

## **SUBMISSION DATES FOR STUDENTS EXPECTING TO COMPLETE THESIS/PROJECT FOR END OF SPRING 2019 SEMESTER**

**SPRING 2019 GRADES DUE  
THURSDAY, MAY 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 – BEFORE NOON.**

With approval of the thesis advisor, a copy of the thesis/project must be submitted to the Dean's Office for faculty review **a minimum of two (2) weeks prior to defending.** Changes to the review copy are allowed, but the final product must be (substantially) the same in content or a new review copy must be submitted. Please note that no extensions will be given, for the review or final thesis copies, except for documented, extenuating circumstances. Extensions may only be granted through the Dean's Office.

Final day/date for Defense/Presentation:

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2019**

Final day/date for submission of review copy:

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2019**

Four (4) copies of the final thesis/project signed by the thesis advisor must be submitted to the Dean's Office on or before:

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 2019 - 4:00 P.M.**

One searchable pdf file of your approved thesis is to be emailed to Dean Raja (araja@cooper.edu) on or before:

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Bound copies of the thesis will be available for pickup in the Dean's Office. Please contact [Daria@cooper.edu](mailto:Daria@cooper.edu) for information on when they will be available.

**Degree will be conferred in May 2019.**

<p>Spring 2019 defense: Students may submit their projects and complete their defense/presentations in the first two weeks of the Spring 2019 semester to be <b>exempted from paying tuition and fees for the Spring 2019 semester.</b> The review copy is due <u>January 14, 2019</u> and the final day for thesis defense/presentation is <u>January 28, 2019</u>. All paperwork must be submitted no later than <u>February 11, 2019</u>. Students who meet these deadlines will have their degree conferred in May of 2019.</p>
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## GUIDELINES FOR THE MASTER'S THESIS

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One copy of the thesis for faculty review must be made available in the Dean's office **a minimum of two weeks before the thesis defense**. The copy must be contained in some type of binder (loose pages, unbound folders, manila envelopes, etc. are unacceptable).

After a thesis is successfully defended and the thesis report is finalized with the student's advisor, **THREE** copies of the thesis (one for the student, one for the library and one for the advisor – please note if you have more than one advisor, additional copies of the thesis should be submitted for each additional advisor) along with the appropriate check, are to be delivered to Daria Sapienza in the Dean's Office as described below. All thesis copies must include the signature of your thesis advisor.

- These copies for binding, to be printed on **white** paper with at least 20% rag/cotton (often referred to as "business" paper.) The student is responsible for the binding fees before the degree can be issued. The School will arrange for the binding. The current cost for three (3) copies is **\$300.00** (\$100/copy). The check should be made payable to **The Cooper Union**. (If a student has more than one advisor, please supply the appropriate number of thesis copies and increase the check amount as appropriate.)

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