

★To apply, please contact the FBS Educational Affairs Section (seimei-daigakuin@office.osaka-u.ac.jp).

FBS Dissertation Defense Schedule (JUNE 2025 Completion)

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Date	Items	Note
2025	《Preliminary Defense》	
Mar. 13 (Thu)	[DEADLINE] Degree Application	Submit application including dissertation (PDF&original)
Mid-Apr.	<i>Doctor's Degree Qualifications Committee</i> will be held.	
May. 1 (Thu)	[DEADLINE] The <i>Preliminary Defense</i> must be held by this date.	
May. 7 (Wed)	[DEADLINE] Result Report of the <i>Preliminary Defense</i>	
Mid-May.	<i>Doctor's Degree Qualifications Committee</i> will be held	
	《Dissertation Defense》	
May. 21 (Wed)	<i>Dissertation Defense</i>	Venue: Seminar Room, 2F, BioSystems Bldg.
May. 23 (Fri)	[DEADLINE] Result Report of the <i>Dissertation Defense</i> & Form 7	
May. 26 (Mon)	[DEADLINE] Final Version of the Dissertation (PDF&original)	
Jun. 11 (Wed)	<i>FBS Faculty Meeting's Judgment on Degree Conferral</i>	

FBS Dissertation Defense Schedule (SEPTEMBER 2025 Completion)

*In addition to those expected to complete within the standard enrollment period, applicants for shortening the enrollment period and those who have exceeded the standard 5-year completion term (or 3 years for students who transferred into the 3rd year of the course) are eligible to apply.

Date	Items	Note
2024	《Consultations prior to the Preliminary Defense》	
Nov. 5 (Tue)	[DEADLINE] [form 1] Recommendation form for Preliminary Defense Committee member (Chair, Vice-Chair) candidates	The following students are also required to conduct a <i>Consultation Prior to the Preliminary Defense (Pre-Pre Defense)</i> .
Dec. 27 (Fri)	[DEADLINE] Hold the <i>Consultation Prior to the Preliminary Defense (Pre-Pre Defense)</i> by this date	☐ Those scheduled for early completion in September 2025.
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Jan. 9 (Thu)	[DEADLINE] Result report of the <i>Consultation Prior to the Preliminary Defense (Pre-Pre Defense)</i>	☐ Those who advanced to the D5 in or before September 2023, continue their enrollment beyond October 2024 and intend to complete in September 2025
	《Review for shortening the enrollment period》	*Applicable candidates only
May. 8 (Thu)	[DEADLINE] Application for shortening the enrollment period	
Early Jun.	<i>Accelerated Completion Review</i> will be conducted	
	《Preliminary Defense》	
Jun. 12 (Thu)	[DEADLINE] Degree Application	Submit application including dissertation (PDF&original)
Early-Jul.	<i>Doctor's Degree Qualifications Committee</i> will be held	
Jul. 28 (Mon)	[DEADLINE] The <i>Preliminary Defense</i> must be held by this date.	
Jul. 31 (Thu)	[DEADLINE] Result Report of the <i>Preliminary Defense</i>	
Mid-Aug.	<i>Doctor's Degree Qualifications Committee</i> will be held	
	《Dissertation Defense》	
Aug. 22 (Fri)	<i>Dissertation Defense</i>	Venue: Seminar Room, 2F, BioSystems Bldg.
Aug. 25 (Mon)	<i>Dissertation Defense</i> <backup date>	
Aug. 27 (Wed)	[DEADLINE] Result Report of the <i>Dissertation Defense</i> & Form 7	
Aug. 28 (Thu)	[DEADLINE] Final Version of the Dissertation (PDF&original)	
Sep. 10 (Wed)	<i>FBS Faculty Meeting's Judgment on Degree Conferral</i>	

[[IMPORTANT NOTE]

