



### **Timeline for Thesis – Single Semester (three credits)**

Fall Start for Spring graduation

October 1	Bibliography and thesis project proposal draft due to thesis supervisor
November 11	Thesis approval meeting with supervisor Chapter outline for the thesis (annotated Table of Contents)
November	File thesis project proposal with Academic Affairs for Dean approval Second reader named by the Dean Registration occurs automatically upon approval by Dean
February 1	Introduction, methodology, and first chapter due to supervisor
February 15	Introduction, methodology, and first chapter due to student
March 10	Complete thesis draft due to supervisor
March 21	Revision suggestions due to student from supervisor and reader(s)
April 15	Revised draft due from student to supervisor and reader(s)
May 1	Penultimate draft due to supervisor and second reader Include thesis cover sheet template Thesis defense before supervisor and reader
May 15	Finished copy due from student to Library with payment for binding

### **Timeline for Thesis – Two Semesters (six credits)**

Register for thesis one year before graduation

If students choose to research and complete a thesis over the course of two semesters for 6 credits, they must submit a more in-depth study and longer paper (see MTS Thesis Guidelines for length). They also should register in the prior spring term for thesis work in the fall semester. The thesis proposal is due by the end of the spring registration period. The complete thesis draft is due by March 10, and a research and writing schedule for fall and spring semester to meet this deadline will be determined with the thesis supervisor. The schedule above applies for all dates from March 10 onward.

*(Students starting thesis in Spring should work with their supervisor to adjust this timeline accordingly.)*