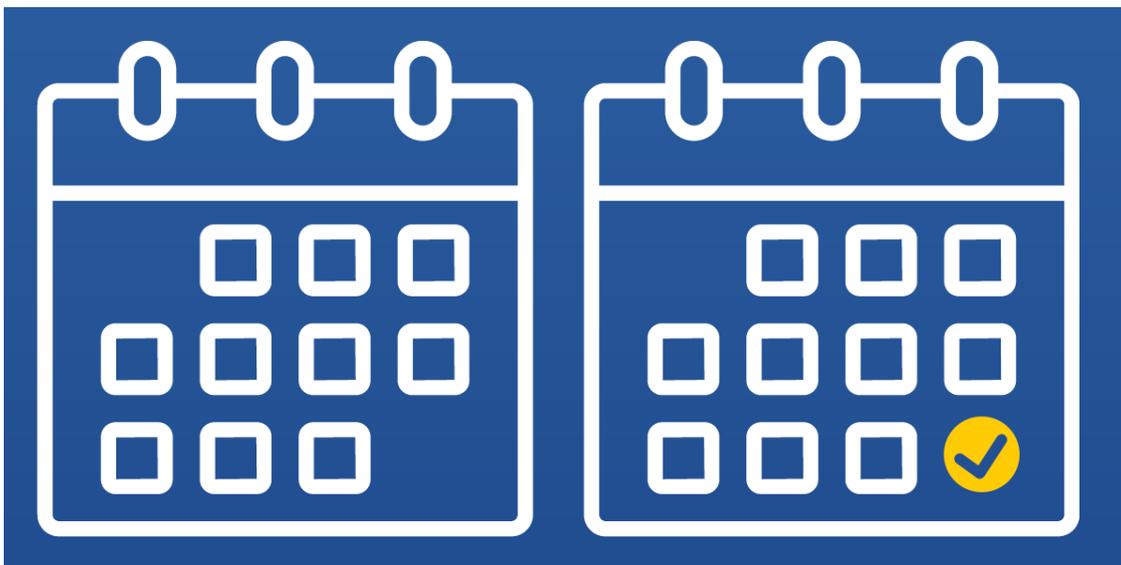

Grad Student Newsletter: Deadline Extensions and Grading Adjustments for Winter 2020 Term

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Deadline Extensions and Grading Adjustments for Winter 2020 Term

To address the challenges that COVID-19 has generated for the Rackham community, and as an exception to regular policy, the Rackham Executive Board has approved the [extension of certain academic deadlines](#), along with an [adjusted grading policy](#), for the winter 2020 term.

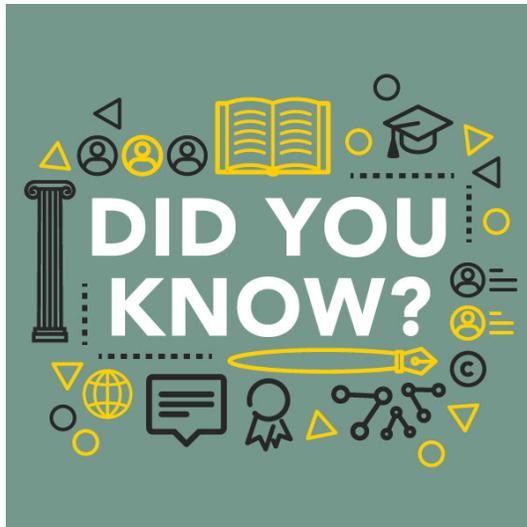
Deadline Extensions

- The winter 2020 term grace period for conducting the defense and filing the dissertation under winter 2020 registration has been extended until **August 18**.
- The winter 2020 term deadline for completing candidacy exams under winter 2020 registration has been extended until **September 2**.
- The deadline for master's and certificate students to apply for graduation is April 21. The extended deadline for these students to submit all final required work for conferral of the degree or certificate in spring 2020 is **May 8**.

Adjusted Grading Policy

All graduate students enrolled in Rackham programs will receive a grade of either "Satisfactory" ("S") or "No Record Covid" ("NRC") for coursework graded on the letter system. A grade of S will earn course credit. Until July 1, 2020, students will be allowed to review their course grade and convert grades of S and NRC into letter grades if they wish. This policy will apply only to graduate students enrolled in Rackham programs for the winter 2020 term, and will not be available for courses that have been graded before March 10.

Full details on these extended deadlines and the adjusted grading policy are available through [Rackham's COVID-19 Resource Page](#).



Consulting for Statistics, Computing, and Analytics Research (CSCAR)

CSCAR remains fully operational for remote consultations. U-M graduate students are encouraged to take advantage of this service. CSCAR consultants can provide guidance on data analysis, statistical methodology, and research computing, including remote use of U-M research computing systems such as Greatlakes. CSCAR workshops continue to be held, via BlueJeans. Email deskpeople@umich.edu to schedule an appointment, or visit [cscar-go.appspot.com/client_dashboard](https://go.appspot.com/client_dashboard). Email research questions to ds-consulting@umich.edu. Administrative questions should be directed to cscar@umich.edu. At this time, CSCAR cannot be reached by telephone.