For those who wish to shorten the enrollment period without completing the mandatory enrollment period of five years (or three years for those who transferred into the 3rd year of the course)—one of the requirements for completing the doctoral program at FBS—it is necessary to undergo a review for shortening the enrollment period before applying for a doctoral degree. Only those whose request is approved through this review are eligible to apply for a doctoral degree without fulfilling the required period of enrollment. Students seeking early completion must obtain approval from their supervisor and submit the "在学期間短縮申請書 (Application Form for Shortening the Period of Enrollment)" by the specified deadline. **For details on the application procedures, please contact the FBS Educational Affairs Section.** Additionally, as applicants for shortening the enrollment period are expected to obtain their degree within one year, **they are also required to undergo *Consultation Prior to the Preliminary Defense (Pre-Pre Defense)*.**

FBS Dissertation Defense Schedule (DECEMBER 2025 completion)

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Date	Items	Note
2025	《Preliminary Defense》	
Sep. 11 (Thu)	[DEADLINE] Degree Application	Submit application including dissertation (PDF&original)
Early Oct.	<i>Doctor's Degree Qualifications Committee</i> will be held.	
Oct. 27 (Mon)	[DEADLINE] The <i>Preliminary Defense</i> must be held by this date.	
Oct. 29 (Wed)	[DEADLINE] Result Report of the <i>Preliminary Defense</i>	
Early Nov.	<i>Doctor's Degree Qualifications Committee</i> will be held	
	《Dissertation Defense》	
Nov. 20 (Thu)	<i>Dissertation Defense</i>	Venue: Seminar Room, 2F, BioSystems Bldg.
Nov. 25 (Tue)	[DEADLINE] Result Report of the <i>Dissertation Defense</i> & Form 7	
Nov. 25 (Tue)	[DEADLINE] Final Version of the Dissertation (PDF&original)	
Dec. 10 (Wed)	<i>FBS Faculty Meeting's</i> Judgment on Degree Conferral	

FBS Dissertation Defense Schedule (MARCH 2026 Completion)

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May. 22 (Thu)	[DEADLINE] 【form 1】Recommendation form for Preliminary Defense Committee member (Chair, Vice-Chair)	The following students are also required to conduct a <i>Consultation Prior to the Preliminary Defense (Pre-Pre Defense)</i> .
Jul. 28 (Mon)	[DEADLINE] Hold the <i>Consultation Prior to the Preliminary Defense (Pre-Pre Defense)</i> by this date	<input type="checkbox"/> Those scheduled for early completion in March 2026.
Aug. 1 (Thu)	[DEADLINE] Result report of the <i>Consultation Prior to the Preliminary Defense (Pre-Pre Defense)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Those who advanced to the D5 in or before March 2025, continue their enrollment beyond April 2025 and intend to complete in March 2026.
	《Review for shortening the enrollment period》	*Applicable candidates only
Nov. 13 (Thu)	[DEADLINE] Application for shortening the enrollment period	
Mid December	<i>Accelerated Completion Review</i> will be conducted	
2026	《Preliminary Defense》	
Jan. 6 (Tue)	[DEADLINE] Degree Application	Submit application including dissertation (PDF&original)
Mid January	<i>Doctor's Degree Qualifications Committee</i> will be held	
Jan. 30 (Fri)	[DEADLINE] The <i>Preliminary Defense</i> must be held by this date.	
Feb. 4 (Wed)	[DEADLINE] Result Report of the <i>Preliminary Defense</i>	
Mid February	<i>Doctor's Degree Qualifications Committee</i> will be held	
	《Dissertation Defense》	
Feb. 20 (Fri) Feb. 24 (Tue)	Dissertation Defense	Venue: Seminar Room, 2F, BioSystems Bldg.
Feb. 27 (Fri) by noon	[DEADLINE] Result Report of the <i>Dissertation Defense</i> & Form 7 Final Version of the Dissertation (PDF&original)	
Mar. 11 (Wed)	FBS Faculty Meeting's Judgment on Degree Conferral	

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