

AUBURN UNIVERSITY

Graduate School Registration and Graduation Requirements Policy

Thesis and dissertation students needing thesis or dissertation final approval and submission and the final examination, or non-thesis graduate students needing to complete projects, would register for 7990 Research and Thesis, 8990 Research and Dissertation, or 7980 Project, as applicable. Non-thesis graduate students requiring only a final examination would register for GRAD 7000. Students may not register for GRAD 7000 for more than one semester.

No student will be permitted to graduate who fails to submit a graduation check request to the Graduate School prior to the semester of expected graduation. Graduation day is the official last day of each semester and, therefore, is the deadline for approved plans of study and graduation checks for graduation the following semester. It is the responsibility of graduate students to check records for compliance with graduation requirements. Students who have completed a graduation check for a previous term must notify the Graduate School of pending graduation before the 15th class day of each subsequent semester. Graduate degrees are awarded at the end of each semester. Candidates wishing to graduate in absentia must inform the Registrar's Office.

A graduate student may carry a maximum course load of 16 hours per semester (14 in the summer term) including undergraduate courses. Graduate students must carry nine hours per semester or enroll in (GRAD 7AA0/GRAD 8AA0) with concurrent enrollment for a minimum of one hour of 7990/8990 to be classified as full-time students. Enrollment in (GRAD 7AA0/GRAD 8AA0) requires the completion of the form available at the Graduate School or at <http://graduate.auburn.edu/current-students/forms-directory/>.