



## DEADLINE DATES FOR FINAL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS MA SLP

This document has both departmental and Graduate School deadlines.

- Graduate school deadlines sometimes change, so please see <https://gradschool.umd.edu/calendar/deadlines/academic-deadlines> for clarification about Graduate School deadlines
- **You can import these deadlines into your personal google calendar** (Under “Other calendars” link in the left menu, select “Add by URL” and paste the following link:
  - <https://calendar.google.com/calendar/ical/d4ab3in0r61d1hng5beev52618%40group.calendar.google.com/public/basic.ics>  
Public URL:
  - <https://calendar.google.com/calendar?cid=ZDRhYjNpbjByNjFkMWhuZzViZWV2NTI2MThAZ3JvdXAuY2FsZW5kYXluZ29vZ2xlLmNvbQ>

### FALL 2020 DEADLINES FOR THOSE PLANNING TO GRADUATE IN SPRING 2021

Date	What is due?
Sep. 4 (Fri)	Approval of candidacy paper topic from first reader (Dept. requirement)
Sept. 18 (Fri)	Approval of candidacy paper topic from second reader (Dept. requirement)
Sept. 25	Fill out Capstone information form <a href="https://go.umd.edu/SLP-Capstone-Plans">https://go.umd.edu/SLP-Capstone-Plans</a>
Oct. 30 (Fri)	Candidacy paper proposal due to both readers (Dept. requirement)



## DEADLINES DURING THE SEMESTER OF GRADUATION

As of 8/5/2020, the Graduate School has not published Spring 2021 dates, these are approximate dates based on last year's deadlines.

Semester of Graduation		What is due?
Fall 2020	Spring 2021	
Sep. 4 (Fri)	Jan. 29 (Fri)	Candidacy paper due to both readers (Dept. requirement)
Sep. 14 (Mon)	Feb. 5 (Fri)	Last day to submit <a href="#">Application for Graduation</a> (University requirement). This may be done on the web via <a href="#">Testudo</a>
Oct.2 (Fri)	Mar 5 (Fri)	<i>Master's Thesis Students:</i> Last day to submit <a href="#">Master's Thesis Examining Committee Nomination Form</a>
Oct. 9 (Fri)	Mar. 5 (Fri)	Deadline for re-submission for failed Candidacy Papers (Dept. requirement)
Oct. 30 (Fri)	Mar 19 (Fri)	Deadline for approval of re-submitted Candidacy Papers by first and second readers (Dept. requirement). The student is not eligible to graduate in this semester if the Candidacy Paper is not approved by this date.
Nov. 6 (Fri)	Apr 2 (Fri)	Comprehensive examinations <i>All prior incomplete grades (with the exception of candidacy) MUST be completed before you can take comps</i>
Nov. 25 (Wed)	Apr. 23 (Fri)	Re-take of Comprehensive examination for failed questions (Note: Students with more than one failed question will need to re-take the entire Comprehensive examination during exam week. They will not be able to graduate in the current semester)



Dec. 2 (Wed)	Apr. 23 (Fri)	<i>Master's Thesis Students:</i> Final date for Thesis advisors to submit Report of Examining Committee Final date to electronically submit Thesis; Final day to submit <a href="#">Electronic Thesis and Dissertation Publication Form</a> to the Registrar
Dec. 11 (Fri)	May 17 (Fri)	Comprehensive Examination – Full re-exam for those who failed the entire exam – Note that students taking an exam on this date will graduate in the following semester (Winter or Summer) although they can participate in commencement ceremonies
Dec. 14 (Tues)	May 11 (Tue)	Non-thesis students- Final date to complete all requirements for the program
Dec. 20-22	May 20-22	Commencement ceremonies

### SUMMER DEADLINES

In unusual circumstances, students may not complete one or more requirements to graduate in Spring semester and may have to move their graduation to Summer. Please note the following about summer graduation:

**Registration requirement:** Students need to be registered for at least one credit during the semester of graduation even if they have met all their credit requirements, unless they complete all requirements before the first day of summer session 1.

**Faculty availability** Several faculty members have 9.5 appointments and thus may not be available to review student work beyond May 31. Students are responsible for consulting with faculty regarding their availability, and it is recommended that they do so early enough so that they can make alternate plans (e.g., change candidacy paper readers) if faculty are not available.

**Beginning your clinical fellowship:** ASHA does not require the MA degree to be awarded in order to start a Clinical Fellowship Year (CFY), only completion of ASHA course work and clock hour requirements. However, various jurisdictions, including DC, Maryland and Virginia DO require CFY candidates to present evidence of an awarded degree before authorizing a temporary license. If graduates will work in other states, they should check local requirements.



However, students should be aware that eligibility to begin a CFY does NOT require the MA degree. At the end of three years, both thesis and candidacy paper students are at the same point in terms of earning potential and ASHA certification eligibility.

The deadlines below are advisory only, please check with your academic advisor for specifics.

May 17	Re-exam of comprehensive exams for those who failed the entire exam
May 31	All requirements (e.g., candidacy paper, thesis, incomplete grades, etc) need to be completed to avoid enrolling in 1 credit for summer graduation. Note that in order to complete your requirements by this date, you will need to submit your work at least two weeks prior (consult with the respective faculty).
July 10	Last day to submit <a href="#">Application for Graduation</a> (University requirement). This may be done on the web via <a href="#">Testudo</a>
July 12	<i>Master's Thesis Students:</i> Last day to submit <a href="#">Master's Thesis Examining Committee Nomination Form</a>
Aug 7	All requirements (e.g., candidacy paper, incomplete grades, etc) need to be completed for summer graduation.
Aug 7	<i>Master's Thesis Students:</i> Final date for Thesis advisors to submit Report of Examining Committee Final date to electronically submit Thesis; Final day to submit <a href="#">Electronic Thesis and Dissertation Publication Form</a> to the Registrar

### CHECKLIST AS YOU PREPARE TO GRADUATE

#### KASA Form

Fill out your ASHA application (<http://www.asha.org/uploadedFiles/2005-SLP-CCCAApplication.pdf>) and Knowledge and Skills Acquisition (KASA) form FULLY and check it for accuracy. We have a model form that uses University of Maryland courses as examples to guide you in filling out your form.



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## Praxis exam

- The praxis exam can be taken any time before you apply for ASHA certification. Students typically take this during their final semester in the program.  
<https://www.ets.org/praxis/asha/requirements>
- Please list the University of Maryland as a recipient of your NTE ASHA exam scores.
  - The code for Speech is 5331 and our institution code is: 0131. Or find UMD/SLP in the drop-down list.

## Contact Information

- Please provide the department with your forwarding address if you will be moving after graduation, as well as your non-umd email address.

## Clinical Fellowship Information

- Please notify the Ms. Valerie Brownlee of your CFY site as soon as you know it.