

M.S. GEOGRAPHY PROGRAM SCHEDULE OF MILESTONES FOR STUDENTS

(Please note all deadlines **in red**)

First semester

- Take GEOG501 course

Second semester

- Take GEOG502 course
- Confirm committee chair (**by February 1**)
- Select committee members and submit signed committee form to GES office (**by April 1**)
- Submit signed Program of Study to GES office (**by April 15**)

As needed

- Update chair and/or committee members; submit updated committee form to GES office
- Requests approvals from grad director for POS exemptions

Semester before graduation

- Confirm with DA that you intend to graduate in next semester (**by last week of semester**)

Semester of graduation

- Schedule defense date/time with committee (**by Sep 1 for fall or Feb 1 for spring**)
- Work with DA to schedule room (**as soon as day/time is confirmed**)
- Submit “Announcement of Exam” form to GES office (**two weeks before defense**)
- Defend thesis or Master’s Project (**no later than Nov 1 for fall or Apr 1 for spring**)
- Complete revisions; submit paperwork to OGS (**by Nov 15 for fall, or Apr 15 for spring**)