

2020-2021 Academic Calendar

The Academic Year

The academic year consists of 30 weeks divided into two semesters. Each semester consists of at least 70 instructional days (14 weeks) and 5 exam days (1 week). The Fall Semester begins in August and ends before the Thanksgiving holidays; the Spring Semester begins in February and ends in May. Some academic programs also operate on an accelerated schedule of a 7.5-week session in the fall and a 7.5-week session in the spring. Please check with the department chair to find out which programs run on this accelerated schedule. See the academic calendars provided at the beginning of this catalog.

There will be approximately four to ten weeks between the end of the Fall semester and the beginning of the Spring semester. There is no spring vacation period in March. Instruction is also suspended on holidays, (i.e., Memorial Day, ML King Day, and Independence Day).

Optional summer sessions are offered and are divided into two 5-week sessions or one 11-week session. This offers significant opportunities for entering freshmen and other students who wish to accelerate their studies and satisfy degree requirements. The summer session begins approximately one to two weeks after the conclusion of the Spring Semester.

Fall 2020 Important Dates and Deadlines

Fall 15 weeks Session August 10, 2020 – November 20, 2020

Fall-1 (1st 7.5 weeks Session) August 10, 2020 – September 29, 2020

Fall-2 (2nd 7.5 weeks Session) October 1, 2020 – November 20, 2020

Fall 2020 Semester Bills Due	Friday July 31
Students with Outstanding Balances Dropped from Rosters – Financial Purge at 4pm	Wednesday August 5
Move-In Residency Halls (New Freshmen and Transfers)	August 4-5
New Students Welcome Week	August 6-9
Move-In Residency Halls (Returning Students based on class level)	August 6-8
Fall 2020 Semester Begins (Fall 15wk and Fall-1 sessions)	Monday August 10
Last day to Add a Fall-1 session course	Thursday August 13
Last day to Drop a Fall-1 session course – no grade posted	Thursday August 13
Withdrawal Period Begins for Fall-1 session (WC grade posted)	Friday August 14
Last day to Add a Fall 15wk session course	Monday August 17
Last day to Drop a Fall 15wk session course – no grade posted	Monday August 17
Withdrawal Period Begins for Fall 15wk session (WC grade posted)	Tuesday August 18
No Show Attendance Roster Verification Entries for Fall 15wk & Fall-1 sessions	August 18-21
Census / Freeze Cut-Off Date	Friday August 28
Midterm Exam Days for Fall-1 session	August 31-Sept 4
Midterm Grade Input Begins for Fall-1 session at 12noon	Monday August 31
Application for December 2020 Graduation Due to Academic Advisor	Monday August 31

Midterm Grade Input Ends for Fall-1 session at 10am	Wednesday September 9
<i>Withdrawal Period Ends for Fall-1 session at 4pm (WC grade posted)</i>	<i>Friday September 11</i>
Midterm Exam Days for Fall 15wk session	September 16-22
Midterm Grade Input Begins for Fall 15wk session	Wednesday September 16
Application for May 2021 or August 2021 Graduation Due to Academic Advisor	Friday September 18
Last Day of Regular Classes for Fall-1 session	Wednesday September 23
Final Exam Days for Fall-1 session	September 24-29
Midterm Grade Input Ends for Fall 15wk session at 10am	Monday September 28
Fall-1 2020 Session Ends	Tuesday September 29
Finals Grade Input Begins for Fall-1 session at 12noon	Tuesday September 29
Fall-2 2020 Session Begins	Thursday October 1
2021 Section Schedules Due (Winterim & Spring) from Dept Chairs to Provost	Friday October 2
Last day to Add a Fall-2 session course	Tuesday October 6
Last day to Drop a Fall-2 session course – no grade posted	Tuesday October 6
Finals Grade Input Ends for Fall-1 session at 10am	Tuesday October 6
<i>Withdrawal Period Begins for Fall-2 session (WC grade posted)</i>	<i>Wednesday October 7</i>
No Show Attendance Roster Verification Entries for Fall-2 session	October 7-9
Teacher Evaluation Period Begins	Monday October 12
2021 Course Schedules Available for Preview on Self-Service	Monday October 12
<i>Withdrawal Period Ends for Fall-15 session at 4pm (WC grade posted)</i>	<i>Thursday October 15</i>
Academic Advisement and 2021 Registration Authorization Begins for Students	Monday October 19
Midterm Exam Days for Fall-2 session	October 22-27
Midterm Grade Input Begins for Fall-2 session at 12noon	Thursday October 22
Teacher Evaluation Period Ends	Friday October 23
2021 Winterim & Spring Registration Begins for Continuing Students	Monday October 26
Midterm Grade Input Ends for Fall-2 session at 10am	Tuesday October 27
<i>Withdrawal Period Ends for Fall-2 session at 4pm (WC grade posted)</i>	<i>Thursday October 29</i>
Outstanding Incomplete (“I”) Grades Converted to “F”s	Friday October 30
2021 Winterim & Spring Registration Begins for Incoming Freshmen	Monday November 9
Last Day of Regular Classes Fall-15wk and Fall-2 Sessions	Friday November 13
Final Exam Week for Fall-15wk and Fall-2 Sessions	November 16-20
Finals Grade Input Begins for Fall-15wk and Fall-2 Sessions at 12noon	Monday November 16
Fall 2020 Semester Ends (Fall-15wk and Fall-2 sessions)	Friday November 20
Residence Hall Occupancy Ends (Halls Close at 6pm)	Friday November 20
Final Grade Input Ends for Fall-15wk and Fall-2 sessions at 10am	Monday November 30
Fall Degree Conferral Postings Completed by the Registrar’s Office	Friday December 11

