EXISTING RULE:

14. Degree Requirements

14.1 Formal application for degrees must be completed at [https://degreeapp.tamu.edu](https://degreeapp.tamu.edu) and submitted to the Office of the Registrar no later than the Friday of the second week of the fall or spring semester or the Friday of the first week of the summer term in which the student expects to complete his or her requirements for graduation. Under unusual circumstances, an application for a degree may be accepted after the stated deadline, but no application will be accepted after grade sheets on graduating students have been produced for the faculty.

RULE WITH PROPOSED CHANGES:

14. Degree Requirements

14.1 Formal application for degrees must be completed at [https://degreeapp.tamu.edu](https://degreeapp.tamu.edu) and submitted to the Office of the Registrar and submitted online at [https://howdy.tamu.edu](https://howdy.tamu.edu) no later than the Friday of the second week of the fifth week of the fall or spring semester or the Friday of the first week of the summer term in which the student expects to complete his or her requirements for graduation. **Students who wish to graduate in August must submit formal application for degrees before the Friday of the first week of the second summer term.** Under unusual circumstances, an application for a degree may be accepted after the stated deadline, but no application will be accepted after grade sheets on graduating students have been produced for the faculty the last class day of the fall or spring semester.

JUSTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED CHANGE:

These changes are intended to fulfill multiple purposes. First, we wish to correct the URL where degree applications are submitted. This information changed with the TAMU implementation of Banner. Another purpose is to create a single summer deadline for degree applications, irrespective of for which part of the summer semester a student may be registered. In recent years the first deadline for students registered only in the first summer session could not be enforced, as students could easily add a second session course (which would later be dropped) in order to extend his/her deadline. Finally, since grade sheets are no longer produced, a change was proposed to more accurately state a date after which degree applications made under special circumstances will no longer be accepted. **Additional change submitted to extend deadline to fifth week of fall or spring to accommodate OGS calendar.**

COMMENTS:

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