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COLLEGE OF  
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## Summer 2026 Information and Deadlines for Graduation

**May 15<sup>th</sup>**

Complete your online **Intent to Graduate** form by this date.\* Students completing a dissertation or thesis should obtain and consult the current Manual for Thesis/Dissertation Defense on the COE website <http://coe.tcu.edu/forms-documents/>.

**June 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Thesis/Treatise/Capstone/Dissertation Writers:** Final draft should be available for your committee by this date.

**July 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Programs should schedule final orals for all degrees, both thesis and non-thesis (treatise) and dissertation by this date. Students are responsible for notifying the COE Graduate Office regarding the date of the oral defense.

**At least two weeks  
prior to oral**

**Thesis/Treatise/Capstone/Dissertation Writers:** An electronic copy should be submitted to committee members. **It must be carefully proofread and in its final form**, except for any changes that might be suggested at the final oral.

**July 24<sup>th</sup>**

Final orals/defenses must be completed by this date. **The revised dissertation or thesis must be uploaded to ProQuest by July 31<sup>st</sup>.**

**ProQuest**

**Thesis/Dissertation Writers:** A \$10 processing fee will be charged to your student account when you submit to the library for archiving (<https://library.tcu.edu/submit-thesis-or-dissertation.asp>).

**August 10<sup>th</sup>**

Degrees conferred

**December 18<sup>th</sup>**

Commencement

\* Should it be necessary to delay graduation, fill out a **Cancel Intent to Graduate** form or notify the COE Graduate office to do so. It will be necessary to complete another **Intent to Graduate** form for your new graduation date.

\*\* Students must get chair approval by April 24<sup>th</sup> in order to defend during the summer.