After the Thesis Defense

Final Thesis Documents needed in order to be certified
The following must be turned in order to participate in the commencement ceremonies held in May, and to be considered “certified to receive a degree.

- **Thesis card and Signature Pages**: Make sure your advisor delivers yellow signature card with committee signatures and the thesis signature sheets to Suzanne. Suzanne must obtain the signatures of both the Program Chair and the Dean before a student can be certified, so it’s important that these are delivered to her office at least two weeks before a student wishes to be certified.

- **Final copy of Thesis Document**: Provide Suzanne with a link to the final draft of your thesis document in the form of a pdf file. Your title page should be included in your final thesis document, and should have your technical report number on it. You may get the tech report number by contacting Alan Guisewite, NSH 4000B, x8.3818, adg@cmu.edu. Make sure the tech report number that is received is within the same year it will be published.

- **Confirmation Email from Advisor**: Your advisor must send email to Suzanne confirming that your thesis is accepted in its final form – ready for print.

- **Dissertation Checklist**: Fill out the Instructions for Electronic Submission of Dissertations and Dissertation Checklist for Electronic Submission, and return a copy to Suzanne.

  If you wish to register with Proquest you must complete the form, if you choose the copyright option and/or open access option, you must attach a money order for the additional fees.

**Deposit PhD Dissertation**

**Copyright Issues Related to the Publication of Dissertations (2011)**

PLEASE NOTE: Proquest prices for processing Ph.D. dissertations:

  - Traditional Publishing - student is not required to pay anything.
  - Open Access - the price on the form says $160 but the Hunt Library pays $65 of this amount, so the student is responsible for the difference of $95 (money orders are to be made payable to Proquest).

  (Login - User Name: dissertations - Password: publish)
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- Survey of Earned Doctorates - https://sed.norc.org/showRegister.do

**Other Important Check-off Items**

- If you would like leather-bound copies of your thesis, you will need to communicate this to Suzanne when you submit your final thesis document. The department will provide one colored copy as a gift to you. Additional colored copies are $75 each. Black and white copies are $45.

- Provide Suzanne with your new contact information: employer, address, phone, email, job title, URL, etc.

- Provide Suzanne Muth <lyonsmuth@cmu.edu> with a non-CMU email to be added to the robotics-alumni email list.

- IMPORTANT: Be sure to add your thesis as a publication. Directions on how to submit your thesis as a publication: http://roboguide.ri.cmu.edu/publication-submit.html

- Make sure your student account balance is at $0, or will be $0 by the end of the semester if you are receiving financial support. Check your student information online (SIO).

- Turn in office / building keys and your student ID card to Suzanne.

- If you would like to cancel your health insurance, contact the Student Health Office at x8-2157.

- Update Commencement Information online in SIO - Academic Info -> Graduation and Diploma

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