

## WILLIAM CAREY UNIVERSITY DISSERTATION DEADLINES 2025-2026

REQUIREMENT	INSTRUCTIONS	FALL DEADLINE (DECEMBER GRADUATION)	SPRING DEADLINE (MAY GRADUATION)	SUMMER DEADLINE (AUGUST DEGREE CONFERRAL)
<b>Oral Defense of Dissertation</b>	The Final Dissertation/Thesis Defense Form must be completed, signed, and submitted to the Office of Graduate Programs no later than one week after the successful oral defense once required committee edits are completed.	<b>September 26, 2025</b>	<b>February 27, 2026</b>	<b>May 01, 2026</b>
<b>Manuscript Resubmitted and Approved by Dissertation Committee</b>	The edited Manuscript that includes Dissertation Committee required edits must be resubmitted to and approved by the Committee no later than ONE WEEK following oral defense. The manuscript is then sent to the Graduate Reader.	<b>ONE BUSINESS WEEK FOLLOWING ORAL DEFENSE</b>	<b>ONE BUSINESS WEEK FOLLOWING ORAL DEFENSE</b>	<b>ONE BUSINESS WEEK FOLLOWING ORAL DEFENSE</b>
<b>Edited Manuscript Resubmitted and Approved by Graduate Reader</b>	The Doctoral Candidate must resubmit edited manuscript to the Graduate Reader within ONE WEEK following receipt of required edits from Graduate Reader. All Graduate Reader edits must be completed before the Final Approved Document Form is submitted by the Committee Chair.	<b>ONE BUSINESS WEEK FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF EDITS FROM READER</b>	<b>ONE BUSINESS WEEK FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF EDITS FROM READER</b>	<b>ONE BUSINESS WEEK FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF EDITS FROM READER</b>
<b>Final Approved Document Form Completed and Submitted to the Office of Graduate Programs and eDissertation ready for submission</b>	The Dissertation Committee Chair must submit the Final Dissertation Manuscript (approved by the Dissertation Committee, the School Dean, Graduate Dean, and the Graduate Reader) to the eDissertation Representative of the respective school and complete the Post Graduate Reader Thesis/Dissertation Mach Form <b>no later than 05:00pm TWO WEEKS PRIOR to the date of the intended Commencement Ceremony (Fall and Spring). Degree conferral/posting will occur after the completion of the respective term.</b>	<b>November 21, 2025</b>	<b>April 24, 2026</b>	<b>July 17, 2026</b>