Winterim 2021 Important Dates and Deadlines

Winterim (4 weeks) December 14, 2020 - January 8, 2021

2021 Winterim Registration Begins

Winterim 2021 Semester Bills Due

Students with Outstanding Balances Dropped from Rosters – Financial Purge at 4 pm

Winterim 2021 Session Begins

Last day to Add a Winterim session course

Last day to Drop a Winterim session course - no grade posted

Withdrawal Period Begins for Winterim session (WC grade posted)

No Show Attendance Roster Verification Entries for Winterim

Midterm Exam Days for Winterim session

Midterm Grade Input Begins for Winterim at 12 noon

Christmas Holiday (No Classes)

Winterim Classes Resume

Midterm Grade Input Ends for Winterim at 10 am

Withdrawal Period Ends for Winterim session at 4pm (WC grade posted)

New Year's Holiday (No Classes)

Winterim Classes Resume

Last day of Regular classes Winterim session

Final Exam Days for Winterim session

Finals Grade Input Begins for Winterim at 12 noon

Winterim 2021 Session Ends

Finals Grade Input Ends for Winterim at 10 am

Monday October 26

Friday December 4

Tuesday December 8

Monday December 14

Tuesday December 15

Tuesday December 15

Wednesday December 16

December 16-18

December 22-24

Tuesday December 22

Friday December 25

Monday December 28

Monday December 28

Tuesday December 29

Friday January 1, 2021

Monday January 4

Wednesday January 6

January 7-8

Thursday January 7

Friday January 8

Tuesday January 12

Spring 2021 Important Dates and Deadlines

Spring 15 weeks Session February 1, 2021 – May 14, 2021

Spring-1 (1st 7.5 weeks Session) February 1, 2021 – March 23, 2021

Spring-2 (2nd 7.5 weeks Session) March 25, 2021 – May 14, 2021

2021 Spring Registration Begins

Spring 2021 Semester Bills Due

Martin Luther King Day Holiday (School Closed)

Monday October 26

Friday January 15

Monday January 18

Students with Outstanding Balances Dropped from Rosters – Financial Purge 4pm
 Move-in Residence Halls (New Students)
 Move-in Residence Hall (Returning Students)
Spring 2021 Semester Begins (Spring 15wk and Spring-1 sessions)
Last day to Add a Spring-1 session course
Last day to Drop a Spring-1 session course - no grade posted
Withdrawal Period Begins for Spring-1 session (WC grade posted)
Last Day to Add a Spring 15wk session course
Last Day to Drop a Spring 15wk session course - no grade posted
Withdrawal Period Begins for Spring-15wk session (WC grade posted)
 No Show Attendance Entries by Faculty for Spring 15wk & Spring-1 sessions
 No Show Attendance Roster Verification Completed for Spring 15wk & Spring-1
 Application for August or December 2021 Graduation Due to Academic Advisor
 Census Freeze Cut Off Date
 Midterm Exam Days for Spring-1 session
 Midterm Grade Input Begins for Spring-1 session at 12noon
 Midterm Grade Input Ends for Spring-1 Session at 10am
Withdrawal Period Ends for Spring-1 session at 4pm (WC grade posted)
 Midterm Exam Days for Spring 15wk session
 Midterm Grade Input Begins for Spring 15wk session at 12noon
 Last Day of Regular Classes Spring-1
 Final Exam Days for Spring-1 Session
Spring-1 2021 Session Ends
 Midterm Grade Input Ends for Spring 15wk session at 10am
 Finals Grade Input Begins for Spring-1 at 12noon
2021 Summer Course Recommendations Due from Dept Chairs to Provost Office

