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FBS Dissertation Defense Schedule (JUNE 2026 Completion)

*Only 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
2026	《Preliminary Defense》	
Mar. 12 (Thu)	[DEADLINE] Degree Application	Submit application including dissertation (PDF)
Mid-Apr.	Determination of the Preliminary Defense Committee members	Conducted by Doctor's Degree Qualifications Committee.
Apr. 30 (Thu)	[DEADLINE] The <i>Preliminary Defense</i> must be held by this date.	
May. 8 (Fri)	[DEADLINE] Result Report of the <i>Preliminary Defense</i>	
Mid-May.	Determination of the Dissertation Committee members	Conducted by Doctor's Degree Qualifications Committee and faculty meeting.
	《Dissertation Defense》	
May. 27 (Wed)	<i>Dissertation Defense</i>	Venue: Seminar Room, 2F, BioSystems Bldg.
May. 29 (Fri)	[DEADLINE] Result Report of the <i>Dissertation Defense</i> (Form 7 & 8)	
Jun. 1 (Mon)	[DEADLINE] Final Version of the Dissertation (PDF)	
Jun. 8 (Mon)	<i>FBS Faculty Meeting's</i> Judgment on Degree Conferral	
Mid-June.	Docotral degree award notification	The conferment of the diploma will be in September.

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FBS Dissertation Defense Schedule (SEPTEMBER 2026 Completion)

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Date	Items	Note
2025	《Consultations prior to the Preliminary Defense》	
Nov. 5 (Wed)	[DEADLINE] Recommendation form for Pre-Preliminary Defense Committee Members	The following students are required to conduct a Consultation Prior to the Preliminary Defense (Pre-Pre Defense Consultation). □Those scheduled for early completion in September 2026. □Those in their 5th year (including those who have repeated the year) who advanced to the 3rd year (or enrolled as 3rd-year transfer students) in October.
Early-Dec.	Determination of the Pre-Preliminary Defense Committee members	
Dec. 26 (Fri)	[DEADLINE] Hold the Consultation Prior to the Preliminary Defense (Pre-Pre Defense Consultation) by this date	
2026	[DEADLINE] Result report of the Consultation Prior to the Preliminary Defense (Pre-Pre Defense Consultation)	
Jan. 9 (Fri)		
	《Review for shortening the enrollment period》	*Applicable candidates only
May. 8 (Fri)	[DEADLINE] Application for shortening the enrollment period	
Mid-May.	Accelerated Completion Review	Conducted by Doctor's Degree Qualifications Committee.
	《Preliminary Defense》	
Jun. 4 (Thu)	[DEADLINE] Degree Application	Submit application including dissertation (PDF)
Late-Jun.	Determination of the Preliminary Defense Committee members	Conducted by Doctor's Degree Qualifications Committee.
Jul. 21 (Tue)	[DEADLINE] The Preliminary Defense must be held by this date.	
Jul. 24 (Fri)	[DEADLINE] Result Report of the Preliminary Defense	
Aug. 5 (Wed)	Determination of the Dissertation Committee members	Conducted by Doctor's Degree Qualifications Committee and faculty meeting.
	《Dissertation Defense》	
Aug. 20 (Thu)	Dissertation Defense	Venue: Seminar Room, 2F, BioSystems Bldg.
Aug. 21 (Fri)	Dissertation Defense <backup date>	
Aug. 26 (Wed)	[DEADLINE] Result Report of the Dissertation Defense (Form 7 & 8) [DEADLINE] Final Version of the Dissertation (PDF)	
Sep. 9 (Wed)	FBS Faculty Meeting's Judgment on Degree Conferral	
Sep. 28 (Mon)	FBS Degree Conferment Ceremony	

[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 Consultation).

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Date	Items	Note
2026	《Preliminary Defense》	
Sep. 10 (Thu)	[DEADLINE] Degree Application	Submit application including dissertation (PDF)
Early Oct.	Determination of the Preliminary Defense Committee members	Conducted by Doctor's Degree Qualifications Committee.
Oct. 26 (Mon)	[DEADLINE] The <i>Preliminary Defense</i> must be held by this date.	
Oct. 28 (Wed)	[DEADLINE] Result Report of the <i>Preliminary Defense</i>	
Early Nov.	Determination of the Dissertation Committee members	Conducted by Doctor's Degree Qualifications Committee and faculty meeting.
	《Dissertation Defense》	
Nov. 19 (Thu)	<i>Dissertation Defense</i>	Venue: Seminar Room, 2F, BioSystems Bldg.
Nov. 24 (Tue)	[DEADLINE] Result Report of the <i>Dissertation Defense</i> (Form 7 & 8)	
Nov. 25 (Wed)	[DEADLINE] Final Version of the Dissertation (PDF)	
Dec. 9 (Wed)	<i>FBS Faculty Meeting</i> 's Judgment on Degree Conferral	
Mid-Dec.	Docotral degree award notification	The conferment of the diploma will be in March.

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FBS Dissertation Defense Schedule (MARCH 2027 Completion)

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May. 21 (Thu)	[DEADLINE] Recommendation form for Pre-Preliminary Defense Committee Members	<p>The following students are required to conduct a <i>Consultation Prior to the Preliminary Defense (Pre-Pre Defense Consultation)</i>.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Those scheduled for early completion in March 2027.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Those in their 5th year (including those who have repeated the year) who advanced to the 3rd year (or enrolled as 3rd-year transfer students) in April.</p>
Late-Jun.	Determination of the Pre-Preliminary Defense committee members	
Jul. 21 (Tue)	[DEADLINE] Hold the <i>Consultation Prior to the Preliminary Defense (Pre-Pre Defense Consultation)</i> by this date	
Jul. 24 (Thu)	[DEADLINE] Result report of the <i>Consultation Prior to the Preliminary Defense (Pre-Pre Defense Consultation)</i>	
	《Review for shortening the enrollment period》	*Applicable candidates only
Nov. 12 (Thu)	[DEADLINE] Application for shortening the enrollment period	
Mid-Dec.	<i>Accelerated Completion Review</i>	Conducted by Doctor's Degree Qualifications Committee.
2027	《Preliminary Defense》	
Jan. 5 (Tue)	[DEADLINE] Degree Application	Submit application including dissertation (PDF)
Mid-Jan.	Determination of the Preliminary Defense Committee members	Conducted by Doctor's Degree Qualifications Committee.
Jan. 29 (Fri)	[DEADLINE] The <i>Preliminary Defense</i> must be held by this date.	
Feb. 2 (Tue)	[DEADLINE] Result Report of the <i>Preliminary Defense</i>	
Feb. 10 (Wed)	Determination of the Dissertation Committee members	Conducted by Doctor's Degree Qualifications Committee and faculty meeting.
	《Dissertation Defense》	
Feb. 19 (Fri) Feb. 22 (Mon)	<i>Dissertation Defense</i>	Venue: Seminar Room, 2F, BioSystems Bldg.
Feb. 26 (Fri)	[DEADLINE] Result Report of the Dissertation Defense (Form 7 & 8) Final Version of the Dissertation (PDF)	
Mar. 10 (Wed)	<i>FBS Faculty Meeting's Judgment on Degree Conferral</i>	
Mar. 25 (Thu)	UOsaka and FBS Degree Conferment Ceremony	

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