

BUSM - GRADUATE MEDICAL SCIENCES

2023 GRADUATION CALENDAR M.A. AND M.S. DEGREE CANDIDATES

Students may not submit thesis or attend Commencement ceremony, unless a [diploma application](#) has been submitted by the appropriate deadline!

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1. A candidate must be registered for the semester in which the degree requirements are completed and during the preceding semester.
2. Candidates must adhere to the guidelines as stipulated in the [Guide for Writers of Thesis and Dissertations](#), published by the Mugar Memorial Library. Additional Information on the GMS website: [Research, Thesis, Capstone and Dissertation Information](#).
3. **NOTE:** M.A or M.S. degree students who are not required to complete a thesis **MUST** submit a [diploma application](#) in order to be considered for graduation.
4. **Submit [Special Service Appointment Form](#) with reader C.V., for any reader who is not listed on the [GMS FACULTY PAGE](#).**
5. The following information and deadlines apply to students who anticipate receiving their MA or MS degree at one of the following graduation cycles. Department/programs may impose additional deadlines.
6. The diploma application is valid only for the graduation date specified; a new application must be submitted if the student does not graduate as planned.

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

	<u><i>January 2023 Award</i></u>	<u><i>May 2023 Award</i></u>	<u><i>August 25, 2023 Award</i></u>
Thesis Title Approval Form (Dates are flexible over a two week period)	July 1, 2022	October 25, 2022	February 3, 2023
Capstone forms, Track forms, & Practicum: Contact Program Director for specific Program deadlines.			
*Diploma Application	September 30, 2022	January 2, 2023	May 1, 2023
<i>August completion of degree: If eligible to attend GMS commencement ceremony, submit diploma application by January 2, 2023</i>			
First draft of thesis (Contact readers for specific dates)	October 4, 2022	February 1, 2023	May 11, 2023
Thesis Format Reviewed (An email will be sent with specific dates)	November 1, 2022	February 20, 2023	June, 12, 2023
*Approved and signed thesis	December 7, 2022	March 29, 2023	July 12, 2023

*****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.