Spring-2 2021 Session Begins

2021 Fall Course Schedule Due from Dept Chairs to Provost Office
 Finals Grade Input Ends for Spring-1 session at 10am
Last Day to Add a Spring-2 session course
Last Day to Drop a Spring-2 session course – no grade posted
Withdrawal Period Begins for Spring-2 session (WC grade posted)
 No Show Attendance Roster Verification Entries for Spring-2 session
 2021 Student Summer School Demand Web Survey (10 days) Opens
 2021 Fall Course Schedules Available for Preview on Self-Service
2021-2022 Academic Advisement and Registration Authorization Begins for Students
 Teacher Evaluation Period Begins
Withdrawal Period Ends for Spring 15wk Session at 4pm (WC grade posted)

Tuesday January 19
 January 26-27
 January 28-30
Monday February 1
Thursday February 4
Thursday February 4
Friday February 5
Tuesday February 9
Tuesday February 9
Wednesday February 10
 February 10-16
 February 17-19
 Friday February 19
 Monday February 22
 February 22-26
 Monday February 22
 Tuesday March 2
Thursday March 4
 March 15-19
 Monday March 15
 Wednesday March 17
 March 18-23
Tuesday March 23
 Tuesday March 23
 Wednesday March 24
Thursday March 25

Thursday March 25
 Friday March 26
 Tuesday March 30
Tuesday March 30
Tuesday March 30
Wednesday March 31
 March 31-April 2
 Monday April 5
 Monday April 5
Monday April 5
 Monday April 5
Wednesday April 7

Outstanding Incomplete ("I") Grades from Fall 2020 Converted to "F"s

2021 Fall Registration Begins for Continuing Students

Midterm Exam Days for Spring-2 session

Midterm Grade Input Begins for Spring-2 Session at 12noon

2021 Student Summer School Demand Web Survey (10 days) Closes

Teacher Evaluation Period Ends

Review of Financing Options for Survey Participants for Summer Registration Opens

Mid-term Grade Input Ends for Spring-2 Session at 10am

2021 Summer Course Schedules Available for Preview on Self-Service

2021 Summer Registration Begins

Last Day of Regular Classes for Spring 15wk and Spring-2 sessions

Final Exam Week for Spring 15wk and Spring-2 sessions

Final Grade Input Begins for Spring 15wk and Spring-2 sessions

Residence Hall Occupancy Ends (Halls Close at 6pm)

Spring 2021 Semester Ends (Spring 15wk and Spring-2 sessions)

May Commencement

Final Grade Input Ends for Spring 15wk and Spring-2 sessions

Spring Degree Conferral Postings on Transcripts Completed by the Registrar's Office

Friday April 9

Monday April 12

April 15-20

Thursday April 15

Thursday April 15

Friday April 16

Friday April 16

Thursday April 22

Friday April 23

Monday April 23

Friday May 7

May 10-14

Monday May 10

Friday May 14

Friday May 14

Saturday May 15

Wednesday May 19

Friday June 4

Summer 2021 Important Dates and Deadlines

Summer 11 weeks Session May 24, 2021 – August 6, 2021

Summer - 1 (1st 5 weeks Session) May 24, 2021 – June 25, 2021

Summer - 2 (2nd 5 weeks Session) July 6, 2021 – August 6, 2021

Summer Bridge (5 weeks Session) June 27, 2021 – July 30, 2021

Summer 11

(11 weeks Session) May 24, 2021 – August 6, 2021

2021 Summer Registration Begins

Summer 2021 Semester Bills Due

Students with Outstanding Balances Dropped from Rosters - Financial Purge 4pm

Summer 11wk 2021 Session Begins

Last day to Add a Summer 11wk session course

Last day to Drop a Summer 11wk session course - no grade posted

Withdrawal Period Begins for Summer 11wk session (WC grade posted)

No Show Attendance Roster Verification Entries for Summer 11wk session

Monday April 23

Friday May 14

Tuesday May 18

Monday May 24

Wednesday May 26

Wednesday May 26

Thursday May 27

May 27-June 1

Memorial Day Holiday (No Classes)	Monday May 31
Summer 11wk Classes Resume	Tuesday June 1
Midterm Exam Days for Summer 11wk session	June 28-July 1
Midterm Grade Input Begins for Summer 11wk at 12 noon	Monday June 28
Independence Day Holiday (No Classes)	Monday July 5
Summer 11wk Classes Resume	Tuesday July 6
Midterm Grade Input Ends for Summer 11wk session at 10 am	Wednesday July 7
<i>Withdrawal Period Ends for Summer 11wk session at 4pm (WC grade posted)</i>	<i>Monday July 19</i>
Last day of Regular classes Summer 11wk session	Friday July 30
Final Exam Period for Summer 11wk session	Monday August 2-6
Finals Grade Input Begins for Summer 11wk at 12 noon	Monday August 2
Summer 11wk 2021 Session Ends	Friday August 6
Finals Grade Input Ends for Summer 11wk at 10 am	Tuesday August 10
Summer Degree Conferral Postings Completed by the Registrar's Office	Friday August 27

