

2026 academic year I – Timetable for doctoral dissertation defense

2026

2 June (Tue)	Application for doctoral dissertation defense begins (students planning to complete in first semester)
9 June (Teu)	Deadline for applications for doctoral dissertation defense
25 June (Thurs)	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 dissertation defense, and reports this and recommendations for the dissertation defense committee to the Dean of the Graduate School.
3 July (Fri)	Representative committee - Decision on whether or not to accept doctoral dissertation - Decision on establishment and members of doctoral dissertation defense committee
10 July (Fri)	Announcement of the doctoral dissertation defense schedule to open the public (notification to all concerned)
17 July (Fri) "	Inspection period (until 20 August (Thurs)) Start of doctoral dissertation defense
3 August (Mon)	End of doctoral dissertation defense * After the defense, submission of "Summary of results of doctoral dissertation defense" and "Summary of results of final examination" (by 6 August (thurs))
21 August (Fri)	Graduate School Committee - Decision on whether to pass doctoral dissertation
4 September (Fri)	Deadline for submittal of doctoral dissertation (bound-cover), and the full text of the doctoral dissertation(in PDF format)
11 September (Fri)	Doctorate conferment ceremony (provisional date)

*** Students who have exceeded the standard length of enrollment (3 years) or who wish to complete early may apply for the doctorate at any time, and doctoral dissertation defense may be held 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.**