

2011-2012 Graduate School Calendar Fall Semester 2011

September 6, Tuesday.New Graduate Student Orientation.

September 7, Wednesday. Classes begin, Kingston campus.

September 23, Friday. Deadline for potential December graduates to submit approved thesis/dissertation proposal. Students who plan to graduate after December 2011 must submit an approved thesis/dissertation during, or preferably before, the semester preceding the semester in which the thesis/dissertation itself is to be submitted and defended.*

September 30, Friday. Final date for Leave of Absence requests for Fall 2011.

September 30, Friday.Final date for nominations for December graduation.

November 10, Thursday. Final date for potential December graduates to submit completed defense copies of theses/dissertation in a form acceptable for examination purposes, along with the request for oral defense of thesis. **NO EXTENSIONS OF TIME CAN BE GRANTED.** *Thesis/dissertations must be submitted at least 20 calendar days prior to the date requested for oral defense. Selection of date should allow sufficient time for necessary revisions and retyping before final submission. See December 9 deadline and important note at end of calendar on the next page.*

November 15, Tuesday.Deadline for applications for Spring 2012, except for programs with earlier deadlines.

November 15, Tuesday. Final date for receipt in the Office of Research Compliance of applications/proposals for IRB or IACUC approval for potential May 2012 graduates. (IRB= Institutional Review Board – research involving human subjects; IACUC = Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee – research involving vertebrate animals)

December 9, Friday. Final date for potential December 2011 graduates to submit, in final form, theses/dissertations that have been successfully defended. **NO EXTENSIONS OF TIME CAN BE GRANTED.**

December 12, Monday. Classes end. Programs of Study due for students admitted for Spring 2011.

December 23, Friday. Final date for changes of grades, changes to Programs of Study, results of comprehensive exams, etc. for potential December 2011 graduates to be received in the Graduate School for certification for December graduation. NO EXTENSIONS OF TIME CAN BE GRANTED.

December 23, Friday. Final date for approved thesis/dissertation proposals for potential May 2012 graduates.

Spring Semester 2012

January 23, Monday. Classes begin, Kingston campus.

February 1, Wednesday. Final date for admission applications from individuals seeking financial aid for 2012. Applications for financial aid received after this date cannot be assured of full consideration.

February 1, Wednesday. Deadline for international applications for Fall 2012.

February 10, Friday. Final date for nominations for May graduation.

February 15, Wednesday. Final date for receipt in the Office of Research Compliance of applications/proposals for IRB or IACUC approval for potential December 2012 graduates. (IRB = Institutional Review Board – research involving human subjects; IACUC = Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee – research involving vertebrate animals)

March 1, Thursday. Final date for Leave of Absence requests for Spring 2012.

March 1, Thursday. Final date for nominations from departments for fellowships and scholarships.

March 23, Friday. Final date for potential May 2012 graduates to submit completed defense copies of theses/dissertations in a form acceptable for examination purposes, along with the request for oral defense of thesis. NO EXTENSIONS OF TIME CAN BE GRANTED. *Theses must be submitted at least 20 calendar days prior to the date requested for oral defense. Selection of date should allow sufficient time for necessary revisions and retyping before final submission. See April 13 deadline, and important note at the end of calendar on next page.*

April 1, Sunday. Application deadline for Summer 2012 admission, except for programs with earlier deadlines.

April 13, Friday. Students who have both completed their coursework and defended their theses/dissertations (if required) by this date are eligible to march in the 2012 commencement ceremonies. (For complete listing of eligibility regulations, visit <http://www.uri.edu/commencement/eligibility> or see the *Graduate School Manual Appendix B.*)

April 13, Friday. Final date for potential May graduates to submit, in final form, theses/dissertations that have been successfully defended. NO EXTENSIONS OF TIME CAN BE GRANTED.

April 13, Friday. Final date for changes of grades for courses taken in previous semesters, changes to Programs of Study, results of comprehensive exams, etc. for potential May graduates to be received in the Graduate School for certification for May graduation. NO EXTENSIONS OF TIME CAN BE GRANTED.

April 16, Monday. Deadline for nominations for August graduation.

April 30, Monday. Classes end. Programs of Study due for students admitted for Fall 2011.

May 11, Friday. Final date for approved thesis/dissertation proposals for potential Summer and Fall 2012 graduates.

May 15, Tuesday. Final date for changes of grades for courses taken in Spring 2012 to be received in the Graduate School for certification for May graduation. NO EXTENSIONS OF TIME CAN BE GRANTED.

May 19, Saturday. Commencement.

** Thesis/dissertation proposals should be submitted before substantial research has been completed, typically during the first or second semester in which the student registers for research credits.*

2012 Summer Sessions Graduate School Calendar

Note: *All courses taken by graduate students during summer sessions are subject to the same regulations regarding inclusion in Programs of Study and calculation of overall academic average, etc., as courses taken during*

the regular academic year. Students wishing to take directed studies or special problems courses during summer sessions must obtain individual approval for these courses from the Continuing Education office unless the specific offering is listed in the summer Course Schedule for that year. Students wishing to enroll for thesis or dissertation research during summer sessions must first determine that their major professors and/or members of their thesis or dissertation committees will be available and are willing to provide the necessary supervision. See also the important note at the end of this calendar regarding scheduling of examinations, including defense of theses/dissertations, during summer sessions. See the schedule of summer courses available online at <http://www.uri.edu>, or visit the Continuing Education (Summer Session) office in Kingston.

Session I: May 21–June 29

May 21, Monday. Classes begin.

June 4, Monday. Final date for nominations for August graduation.

Week of June 18. Classes end. Exams.

Session II: June 25–August 3

June 25, Monday. Classes begin.

July 6, Friday. Final date for all potential August 2012 graduates to submit completed defense copies of theses/dissertations in a form acceptable for examination purposes, along with the request for oral defense of the thesis. **NO EXTENSIONS OF TIME CAN BE GRANTED.** *Theses must be submitted at least 20 calendar days prior to the date requested for the oral defense. Selection of date should allow sufficient time for necessary revisions and retyping before submission in final form. See August 1 deadline.*

July 15, Sunday. Deadline for Fall 2012 applications, except for programs with earlier deadlines.

Week of July 23. Classes end. Exams.

August 1, Wednesday. Final date for potential August 2012 graduates to submit, in final form, theses/dissertations that have been successfully defended. **NO EXTENSIONS OF TIME CAN BE GRANTED.**

August 3, Friday. Final date for changes of grades, changes to Programs

of Study, results of comprehensive exams, etc. to be received in the Graduate School for certification for August graduation. NO EXTENSIONS OF TIME CAN BE GRANTED.

IMPORTANT: Requests for scheduling exams must be submitted to the Graduate School at least 20 calendar days prior to the date(s) requested. Theses and dissertations must be distributed to members of the examining committee at least 15 days prior to the date of the defense. Oral and written (including qualifying and comprehensive) exams and defenses of theses will be scheduled only at the convenience of the faculty members involved and depending on the availability of the student's program committee and additional qualified examiners. Such exams will not be scheduled during periods when the University is in recess. Students wishing to take any exams should first check the availability of the faculty members. Each faculty member must initial the request to indicate his or her willingness to serve. Faculty should be consulted well in advance for exams being scheduled during the summer sessions. If they are not registered for course work or research during the summer sessions, students must register for one credit of research to defend theses/dissertations.