EVENTS

Online: Write-Together

Monday, March 30, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

NEW [Online: GRIN Faculty Panel and Mentorship](#)
Friday, March 27, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

NEW [Webinar: Filing Taxes for Graduate Students](#)
Monday, April 6, 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

[Online: Write-Together](#)
Monday, April 6, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

NEW [Online: Rackham North—Research-Based Strategies for Overcoming Imposter Syndrome](#)
Thursday, April 9, 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

NEW [Online: Write-Together](#)
Monday, April 13, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

NEW [Online: Rackham North—Designing Your Curriculum Vitae](#)
Thursday, April 16, 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

NEW [Webinar: Nailing the Job Search in Uncertain Times—Part 1 \(Inner Work\)](#)
Thursday, April 30, 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.

NEW [Webinar: Nailing the Job Search in Uncertain Times—Part 2 \(Outer Work/Tactics\)](#)
Thursday, May 7, 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.

ITEMS OF NOTE



GSSA Position

[This position](#) works with Rackham's Professional and Academic Development Team, and specifically with the Academic Program Manager for Public Scholarship to develop, implement, facilitate, and evaluate programs for graduate students related to public scholarship, experiential learning, and community engagement.



Engaged Pedagogy Initiative

Are you interested in developing a syllabus for a community-engaged learning course and connecting with an interdisciplinary cohort of peers from across campus? If so, consider applying to the [Engaged Pedagogy Initiative](#)

The individual in this role also assists with coordinating various aspects of the planning and evaluation of all of Rackham's current public scholarship programs including Public Scholarship Grants, Mellon Public Engagement and the Humanities, the Engaged Pedagogy Initiative, and internship program. Application deadline: **April 10**

(EPI). The EPI is an intensive, semester long community-engaged learning workshop for graduate students that allows them to explore the theoretical foundations and ethical implications of Community-Engaged Learning. Participants are called EPI fellows. Application deadline: **May 1**

GSRA Funding Opportunity This opportunity is for doctoral students to pursue research projects that seek to prevent and alleviate poverty in Michigan, the nation, and the world. Research that can inform existing policies, practices, and interventions or inform future policy directions are strongly encouraged. There will be up to three GSRA positions for exceptionally creative, action-based, and impactful projects. Deadline extended: **March 31**

Updated **Spring/Summer Internship Grants for Bioscience Doctoral Students** These Rackham internship grants will fund a supervised practical experience for a maximum of 12 weeks during the spring/summer terms that provides insights into career opportunities for doctoral students enrolled in bioengineering, biological, biomedical, or health sciences programs. Internships can be on-campus or off-campus and take place in industry or government, academic (e.g., small college), or other non-profit settings. **Important update related to COVID-19:** Please note that Rackham is currently moving forward with awarding internship funds as planned. However, these funds are contingent upon university, state, and federal policy. As stated on the **U-M COVID-19 update webpage**, this is a rapidly evolving situation, and internship and relocation funds may be affected by travel restrictions, an extension of the "Stay Home, Stay Safe" Executive Order, etc. Application deadline: **April 3**

NEW Domestic Student Health Insurance Plan: Special Enrollment In response to the COVID-19 outbreak, the U-M Domestic Student Health Insurance Plan has opened enrollment for immediate coverage. The coverage dates will be March 23, 2020 to August 23, 2020 (the last day for the 2019-20 plan). The premium cost for an individual student is \$713 and payment is due at the time of enrollment. Enrollment deadline: **April 6**

Winter Term Degree Completion Master's and Certificate students who anticipate graduating at the end of the winter term 2020 must submit a degree application via Wolverine Access. Applications will be accepted until the last day of classes: **April 21**

Mentoring Plan Workshop This workshop helps to enhance the mentoring relationship between the student and faculty mentor. Faculty and students will work independently to identify their own objectives and styles initially, and then faculty-student pairs have time to work together to develop a mentoring plan: a two-way document to codify goals, needs, and shared expectations. Our mentoring committee places high value on this exercise. Of the Rackham students who have written mentoring plans, 86 percent report that they find them useful. Registration is required of both the faculty and student. Lunch will be provided. **May 8**

Summer Session in Epidemiology The School of Public Health's Summer Session in Epidemiology (SSE) is accepting applications for funds made available from Rackham to encourage and support doctoral students to attend the 2020 SSE program. The curriculum includes two, three-week courses covering basic epidemiology and biostatistics, and 22 one-week offerings covering topics in epidemiology, biostatistics, data management, and public health practice. Application deadline: **May 15**

NEW **Survey** Rackham Student Government (RSG), Students of Color of Rackham Graduate School (SCOR), and Graduate Rackham International (GRIN) are teaming together to plan a series of panel discussions regarding topics that will likely be discussed at the Presidential Debate in 2020. These panels will feature University of Michigan faculty and will be moderated by graduate students in political science.

FELLOWSHIP DEADLINES

Rackham Spring/Summer Internship Grants for Bioscience Doctoral Students April 3, 2020

Doctoral

Graduate Student Professional Travel with Children Grant Ongoing

Master's | Doctoral | Travel | Parents

Professional Development Grant Ongoing

Doctoral | Professional Development

Rackham Conference Travel Grant Ongoing

Master's | Doctoral | Travel

Rackham Graduate Student Emergency Funds Ongoing

Master's | Doctoral

Rackham Graduate Student Research Grants Ongoing

Master's | Doctoral | Research

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