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FALL SEMESTER EVENTS	2016–17	2017–18	2018–19	2019–2020
International Student Orientation	August 23-26, Tue.-Fri.	August 22-25, Tue.-Fri.	August 21-24,Tue.-Fri.	August 20-23,Tue.-Fri.
Pre-College Conference	August 25-29, Thu.-Mon.	August 24-28, Thu.-Mon.	August 23-27, Thu.-Mon.	August 22-26, Thu.-Mon.
College Housing Opens for New Students, 10 a.m.	August 26, Fri.	August 25, Fri.	August 24, Fri.	August 23, Fri.
New Student Orientation	August 26-29, Fri.-Mon.	August 25-28, Fri.-Mon.	August 24-27, Fri.-Mon.	August 23-26, Fri.-Mon.
College Housing Opens for Returning Students, 10 a.m.	August 28, Sun.	August 27, Sun.	August 26, Sun.	August 25, Sun.
Convocation for New Students and Parents, 2 p.m.	August 28, Sun.	August 27, Sun.	August 26, Sun.	August 25, Sun.
Classes Begin, 8 a.m.	August 30, Tue.	August 29, Tue.	August 28, Tue.	August 27, Tue.
Labor Day; Classes in Session	September 5, Mon.	September 4, Mon.	September 3, Mon.	September 2, Mon.
Last Day to Enroll for Credit or Drop First-Half and Full Semester Courses	September 7, Wed.	September 6, Wed.	September 5, Wed.	September 4, Wed.
Opening Convocation for Critical Issues Symposium, 7 p.m.	September 27, Tue.	September 26, Tue.	September 25, Tue.	September 24, Tue.
Critical Issues Symposium; Day Classes Not in Session, Evening Classes in Session	September 28, Wed.	September 27, Wed.	September 26, Wed.	September 25, Wed.
Last Day to Withdraw for a "W" Grade or Pass/Fail First-Half Courses	September 30, Fri.	September 29, Fri.	September 28, Fri.	September 27, Fri.
Fall Recess Begins, 6 p.m.	October 7, Fri.	October 6, Fri.	October 5, Fri.	October 4, Fri.
Fall Recess Ends, 8 a.m. *Monday Schedule in Effect*	October 12, Wed.	October 11, Wed.	October 10, Wed.	October 9, Wed.
Midterm Grades Due, 4 p.m.	October 19, Wed.	October 18, Wed.	October 17, Wed.	October 16, Wed.
First-Half Semester Courses End	October 19, Wed.	October 18, Wed.	October 17, Wed.	October 16, Wed.
Last-Half Semester Courses Begin	October 20, Thu.	October 19, Thu.	October 18, Thu.	October 17, Thu.
Homecoming Weekend	October 21-23, Fri.-Sun.	October 13-15, Fri.-Sun.	TBD	TBD
Last Day to Enroll for Credit or Drop Last-Half Courses	October 28, Fri.	October 27, Fri.	October 26, Fri.	October 25, Fri.
Family Weekend	October 28-30, Fri.-Sun.	TBD	TBD	TBD
Last Day to Withdraw for a "W" grade or Pass/Fail Full Semester Courses	November 4, Fri.	November 3, Fri.	November 2, Fri.	November 1, Fri.
Online Registration for Spring (students with 20 or more credits)	November 7-9, Mon.-Wed.	November 6-8, Mon.-Wed.	November 5-7, Mon.-Wed.	November 4-6, Mon.-Wed.
In Person Registration for Spring (first years and students with less than 20 cr)	November 10-11, Thu.-Fri.	November 9-10, Thu.-Fri.	November 8-9, Thu.-Fri.	November 7-8, Thu.-Fri.
Last Day to Withdraw for a "W" grade or Pass/Fail Last-Half Courses	November 22, Tue.	November 21, Tue.	November 20, Tue.	November 19, Tue.
Thanksgiving Recess Begins, 8 a.m.	November 24, Thu.	November 23, Thu.	November 22, Thu.	November 28, Thu.
