

Dissertation Defense Process

01

Know the Deadlines and Guidelines for Planning Your Defense & Apply to Graduate

Degree candidates submit the application for degree on [ULink](#) before the deadline specified on the [website](#).

[Deadlines](#) to submit the final copy of written dissertation.

Graduate School [guidelines](#)

* Must complete dissertation in 4 calendar years after comprehensive

02

Submit *Dissertation Defense Scheduling Form*

Student emails [form](#) to ISSTBE program directors with completed ISSTBE flight plan to schedule their dissertation defense. This form is due no later than 3 weeks before the oral defense.

03

Finalize Dissertation

Email [Courtney Kerr](#) to review for dissertation formatting.

At least 2 weeks prior to dissertation defense presentation date, student submits a copy of written dissertation to committee members.

04

Defend Dissertation

Student submits dissertation presentation to ISSTBE program directors & committee members prior to presentation.

Advisor brings and collects completed dissertation evaluation forms from each committee member. They must be emailed to ISSTBE program directors [immediately](#) after defense.

Student collects signatures on electronic dissertation signature [page](#) and submits it to Courtney Kerr via email.

05

Submit Final Dissertation

Student incorporates changes from committee and format changes from Courtney Kerr. Student obtains final approval on dissertation from advisor and Courtney Kerr.

Student follows the directions from Courtney Kerr to submit final dissertation electronically (example of 2020 [directions](#))

Student submits ISSTBE [exit survey](#) to ISSTBE program directors.

Student submits final dissertation with electronic signature page to ISSTBE program directors.

Final Semester of Doctoral Candidacy

CONGRATS!