Thesis Deadlines Spring 2019

Here’s the MIT libraries thesis specs to look over when you have a chance (not necessary until you begin writing your actual thesis and don’t worry about their deadlines or what they want you to do to it when you turn it in. I’ll go over all that with you

https://libraries.mit.edu/archives/thesis-specs/

Friday, February 15

Check in with your thesis advisor and Tobie with your plan for completing the thesis on time. For this meeting bring an outline with your plan for completing your thesis with dates. You should also give this outline (or come up with one with your thesis advisor) to your thesis advisor.

Discuss second reader choices and begin to ask faculty to be your second reader

Friday, March 1

First meeting to discuss your progress (time and location TBA)
I’ll provide lunch. Let me know if you have an academic conflict and are unable to make this meeting. Come prepared to give an update on your progress since your prospectus presentation.

You should be sending chapters or pieces of your thesis to your thesis advisor, receiving comments back and making changes based on comments.

Friday, March 15

All thesis supervisor and second reader forms must be signed and turned into the Undergraduate Office by Friday, March 16

Continue to turn in chapters/pieces of your thesis to your thesis advisor for comments. Between now and spring break you will be turning in chapters/pieces of your thesis to your thesis advisor, receiving comments back and making changes based on comments.

Friday, March 22

A good deal of your work should have been turned in to your thesis advisor by
this date. You should have received comments from your advisor and you are revising these parts of your thesis.

**Friday, April 5**

Second meeting to discuss your progress (Time and location TBA) and go over all your questions about thesis submission and schedule.

**Week of April 8-12**

First draft of your thesis due to thesis advisor and second reader for comments

**Friday, April 26**

Final draft of your thesis due to your thesis advisor and second reader. At this time you will make changes on your thesis based on comments from your thesis advisor and second reader.

**Between April 26 and May 10 – Defense of thesis**

You will schedule a presentation to present your findings to the members of the department. You will receive final comments on your thesis from your thesis advisor and second reader. After a discussion with your thesis advisor, you will want to make some changes based on comments from other people at the presentation.

**Friday, May 10**

This is the official Institute deadline for theses other than doctoral (don’t panic our deadline is later)

**Thursday, May 16**

Graduation Champagne Party (yay!)

**Thursday, May 23 **

This is our (Political Science Department) final deadline for turning in your thesis to your advisor and the Undergraduate Office.

If you miss this deadline you will not be
cleared for graduation in June.

Final, perfect, signed (by your thesis advisor and second reader) thesis is due in undergraduate office E53-484. You will turn in at least one copy of your thesis (on MIT archival bond – or thesis paper) to Tobie and another copy (this one doesn’t have to be on thesis paper) to your thesis advisor.