

MA Paper Deadlines for May 2012

- Feb. 1.....Diploma Applications Due (GRS Records, CAS 112)
- Feb. 6.....Signed Paper Proposals Due (Michael)
- March 30.....Deadline to Inform Michael of Commencement Plans
- April 9.....Signed Defense Authorization Forms Due (Michael)
- April 17.....Final Paper Due, 4 Hard Copies Plus Electronic (Michael)
- 4/23 – 5/4.....Oral Defense Period

Additional Notes:

- 1) Before defending, you must have completed ALL other degree requirements, including Statistics, Foreign Language, and Coursework.
- 2) In order to defend, you must be registered for Spring 2012. Talk with Michael if you need assistance with this.
- 3) Any Oral Defense scheduling requests must be submitted to me via email by April 9. Please note that scheduling requests can be made only for substantive issues. Requests for media equipment or for specific professors to be on your panel must also be submitted by this date.
- 4) There will be a Foreign Language exam offered on Friday, March 23. (Time and Location TBD). If you have not yet passed the Foreign Language exam and plan to defend in September, this will be your last chance to pass the exam. The deadline to register is March 9. Registration will open soon. See: www.bu.edu/ir/graduate/current/exam/#register.
- 5) Please remember that your paper advisor will need at least a few days to review your paper proposal and draft before giving you the authorization to proceed. Please talk with your advisor about this and take it into account when planning to meet the deadlines. **Your paper proposal and defense authorization forms must be signed by your advisor prior to submission to Michael.**
- 6) If you submit a Paper Proposal but then do not defend, you will need to submit a Change of Defense Date form to Michael by the Paper Proposal Deadline of the new term in which you plan to defend. You will also need to submit a new Diploma Application with GRS, by the deadline set by GRS for the term in which you plan to defend. Finally, you will also need to register as a continuing student for the new term. Talk with Michael if you have any questions about any of this. All of these steps will also need to be taken if you defend but do not pass your defense.