



# NEW YORK MEDICAL COLLEGE

A MEMBER OF THE Touro College and University System

## Graduate School of Basic Medical Sciences

### ACADEMIC CALENDAR

### PHD STUDENTS

2020-2021

<b>FALL 2020</b>		
<b>Activity</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Applies to</b>
Registration	Monday, June 22 – Friday, August 23	All students
General orientation for new students	Monday, August 17 – Friday, August 21 There will be sessions every morning and some afternoons.	All new PhD & MD/PhD students
Research orientation for new students	Various dates: August 19 – August 26 Overview of research programs within each basic science department. (5-6 sessions)	All new PhD & MD/PhD students
Classes begin	Monday, August 24	All students
Meeting with 1 <sup>st</sup> -year Academic Advisor	August 17 – September 4 Each student meets with his/her own Academic Advisor.	All new PhD students
Research rotation #1	Rotation request forms due in GSBMS office: Friday, September 4  Rotation dates: Tuesday, September 8 – Friday, Dec. 11 Hours by arrangement with Rotation Advisor.  Deadline to submit rotation report (abstract): Friday, Dec. 11	First-year IPP students
Form Advisory Committees	Friday, August 28	Rising 2 <sup>nd</sup> -year IPP PhD, 1 <sup>st</sup> -year AS PhD & 1 <sup>st</sup> -year MD/PhD students
Deadline to apply to graduate in December	Tuesday, October 1	PhD students graduating in December 2020
Last day to submit approved thesis	Monday, November 2	PhD students graduating in December 2020
Deadline to apply to graduate in May	Monday, November 30	PhD & MD/PhD students graduating in May 2021
Semester ends	Wednesday, December 16	All students
Meeting with 1 <sup>st</sup> -year Academic Advisor	Mid-December through January 3	1 <sup>st</sup> -year PhD & MD/PhD students
Holiday break	Friday, December 18, 2020 – Friday, January 1, 2021	All PhD students

## SPRING 2021

Activity	Dates	Applies to
Registration	Monday, November 23, 2021 – Sunday, January 10, 2020	All students
Classes begin	Monday, January 11	All students
Research rotation #2	Rotation request forms due in GSBMS office: Monday, December 9, 2019  Rotation dates: Monday, January 4 – Friday, May 8 Hours by arrangement with rotation advisor.  Deadline to submit rotation report (abstract): Friday, May 8	1 <sup>st</sup> -year IPP students
Graduate Student Research Forum	Tuesday, March 16	All students
Spring break	Saturday, April 3 – Sunday, April 11	All students
Last day to defend dissertation	Thursday, March 18	PhD students graduating in May 2021
Last day to submit approved thesis	Thursday, April 1	PhD students graduating in May 2021
Deadline to apply to graduate in August	Monday, April 19	PhD students graduating in August 2021
Semester ends	Monday, May 10	All students
Meeting with 1 <sup>st</sup> -year Academic Advisor	May 10 – 24	All 1 <sup>st</sup> -year PhD & MD/PhD students
Last day to defend dissertation to walk in 2021 May Commencement	Friday, May 14	PhD students graduating in August 2021
Commencement	Thursday, May 20	All graduating students
Vacation	See note below ‡	All PhD students

‡ N.B. Students are entitled to two weeks of *vacation* that may be taken between the end of August and the start of classes in September. The dates of the vacation must be approved by their rotation or dissertation advisor *and* their program director, department chair or dean. Second-year students should NOT make vacation plans that will conflict with scheduled qualifying exams. Students who have passed their qualifying examination may take their allocated vacation time at any time throughout the year, with the approval of their dissertation sponsors and provided that there is no conflict with courses in which they are enrolled.

## SUMMER 2021

Activity	Dates	Applies to
Registration	Monday, April 26 – Sunday, May 30	All students
Classes begin	Tuesday, June 1	All students
Research rotation #3	Rotation request forms due in GSBMS office: Tuesday, May 4  Rotation dates: Monday, May 17 – Friday, August 6 Hours by arrangement with rotation sponsor.  Deadline to submit rotation report (abstract): Friday, August 7	1 <sup>st</sup> -year PhD students
Last day to defend dissertation	Thursday, June 3	PhD & MD/PhD students graduating in August 2021
Last day to submit approved thesis	Friday, June 18	PhD & MD/PhD students graduating in August 2021
Semester ends	Wednesday, July 28	All students
Qualifying exam †	Monday, July 19 – Friday, July 23 3 days, schedule TBA  Monday, August 23 – Friday, August 27 3 days, schedule TBA	2 <sup>nd</sup> -year PhD students *
Vacation ‡	See note below ‡	All PhD students
Declaration of major	Monday, July 12	1 <sup>st</sup> -year PhD students

\* First-year PhD students with advanced standing and first-year MD/PhD students may also sit for the Qualifying Examination upon the recommendation of their program.

† Most students will take the exam during one of the designated weeks in either July or August. Students who have just completed their required coursework in the Spring term may defer until September, with the approval of the program faculty. Alternative dates may be scheduled with the approval of the Dean.

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