

Graduate Studies Forms and Procedures, especially for Dissertation and Graduation

Students are required to be familiar with and follow Graduate Studies procedures, including all graduate studies paperwork requirements for Dissertation and Graduation.

- We do not keep copies of GRADUATE STUDIES paperwork on our Forms webpage, because they update their forms and procedures regularly.
- The best way to ensure students are following current procedures is for students to get that information directly from the Graduate Studies website.

As of 2025 – 2026, the correct links are below:

- <https://case.edu/gradstudies/current-students/graduation/doctoral-graduation>
- <https://case.edu/gradstudies/current-students/policies-procedures>
- <https://case.edu/gradstudies/current-students/forms>

Specific Graduate Studies Policies to be aware of, as of 2025-2026:

- Current Advancement to Candidacy forms are available through Graduate Studies, at the links above.
- You are required to schedule your dissertation defense through Graduate Studies, at least 3 weeks prior to your defense. Graduate Studies advertises all defenses on their calendar. You must get the correct paperwork for this scheduling through Graduate Studies, via the above links.
- You must also complete the “Final Certification for the PhD Degree” at the conclusion of your defense, and this form is available through Grad Studies.
- Procedures and forms related to graduation are available through Grad Studies, as are dates and deadlines.