

GRADUATE COUNCIL (GC)

Deadlines for submission of Catalog sections, Courses, new and revised proposals for majors and minors.

Deadlines for Effective Term Academic Year 2028-2029

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	Effective Term		
	FALL 2028	SPRING 2029	SUMMER 2029
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Course Proposal (CP) Deadlines</u></p> <p>Last day for all course proposals (new and revised) in Curriculog to reach the Registrar for inclusion in the course schedule (offerings). The Graduate Group Chairs must ensure that the CP clears the Assessment step and is ready to be forwarded by the Registrar to Graduate Council on or before the deadline. Before submission to the Senate Office, the CP should reflect all needed corrections and clarifications from School and Registrar reviews. Curriculog is available here.</p>	Monday, October 11, 2027	Monday, February 14, 2028	Monday, February 14, 2028
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>New Programs or Major Revisions to Existing Academic Degree Programs</u></p> <p>Last day to submit proposals to GC for new programs or major revisions to existing academic programs for implementation in Fall 2028. <u>Proposals must include a draft Catalog copy.</u></p>	Monday, October 12, 2026	--	--
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Revisions to Existing Academic Programs</u></p> <p>Last day to submit substantial revisions to existing academic programs for implementation in Fall 2028. Proposals must include approval memos from the relevant School leads (Dean, Curriculum or Executive Committees, and Department Chairs) and a list of the proposed changes.</p>	Monday, October 11, 2027	--	--

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Concentrations and/or Designated Emphases</u></p> <p>Last day to submit proposals for Concentrations and/or Designated Emphases to Graduate Council for review and possible approval for Fall 2028. Proposals will be accepted after this date but approval cannot be guaranteed for Fall implementation. The related policy is here and associated summary form here.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Monday, November 1, 2027</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">--</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">--</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Catalog</u></p> <p>Graduate Groups submit to Graduate Division revisions to the AY 28 - 29 UC Merced Catalog.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Monday, January 3, 2028</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">--</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">--</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Bylaws</u></p> <p>Last day to submit revised Bylaws to Graduate Council for internal review and approval for Fall 2028. The related policy is available here and the template here.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday, January 18, 2028</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">--</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">--</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Policies and Procedures</u></p> <p>Last day to submit revised Policies & Procedures to Graduate Council for internal review and approval for Fall 2028. The related policy and template are available here. Detailed instructions are here.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday, January 18, 2028</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">--</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">--</p>
<p>UC Merced – Office of the Registrar - Academic Calendar: https://registrar.ucmerced.edu/schedules/calendars</p>			