

ACADEMIC CALENDARS

The undergraduate and the graduate programs operate on a two-semester plus 12-week summer academic calendar. The academic year for these schools consists of an early fall semester that ends before the Christmas holidays and a spring semester that concludes in early May. For students in the undergraduate programs, summer courses may be used to lighten the course load during the regular academic semesters, to enrich and broaden the educational experience or to accelerate the student's progress toward graduation. Graduate students typically use the summer term as an integral part of their program.

Degree Completion programs operate on a two-semester system. The fall semester runs from August through January. The spring semester runs from February through July. Groups of students begin in February and August and occasionally at other times of the year.

Professional development or continuing education students may begin and end their courses at various times, depending on the nature of the coursework undertaken.

TRADITIONAL UNDERGRADUATE CALENDAR: FALL & SPRING*

	Fall 2009	Spring 2010
Admissions application priority filing	Nov. 15, 2008 (first deadline) and March 15 (second deadline)	November 15, 2009
Registration		
Online registration	June 29-August 23	November 16, 2009-January 10 2010 June 29-August 23, 2009
New students	August 20-23	9 a.m.-noon, January 9
Register with late fee	August 24-28	January 11-15
Add courses without late fee: last day	September 4	January 22
Add with late fee & paper form	September 8-18	January 25-February 5
Last day to petition to register	September 18	February 5
Drop courses without grade penalty	October 30	March 26
Drop courses with partial refunds: last day	October 9	February 26
Student check-in	August 24-28	January 11-15
Classes begin	August 24	January 11
Grading		
Last day to request grading option	September 4	January 22
Grades due	December 15	May 11
Incomplete, last day to apply for	December 4	April 30
Withdrawal from university without grade penalty	October 30	March 26
Last day of classes	December 4	April 30
Final exams	December 7-10	May 3-6
Commencement		
Last day to apply for participation	September 30	January 31
Clearance documentation due	November 1	March 15
Ceremony	December 11	May 8
Holidays		
Mid-term break (no classes)	October 15-16	March 8-12
Offices closed; no classes	September 7	January 1
	November 26-27	January 18
	December 24-31	February 15
		April 2

*The summer semester calendar is located in the addendum (page 266).