

# **Request to Defer Graduate Start Term Due to COVID-19 Concerns**

The University of Utah understands that the current COVID-19 situation has impacted the ability of some incoming graduate students to start their studies for the term for which they were originally admitted. If you were originally admitted to a graduate program at the University of Utah for the Spring 2021 or Summer 2021 terms and are unable to attend due to COVID-19 concerns, you may request permission to defer the start of your graduate program up to Fall 2021.

**Instructions for student:** To request a deferment, please complete the “Graduate Student Request” section of this form and return it to your academic department at the University of Utah. If your academic department approves your request, they will complete the “For Department Use Only” section of the form and forward it to the University of Utah Office of Admissions for processing by the first day of your original admit term.

- **The deadline for you and your department to submit this form is the first day of classes of your original admit term. Late deferment requests will not be accepted.**
- **Once your deferment request has been approved, a deferment reversal to your original admit term will not be granted.**
- **Each student is entitled to a single deferment request- subsequent deferrals will not be accepted and will require the student to reapply for a future term.**

Students whose deferment requests have been approved will receive a formal letter from the Office of Admissions.

## **Graduate Student Request**

**Full Name:**

**Student ID (uNID):**

**Student Email:**

**Graduate Program:**

**Admit Term:**      Spring 2021                  Summer 2021

**Requested Deferment Term:**      Summer 2021                  Fall 2021

By signing and submitting this request for deferment, you are confirming you understand the specifications listed above, you intend to attend the University of Utah and you agree to the following conditions:

- Enrollment at another university during the deferment period is not permitted unless prior approval is given by your academic department at the University of Utah.
- You must notify your academic department at the University of Utah if you become a matriculated student at another institution during the deferment period.
- The University of Utah retains the right to terminate your matriculation into your graduate program if you decide to matriculate into a graduate program at a different institution.

Failure to meet these terms may result in the revocation of admission. In such a case, you will need to reapply for a future term.

**Only handwritten, electronic, or digital signatures will be accepted. Forms submitted with a typed signature will not be accepted.**

**Signature:**

**Date:**

**For Department Use Only**

Instructions for department:

**The deadline to submit this form is the first day of classes of the student's original admit term.**

If the department approves the above student's request to defer their start term, please sign and complete all sections of the "For Department Use Only" section. Return the complete form to [admissions\\_deferment@utah.edu](mailto:admissions_deferment@utah.edu). Remember to keep a copy of this form for your records.

**Department Contact Name:**

**Department Contact uNID:**

**Department Contact Email:**

**Signature**

**Date:**