate in 2025 Commencement events. After 4/11/2025 students are invited to 2026 Commencement events.</i>	11/1/2024 - 12/1/2024
	2/28/2025		
	3/28/2025		
	4/30/2025		
	5/16/2025* Commencement		
2025 Summer	6/30/2025	4/14/2025 - 7/25/2025	4/1/2025 - 5/1/2025
	7/31/2025		
	8/29/2025		

Certificate and Master's Degrees (MA, ME, MMP, MPH, and MS)

Master's degree graduates in the Summer and Fall terms, are invited to participate in Commencement events held the following Spring.

Term	Graduation Date	Apply for Graduation in MCWconnect	Degree Requirements Due
2023 Fall	12/29/2023	8/1/2023 - 9/1/2023	12/15/2023
2024 Spring	5/17/2024 Commencement	11/1/2023 - 12/1/2023	5/3/2024
2024 Summer	8/30/2024	4/1/2024 - 5/1/2024	7/26/2024
2024 Fall	12/31/2024	8/1/2024 - 9/1/2024	12/13/2024
2025 Spring	5/16/2025 Commencement	11/1/2024 - 12/1/2024	5/9/2025
2025 Summer	8/29/2025	4/1/2025 - 5/1/2025	7/25/2025