

SUMMER & MAY FAQ: 2015

The May session is a session during the summer term and not a separate term or semester.

Summer Term:
Monday, May 11 to Friday, July 31

May Session:
Monday, May 11 to Friday, June 5

Summer Session:
Monday, June 15 to Friday, July 31

Who is eligible for “free” May credits?

Graduate students are eligible for 3 “free” credits in the May session if they:

- meet the Ohio State full-time enrollment requirements in the spring semester and
- are not graduating at the end of spring semester, with the exception of dual degree graduate students who are continuing their second degree after spring semester and doctoral students who are receiving a master’s degree spring semester but are continuing in their PhD program.

NOTE: If students drop or withdraw after the refund period for spring semester, their eligibility for the May session tuition credit is not affected.

What is covered by “free” May registration?

The 3 tuition credits only apply to courses offered in May session, not for summer session or summer term courses. Graduate students may enroll for a maximum of 4 credits in May session. If students are eligible for the 3 “free” credits and choose to enroll in 4 credits in the May session, they will have to pay for the 1 credit that is not covered unless it is paid by a tuition and fee authorization.

The “free” credits only cover general fees, instructional fees, and non-resident fees. Other fees will be assessed as appropriate and are to be paid by students or, if students are eligible, by their tuition and fee authorization.

Payment deadlines

The tuition and fee payment deadline for May session, summer session, and summer term is Monday, May 11

However, graduate students who plan to complete their master’s final examination or candidacy examination or dissertation defense in May must pay all summer fees (including those assessed for May session) prior to their exam being scheduled or held. The student statement of account on SIS must show that summer tuition and fees have been paid in full.

Deadlines for August commencement

May 29: Application to graduate must be submitted to the Graduate School

July 17: Oral and written examinations must be completed

July 24: Final theses and dissertations must be submitted to the Graduate School

Summer graduation eligibility

Graduate students who are enrolled for at least 3 credits in May session meet the registration requirements to graduate in August.

Summer commencement

Students completing degree requirements during the May session will graduate at the end of the summer term. There is no May session commencement. Summer commencement is on Sunday, August 9.

Full-time requirements for spring

Most graduate/graduate-professional..... 8 HOURS
 Graduate Associates 8 HOURS
 Graduate fellows/traineeship..... 12 HOURS
 Post-candidacy3 HOURS

Full-time requirements for summer

Graduate Associates (50%)4 HOURS
 Graduate Associates (25%)..... 2 HOURS
 Fellows 6 HOURS
 Post-candidacy students3 HOURS

