☐ **SEPTEMBER 13th – DEADLINE** – Submit **INTENT TO GRADUATE** form to the Graduate School Office ([dewolfe@wakehealth.edu](mailto:dewolfe@wakehealth.edu)).

☐ **DISSERTATION/ThESIS FORMATTING REQUIREMENTS** – Review attached instructions for formatting your dissertation or thesis. It may also be helpful to review current ETD's (Electronic Thesis Dissertation) “Steps to Prepare & Submit an ETD” at [http://etd.wfu.edu/](http://etd.wfu.edu/).

☐ **ETD COPYRIGHT QUESTIONS** – Molly Keener, Scholarly Communication Librarian, is available for ETD copyright and embargo questions. She may be reached at [keenerm@wfu.edu](mailto:keenerm@wfu.edu).

☐ **GRADUATE FACULTY** - All committee members must be on Graduate Faculty. You may request **Temporary Graduate Faculty** status for a committee member who is not on Graduate Faculty. This request, along with the member’s CV, should be sent electronically to Jennie McGuire, Enrollment Manager at [Jennie.McGuire@wakehealth.edu](mailto:Jennie.McGuire@wakehealth.edu) for approval. The Graduate Faculty directory may be found at [http://internal.graduate.wfu.edu/faculty/directory.html](http://internal.graduate.wfu.edu/faculty/directory.html).

☐ **ACTION** – Distribute photocopies or electronic copies of your completed dissertation/thesis to your committee members approximately three weeks prior to the final defense date.

☐ **ACTION** – Notify the Graduate School once your defense has been scheduled by sending an email to [dewolfe@wakehealth.edu](mailto:dewolfe@wakehealth.edu). Include the date, time, and location of your defense along with a copy of your title page so the Graduate School can send out the official email notification and voting ballot to your committee.

☐ **DECEMBER 4th – DEFENSE DEADLINE**

☐ **BALLOT** - Verify your committee’s chair has submitted the results ballot to Graduate School Office within 2 days after the defense. This ballot should be submitted to Denise Wolfe at [dewolfe@wakehealth.edu](mailto:dewolfe@wakehealth.edu).

☐ **BOUND COPIES** - Check with your department for any bound thesis/dissertation requirements. Copies can be ordered through ZSR Library by contacting Doris Jones [djones@wfu.edu](mailto:djones@wfu.edu) as well as through online services.

☐ **DECEMBER 11th – Final DEADLINE** to submit:

   ☐ **Graduation Fee** – Your graduation fee of $150 has been added to your student account and may be paid through your PeopleSoft Student Account.

   ☐ **ETD Student Advisor Agreement** - Submit the agreement form to the Graduate School office. It is important that the embargo you select matches your ETD submission with ProQuest.

   ☐ **ETD** - Submit your dissertation/thesis online at [http://etd.wfu.edu/](http://etd.wfu.edu/). You will receive an email notification once it’s been reviewed if formatting corrections are required. Final approval will also be sent via email.
NOTE – The following Actions must be completed prior to the receipt of your diploma, final transcript, or degree verification.

ACTION – Graduate School Exit Survey – Please complete the following Exit Survey at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KGGJJVF?sm=gS95qUfHP7PVV2P9Hj3XJA%3d%3d.

ACTION – Survey of Earned Doctorate – All PhD students must also complete the online survey at https://sed-nces.org

ACTION – Schedule appointment to take laptop by Academic Computing for cleanup and sign HIPAA Exit form (ACLAB_DL@wakehealth.edu).

ACTION – Cancel student insurance or make arrangements for a continuation policy. Student financials (studentfinancials@wakehealth.edu) can assist you with this process.

NOTE: If you fail to cancel your student health insurance policy for the term AFTER you graduate, a premium will automatically post to your student account. Ph.D. candidates – the Graduate School supplement will discontinue the same month your stipend is discontinued.

ACTION – only if a Federal student loan borrower

Complete Federal online exit counseling at https://studentloans.gov/myDirectLoan/counselingInstructions.action?counselingType=exit. This is required for all graduating Federal loan borrowers.

Schedule an exit counseling meeting with Financial at (finaid@wakehealth.edu) if you would like to discuss loan repayment further.

HOLDS - Check student account in PeopleSoft to verify there are no financial holds on your account. Transcripts and diplomas cannot be released until holds are removed.

DIPLOMAS may be picked up on or after January 8TH. If you wish your diploma mailed please send an email to Denise Wolfe at dewolfe@wakehealth.edu.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS (If Applicable) –

- Check with your Program/Department Administrative person to make sure all of your school travel has been closed out.
- Return all keys to the department/program.
- Return all library materials (for either campus).
- Request an “Authorization of Release of Medicine Records” from Employee Health to receive copies of your immunization record to take with you.

Update your address/email and phone number in: 1) student account in PeopleSoft, 2) Denise Wolfe at dewolfe@wakehealth.edu, and 3) HR/Payroll (wakepayroll@wakehealth.edu) for receipt of your W-2 for stipend recipients.

GRADUATION CEREMONIES –

You will be invited to the Hooding & Awards Ceremony and Commencement on May 16, and May 18, 2020, respectively. Watch for more information on graduation and the regalia order in early 2020.