Summer 1

(1st 5 weeks Session) May 24, 2021 – June 25, 2021

2021 Summer Registration Begins

Summer 2021 Semester Bills Due	Monday April 23
Students with Outstanding Balances Dropped from Rosters - Financial Purge 4pm	Friday May 14
	Tuesday May 18

Summer-1 2021 Semester Begins

Last day to Add a Summer-1 session course	Monday May 24
Last day to Drop a Summer-1 session course - no grade posted	Tuesday May 25
<i>Withdrawal Period Begins for Summer-1 session (WC grade posted)</i>	<i>Tuesday May 25</i>
No Show Attendance Roster Verification Entries for Summer-1 session	<i>Wednesday May 26</i>
Memorial Day Holiday (No Classes)	May 26-June 1
Summer-1 Classes Resume	Monday May 31
Midterm Exam Days for Summer-1 session	Tuesday June 1
Midterm Grade Input Begins for Summer-1 session at 12noon	Monday June 7-10
Midterm Grade Input Ends for Summer-1 session at 10am	Monday June 7
<i>Withdrawal Period Ends for Summer-1 session at 4pm (WC grade posted)</i>	Monday June 14
Last day of Regular classes Summer-1 session	<i>Tuesday June 15</i>
Final Exam Days for Summer-1 session	Monday June 21
	June 22-25

Finals Grade Input Begins for Summer-1 at 12noon

Tuesday June 22

Summer-1 2021 Session Ends

Friday June 25

Finals Grade Input Ends for Summer-1 at 10am

Tuesday June 29

Summer 2

(2nd 5 weeks Session) July 6, 2021 – August 6, 2021

2021 Summer Registration Begins

Monday April 23

Summer 2021 Semester Bills Due

Friday June 25

Students with Outstanding Balances Dropped from Rosters - Financial Purge 4pm

Tuesday June 29

Fourth of July Holiday (No Classes)

Monday July 5

Summer-2 2021 Session Begins

Tuesday July 6

Last day to Add a Summer-2 session course

Wednesday July 7

Last day to Drop a Summer-2 session course - no grade posted

Wednesday July 7

Withdrawal Period Begins for Summer-2 session (WC grade posted)

Thursday July 8

No Show Attendance Roster Verification Entries for Summer-2 session

July 8-13

Midterm Exam Days for Summer-2 session

July 19-22

Midterm Grade Input Begins for Summer-2 session at 12noon

Monday July 19

Midterm Grade Input Ends for Summer-2 session at 10am

Monday July 26

Withdrawal Period Ends for Summer-2 session at 4pm (WC grade posted)

Tuesday July 27

Last day of Regular classes Summer-2 session

Monday August 2

Final Exam Days for Summer-2 session

August 3-6

Finals Grade Input Begins for Summer-2 at 12noon

Tuesday August 3

Summer-2 2021 Session Ends

Friday August 6

Finals Grade Input Ends for Summer-2 at 10am

Tuesday August 10

Summer Bridge

(5 week Session) June 26, 2021 – July 30, 2021

Summer Bridge 2021 Semester Bills Due

Friday June 25

Move-in and Orientation

June 26-27

Summer Bridge 2021 Session Classes Begins

Monday June 28

Last day to Add a Summer Bridge session course

Tuesday June 29

Last day to Drop a Summer Bridge session course - no grade posted

Tuesday June 29

Students with Outstanding Balances Dropped from Rosters - Financial Purge 4pm

Wednesday June 30

Withdrawal Period Begins for Summer Bridge session (WC grade posted)

No Show Attendance Entries by Faculty for Summer Bridge session

Fourth of July Holiday (No Classes)

No Show Attendance Roster Verification of Entries for Summer Bridge session

Midterm Exam Days for Summer Bridge session

Midterm Grade Input Begins for Summer Bridge session at 12noon

Midterm Grade Input Ends for Summer Bridge session at 10am

Withdrawal Period Ends for Summer Bridge session at 4pm (WC grade posted)

Last day of Regular classes Summer Bridge session

Final Exam Days for Summer Bridge session

Finals Grade Input Begins for Summer Bridge at 12noon

Summer Bridge 2021 Session Ends

Finals Grade Input Ends for Summer Bridge at 10am

Wednesday June 30

June 30-July 1

Friday July 2

June 30-July 5

July 12-14

Monday July 12

Friday July 16

Tuesday July 20

Tuesday July 27

July 28-30

Wednesday July 28

Friday July 30

Tuesday August 3

******End of 2020-2021 Academic Year Calendar Dates***