**Spring 2020 Deadline extensions for graduation and thesis/dissertation defenses (Graduate School only)**

1) Non-thesis students may request a one-month time extension beyond the end of Spring classes in order to finish up a final project (non-thesis) due to a delay caused by issues outside the student’s control. The extension request has the following requirements:

- The Director of Graduate Studies must submit a written request for an extension due to a late grade. Submit the request by email to Darci Rollins (gradrecords@gradschool.utah.edu) by April 29, 2020 so that she may begin the clearance process for Spring 2020 graduation.

- All other requirements for the degree (besides the late final project grade) should have been accomplished and recorded (supervisory committee, the program of study approval, preliminary exams, file for Spring 2020 graduation, etc.) on or before the last day of finals Spring 2020 (April 29, 2020).

- All projects must be completed and final grades posted by May 29, 2020 for a Spring 2020 graduation.

The Graduate School will work with the Registrar’s office to have qualifying students retroactively graduated effective Spring 2020.

2) For graduate programs requiring a formal thesis/dissertation defense and publication of the dissertation manuscript, an extension is possible to allow delayed students to graduate in Summer 2020 without registering for Summer 2020 classes.

- The Director of Graduate Studies must submit a written request for an extension for a late Spring 2020 dissertation defense. Submit the request by email to Darci Rollins (gradrecords@gradschool.utah.edu) by April 29, 2020 to receive the extension.

The thesis/extension has additional timing requirements which also must be met:

- The student will submit the final dissertation manuscript to the research supervisor by the last day of Finals, Spring 2020 (April 29, 2020).

- The student will submit their dissertation to the supervisory committee no later than May 15, 2020.

- The student will successfully defend their dissertation by May 29, 2020.

- The student will submit their dissertation manuscript to the thesis office by the Summer 2020 deadline (large manuscript: June 12, 2020; regular manuscript: June 19, 2020). Dissertations which are rejected for acceptance due to poor formatting will not count towards meeting this dissertation submission requirement.

Thesis/Dissertation defenses meeting the above requirements will be considered as occurring during the Spring 2020 semester. The Graduate School will not require qualifying students to register for Summer 2020 classes for continuous registration.