

2024 academic year II – Timetable for doctoral dissertation defense

2024

2 December (Mon)

Receipt of applications for doctoral dissertation defense begins
(students planning to complete in first semester)

9 December (Mon)

Deadline for receipt of applications for doctoral dissertation defense

24 December (Tue)

Deadline for reporting date, time, place and recommendations for
committee members of doctoral dissertation defense

* The chief examiner decides the date, time and place of the
doctoral thesis open examination, and reports this and
recommendations for the dissertation defense committee to the
Dean of the UGSAS.

2025

10 January (Fri)

Representative committee

- Decision on whether or not to accept doctoral dissertation
- Decision on establishment and members of doctoral
dissertation defense committee

17 January (Fri)

Announcement of doctoral dissertation defense schedule
(notification to all concerned)

22 January (Wed)

Inspection period (until 13 February (Thurs))

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Start of doctoral dissertation defense

4 February (Tue)

End of doctoral dissertation defense

* After dissertation defense, submission of "Summary of
results of doctoral dissertation defense" and "Summary of
results of final examination" (by 6 February(Thu))

14 February (Fri)

Graduate School committee

- Decision on whether to pass doctoral dissertation

3 March (Mon)

Deadline for submittal of doctoral dissertation (bound-cover), and The
full text of the doctoral dissertation(in PDF format)

10 March (Mon)

Doctorate conferment ceremony (provisional date)

*** Students who have exceeded the standard length of enrolment (3 years) or who wish to complete early may apply for the doctorate at any time, and doctoral dissertation defense may be held at times before those in the schedule above, though, doctoral degrees shall be conferred twice a year, in September and March. Please be sure to submit documents for application by the specified date.**