

MIT-WHOI Joint Program

Thesis Due Dates for 2017

| Degree List | Degree | Defendable Draft Due Date** | Recommended Final Defense Date | Final Thesis Due Date* |
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| February '17 | Doctoral: | Friday, Dec. 16 or Friday, Dec. 9 | Friday, Dec. 30 | Friday, Jan. 13 |
| | Masters: | | | Friday, Jan. 20 |
| June '17 | Doctoral: | Friday, April 7 or Friday, March 31 | Friday, April 21 | Friday, May 5 |
| | Masters: | | | Friday, May 12 |
| September '17 | Doctoral: | Friday, July 14 or Friday, July 7 | Friday, July 28 | Friday, Aug. 11 |
| | Masters: | | | Friday, Aug. 11 |

* These are the official MIT deadlines as posted in the Academic Calendar. **You must check with your MIT department for their due date - it may vary.**

For Doctoral degrees, it is recommended that your defense take place at least two weeks prior to the final due date.

**Your defendable draft is due at the WHOI Academic Programs Office and your MIT Department (*MIT Biology does not need a defendable draft*):

- two weeks prior to your defense for students guided by the following Joint Committees: *Applied Ocean Science and Engineering, Biology, Chemical Oceanography*, (for a total of four weeks prior to the final deadline).
- three weeks prior to your defense for students guided by the following Joint Committees: *Marine Geology and Geophysics, Physical Oceanography* (for a total of five weeks prior to the final deadline).

Graduation Celebrations

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| Wednesday, June 7 | WHOI Graduate Reception |
| Thursday, June 8 | MIT Doctoral Hooding |
| Friday, June 9 | Commencement at MIT |