Thanksgiving Recess Ends, 8 a.m.	November 28, Mon.	November 27, Mon.	November 26, Mon.	December 2, Mon.
Last Day of Classes	December 9, Fri.	December 8, Fri.	December 7, Fri.	December 6, Fri.
Semester Examinations	December 12-16, Mon.-Fri.	December 11-15, Mon.-Fri.	December 10-14, Mon.-Fri.	December 9-13, Mon.-Fri.
College Housing Closes, 5 p.m.	December 16, Fri.	December 15, Fri.	December 14, Fri.	December 13, Fri.
Final Grades Due, 4 p.m.	December 20, Tue.	December 19, Tue.	December 19, Wed.	December 18, Wed.
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SPRING SEMESTER EVENTS	2016–17	2017–18	2018–19	2019–2020
College Housing Opens, 12 Noon	January 7, Sat.	January 6, Sat.	January 5, Sat.	January 4, Sat.
Classes Begin, 8 a.m.	January 9, Mon.	January 8, Mon.	January 7, Mon.	January 6, Mon.
Last Day to Enroll for Credit or Drop First-Half and Full Semester Courses	January 18, Wed.	January 17, Wed.	January 16, Wed.	January 15, Wed.
Incomplete (I) Grades from Fall Semester become "F"	January 27, Fri.	January 26, Fri.	January 25, Fri.	January 24, Fri.
Last Day to Withdraw for a "W" Grade or Pass/Fail First-Half Courses	February 10, Fri.	February 9, Fri.	February 8, Fri.	February 7, Fri.
Winter Recess Begins, 6 p.m.	February 10, Fri.	February 9, Fri.	February 8, Fri.	February 7, Fri.
Winter Recess Ends, 8 a.m. *Monday Schedule in Effect*	February 15, Wed.	February 14, Wed.	February 13, Wed.	February 12, Wed.
Midterm Grades Due, 4 p.m.	March 1, Wed.	February 28, Wed.	February 27, Wed.	February 26, Wed.
First-Half Semester Courses End	March 1, Wed.	February 28, Wed.	February 27, Wed.	February 26, Wed.
Last-Half Semester Courses Begin	March 2, Thu.	March 1, Thu.	February 28, Thu.	February 27, Thu.
Last Day to Enroll for Credit or Drop Last-Half Courses	March 9, Thu.	March 8, Thu.	March 7, Thu.	March 5, Thu.
Last Day to Withdraw for a "W" grade or Pass/Fail Full Semester Courses	March 16, Thu.	March 15, Thu.	March 14, Thu.	March 12, Thu.
Spring Recess Begins, 8 a.m.	March 17, Fri.	March 16, Fri.	March 15, Fri.	March 13, Fri.
Spring Recess Ends, 8 a.m.	March 27, Mon.	March 26, Mon.	March 25, Mon.	March 23, Mon.
Online Registration for Fall (students with 18 or more credits)	April 3-5, Mon.-Wed.	April 2-4, Mon.-Wed.	April 1-3, Mon.-Wed.	March 30-April 1, Mon.-Wed.
In Person Registration for Fall (students with less than 18 credits)	April 6-7, Thu.-Fri.	April 5-6, Thu.-Fri.	April 4-5, Thu.-Fri	April 2-3, Thu.-Fri.
Last Day to Withdraw for a "W" Grade or Pass/Fail Last-Half Courses	April 13, Thu.	April 12, Thu.	April 11, Thu.	April 9, Thu.
Good Friday; Classes Not in Session, Offices Closed	April 14, Fri.	March 30, Fri.	April 19, Fri.	April 10, Fri.
Easter Holiday; Classes Not in Session, Offices Open	April 17, Mon.	April 2, Mon.	April 22, Mon.	April 13, Mon.
Honors Convocation, Dimnet Chapel, 7 p.m.	April 27, Thu.	April 26, Thu.	April 25, Thu.	April 23, Thu.
