

# IMPORTANT POSTGRADUATE DATES 2026

***ALL DEADLINES LISTED HERE ARE HARD DEADLINES***

5 Feb	Deadline for all postgraduate readmission applications.
5 Feb	Deadline for approval of any late PhD proposals carrying over from last year. If this deadline is missed, the PhD student will not be allowed to register for this academic year.
5 Feb	Final day on which <b>PhD oral</b> can take place for March/April graduation.  This includes the submission of all examiners' reports, the properly signed examination forms that indicate the outcome of the oral examination, and the 50+100 word summaries to Larry Morkel.
26 Feb	Deadline for completion of all <b>MEng orals</b> for March/April graduation.
26 Feb	Deadline loading marks of MEng and result of PhD for March/April graduation.
26 Feb	Deadline for <b>submission of electronic copies of corrected theses</b> (after examination) for both MEng and PhD to Larry Morkel for submission to SUNScholar in time for March/April graduation.
20 Jul	1 <sup>st</sup> Deadline for the <b>appointment of examiners</b> (MEng and PhD).
17 Aug	1 <sup>st</sup> Deadline for <b>submission of PhD theses</b> . Submission is to TurnItIn and includes the signed form indicating the supervisor's satisfaction with the resulting score.
1 Sep	1 <sup>st</sup> Deadline for <b>submission of MEng theses</b> . Submission is to TurnItIn and includes the signed form indicating the supervisor's satisfaction with the resulting score.
5 Oct	Deadline for <b>approval of PhD research proposals</b> . The student will have started their PhD in January this year.  The proposal must already have been evaluated by the panel; this deadline is for the final documents (panel recommendation form, executive summary, proposal) to be received by Larry Morkel.
5 Oct	Deadline for the <b>appointment of examiners</b> (M and PhD) for March/April graduation.
5 Oct	Deadline for submission of <b>MEng→PhD upgrade</b> documents.  The upgrade proposal must already have been evaluated by the panel; this deadline is for the submission of the resulting documents (panel recommendation form, executive summary, proposal) to Larry Morkel. If this deadline is missed, the student will have to register as MEng again the next year because the documents will then only serve on the 1 <sup>st</sup> FB meeting of the following year.
2 Nov	Deadline for <b>submission of MEng and PhD theses</b> for examination for March/April graduation. Submission is to TurnItIn and includes the signed form indicating the supervisor's satisfaction with the resulting score.