

BCS Request for Thesis/Dissertation Defense Guidelines

Defending your Dissertation is just one of the many steps in completing your requirements for graduation, some of which begin before the semester starts. Please read carefully and plan ahead to avoid delays and stress at an already busy time in your academic career. Contact your college with further questions.

Semester before Defense

Please complete the following items the semester before you intend to defend:

Review Supervisory Committee Form

The supervisory committee form currently on file should match all the committee members for your planned defense.

Request a Graduation Check from your program/department.

The courses you have completed need to match the requirements in the catalog of the year posted to your account.

Discuss with your committee potential dates for the following semester to defend your thesis/dissertation.

Plan around holidays, conferences and vacations to ensure your committee is available.

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Completion of CBCS Dissertation Defense Packet

Forms can be found at the college website <https://www.usf.edu/cbcs/> .