Spring Festival; Classes Dismissed at 3 p.m.	April 28, Fri.	April 27, Fri.	April 26, Fri.	April 24, Fri.
Alumni Weekend	April 28-29, Fri.-Sat.	April 27-28, Fri.-Sat.	April 26-27, Fri.-Sat.	April 24-25, Fri.-Sat.
Semester Examinations	May 1-5, Mon.-Fri.	April 30-May 4, Mon.-Fri.	April 29-May 3, Mon.-Fri.	April 27-May 1, Mon.-Fri.
College Housing Closes for Students Not Participating in Commencement, 5 p.m.	May 5, Fri.	May 4, Fri.	May 3, Fri.	May 1, Fri.
Baccalaureate and Commencement	May 7, Sun.	May 6, Sun.	May 5, Sun.	May 3, Sun.
College Housing Closes for Students Participating in Commencement, 12 Noon	May 8, Mon.	May 7, Mon.	May 6, Mon.	May 4, Mon.
Final Grades Due, 5 p.m.	May 10, Wed.	May 9, Wed.	May 8, Wed.	May 6, Wed.
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MAY TERM EVENTS	2016–17	2017–18	2018–19	2019–2020
Classes Begin, 9 a.m.	May 8, Mon.	May 7, Mon.	May 6, Mon.	May 4, Mon.
Last Day to Enroll for Credit or Drop Courses	May 10, Wed.	May 9, Wed.	May 8, Wed.	May 6, Wed.
Last Day to Withdraw (50% Refund) for a "W" Grade	May 12, Fri.	May 11, Fri.	May 10, Fri.	May 8, Fri.
Last Day to Withdraw (No Refund) for a "W" Grade or Pass/Fail	May 25, Thu.	May 24, Thu.	May 23, Thu.	May 21, Thu.
Memorial Day Holiday; Classes Not in Session, Offices Closed	May 29, Mon.	May 28, Mon.	May 27, Mon.	May 25, Mon.
May Term Ends	June 2, Fri.	June 1, Fri.	May 31, Fri.	May 29, Fri.
JUNE TERM EVENTS	**2016–17**	**2017–18**	**2018–19**	**2019–2020**
Classes Begin, 9 a.m.	June 5, Mon.	June 4, Mon.	June 3, Mon.	June 1, Mon.
Last Day to Enroll for Credit or Drop Courses	June 7, Wed.	June 6, Wed.	June 5, Wed.	June 3, Wed.
Last Day to Withdraw (50% Refund) for a "W" Grade	June 9, Fri.	June 8, Fri.	June 7, Fri.	June 5, Fri.
Last Day to Withdraw (No Refund) for a "W" Grade or Pass/Fail	June 22, Thu.	June 21, Thu.	June 20, Thu.	June 18, Thu.
Incomplete (I) Grades from Spring Semester become "F"	June 23, Fri.	June 22, Fri.	June 21, Fri.	June 19, Fri.
June Term Ends	June 30, Fri.	June 29, Fri.	June 28, Fri.	June 26, Fri.
JULY TERM EVENTS	**2016–17**	**2017–18**	**2018–19**	**2019–2020**
Classes Begin, 9 a.m.	July 3, Mon.	July 2, Mon.	July 1, Mon.	June 29, Mon.
July 4th Holiday; Classes Not in Session, Offices Closed	July 4, Tue.	July 4, Wed.	July 4, Thu.	July 3, Fri.
Last Day to Enroll for Credit or Drop Courses	July 6, Thu.	July 5, Thu.	July 3, Wed.	July 1, Wed.
Last Day to Withdraw (50% Refund) for a "W" Grade	July 10, Mon.	July 9, Mon.	July 8, Mon.	July 6, Mon.
Last Day to Withdraw (No Refund) for a "W" Grade or Pass/Fail	July 20, Thu.	July 19, Thu.	July 18, Thu.	July 16, Thu.
July Term Ends	July 28, Fri.	July 27, Fri.	July 26, Fri.	July 24, Fri.