

## INTRODUCTION

Completion of the master's thesis or doctoral dissertation is generally the final step in earning a graduate degree. This guide is designed to help the student present the results of graduate study and research for the use and interest of the academic community and the public. This guide contains format requirements for:

- the traditional thesis or dissertation,
- the manuscript thesis or dissertation, in which manuscripts of articles that have been or will be submitted to journals in the field are used in the body of the thesis or dissertation.

The guide also includes all pertinent deadline dates for the current semester.

Detailed information concerning the procedures for completing a graduate degree at The University of Texas at Dallas is contained in the Policy Memorandum 87-III.25-48, "Policy on Procedures for Completing a Graduate Degree." The entire text of the policy is contained in the final section of this guide.