

**DIVISION OF GRADUATE MEDICAL SCIENCES
BOSTON UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE**

2020 GRADUATION CALENDAR

M.A. AND M.S. DEGREE CANDIDATES

NOTE:

1. A candidate must be registered for the semester in which the degree requirements are completed and during the preceding semester.
2. Candidates should adhere to the guidelines as stipulated in the *Guide for Writers of Thesis and Dissertations*, published by the Mugar Memorial Library and available on the GMS website.
3. Students may not submit their thesis, unless a **diploma application** has been submitted to the GMS Registrar (L 309) by the appropriate deadline.
4. **NOTE:** Master of Science students who are not required to complete a thesis MUST submit a diploma application in order to be considered for graduation.

ALL FORMS can be found on the [GMS Student Forms](#) – GMS website

	<u><i>January 2020 Award</i></u>	<u><i>May 2020 Award</i></u>	<u><i>September 2020 Award</i></u>
Thesis Title Approval Form Dates are flexible over a two week period	July 2, 2019	October 30, 2019	February 7, 2020
*Diploma Application	October 2, 2019	January 6, 2020	May 22, 2020
First draft of thesis (suggested date to submit to readers)	October 4, 2019	February 4, 2020	June 4, 2020
Thesis Format Reviewed Email will be sent with actual dates.	TBA	TBA	TBA
***Approved and signed thesis	December 4, 2019	April 2, 2020	August 5, 2020

***The diploma application is valid only for the graduation date specified; a new application must be filled if the student does not graduate as planned.**

*****An information email will be sent by the GMS Registrar regarding thesis format review and deadlines. Submit an electronic copy of the full thesis in WORD format to GMSThesis@bu.edu, according to set deadlines.**

All M.A. and M.S. degree requirements are complete only when the final thesis has been certified as meeting the standards of GMS and of the Mugar Memorial Library.