The Thesis Process: 2015-16 Key Dates & Deadlines

FIRST YEAR STUDENTS

Spring
Apr 7  □ Deadline to enroll in DANM 212: Thesis Proposal (add/drop/swap by 4/18)
Jun 2  □ FORM DUE — “Thesis Committee” signed form to Felicia

SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

Fall
Nov 1  □ Thesis Project Proposal due to committee
Nov 15 □ Oral Review with committee completed
Dec 1  □ FORM DUE—“Thesis Abstract” signed form and copy of abstract to Felicia
Dec 10 □ Students who have not rec’d signed approval for their thesis abstract will be recommended for probation.

Winter
Jan 13 □ Deadline to enroll in DANM 215: MFA Exhibition Production and DANM 299: Thesis Research* (add/drop/swap by 1/27)
Mar 1  □ You should have held at least one committee meeting by now. At the end of winter quarter, March 21, Incompletes or Unsatisfactory grades in required courses will result in exclusion from MFA exhibition.

Spring
Apr 4-6 □ FORM DUE—New “MFA Studio Review Critique” for functioning beta version of proposed thesis exhibition installation due to Felicia
Apr 7  □ FORM DUE—Last day to submit “Application for Master’s Degree” to Graduate Division for Spring graduation
Apr 7  □ Deadline to enroll in DANM 299: Thesis Research* (add/drop/swap by 4/18)
Apr 11 □ FORM DUE—“Participation in MFA Exhibition” with installation plan and diagram to Felicia
Apr 18 (est.) □ Deadline to order cap & gown (about $50) without extra rush charges. (Deadline and cost are estimates; check http://graddiv.ucsc.edu for exact dates and prices.)

Apr 28-May 1 □ MFA EXHIBITION (Reception Friday, April 29)
May 22 □ Deadline for Oral Defense of Thesis to committee
(Draft of Thesis Paper due to committee five days before your oral defense.)
May 31 est. □ Last day to register with Graduate Division for Commencement ceremony
Jun 5  □ Completed version of Thesis Paper and Thesis Project Documentation due to committee
Jun 10 □ FORM DUE—Revised “Oral Defense and Graduation Status” with Thesis Paper (completed or committee-authorized revision) and digital documentation of Thesis Project to Felicia

* requires completed Independent Studies petition signed by instructor and adviser