

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Administrative Regulation

PURPOSE	This policy establishes the logic for developing the academic calendar.
STARTING AND ENDING DAYS	<p>The first day of class for a semester or session shall be a Monday except when it is a holiday, and then it shall be a Tuesday.</p> <p>The last day of class for a semester or session shall be a Thursday except when it is a holiday, and then it shall be a Wednesday.</p>
FALL SEMESTER	<p>The calendar for the Fall Semester shall be developed according to the following logic:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. When Labor Day is early (Sept 1-4), Fall semester classes begin one week before Labor Day.</li><li>2. When Labor Day is late (Sept 5-7), Fall semester classes begin two weeks before Labor Day.</li><li>3. The official start of the Fall semester is one week before the first day of Fall semester classes.</li><li>4. Professional Development Week is the week before the first day of Fall semester classes.</li><li>5. The 16-week, 8-week I &amp; 3-week sessions begin the first day of Fall semester classes.</li><li>6. The 13-week term begins 21 days after the first day of Fall semester classes.</li><li>7. The 8-week II session begins 56 days after the first day of Fall semester classes.</li><li>8. The 3-week session ends 17 days after it begins.</li><li>9. The 8-week I session ends 52 days after it begins.</li><li>10. The 16-week, 13-week &amp; 8-week II sessions end on Thursday, 108 days after the first day of Fall semester classes.</li><li>11. Commencement is Saturday, 110 days after the first day of Fall semester classes.</li><li>12. The 16-week semester has holidays on one Monday (Labor Day) and one Wednesday, Thursday and Friday (Thanksgiving), so the Fall semester provides instruction on 15 Mondays, 16 Tuesdays, 15 Wednesdays, 15 Thursdays, and 14 Fridays, for a total of 75 class days.</li><li>13. The last day of the Fall semester (also the last day college offices are open) is Friday, 116 days after the start of Fall semester classes.</li></ol>

14. The Fall semester comprises 18 weeks from the week before Fall semester classes begin until the week after commencement.

HOLIDAY COLLEGE

The calendar for the Holiday College term shall be developed according to the following logic:

1. Holiday College begins on the Monday after Fall commencement, which is 112 days (16 weeks) after the first day of Fall semester classes.
2. Holiday College consists of 12 class days and runs Monday thru Thursday for three weeks; however, when December 25 or January 1 fall on class days we add the Fridays in the first and second weeks to compensate.
3. Holiday College ends 17 days after the first day of Holiday College except when that is January 1, in which case it ends after 16 days.

SPRING SEMESTER

The calendar for the Spring Semester shall be developed according to the following logic:

1. The first day college offices are open is Monday, 17 days after the last day of the Fall semester.
2. When MLK Day is early (Jan 15-18), Spring semester classes begin one day after MLK Day.
3. When MLK Day is late (Jan 19-21), Spring semester classes begin one week before MLK Day.
4. The official start of the Spring semester is 8 (or 7) days before the first day of Spring semester classes depending on whether MLK Day is early (or late).
5. Professional Development Week is the week before the first day of Spring semester classes.
6. The 16-week, 8-week I & 3-week sessions begin the first day of Spring semester classes.
7. The 13-week term begins on Monday, 20 (or 21) days after the first day of Spring semester classes depending on whether MLK Day is early (or late).
8. Spring Break begins on Monday, 55 (or 56) days after the first day of Spring semester classes depending on whether MLK Day is early (or late).
9. The 8-week II session begins on Monday, 62 (or 63) days after the first day of Spring semester classes depending on whether MLK Day is early (or late).
10. The 3-week session ends 16 (or 17) days after it begins depending on whether MLK Day is early (or late).

11. The 8-week I session ends 51 (or 52) days after it begins depending on whether MLK Day is early (or late).
12. The 16-week, 13-week & 8-week II sessions end 114 (or 115 days) after the first day of Spring semester classes depending on whether MLK Day is early (or late).
13. Commencement is Saturday, 116 (or 117) days after the first day of Spring semester classes depending on whether MLK Day is early (or late).
14. The 16-week semester (not counting spring break) has holidays on one Monday (MLK Day) and one Friday (Good Friday), so the Spring semester provides instruction on 15 Mondays, 16 Tuesdays, 16 Wednesdays, 16 Thursdays, and 14 Fridays, for a total of 77 class days.
15. The last day of the Spring semester is Saturday, 116 (or 117) days after the first day of Spring semester classes depending on whether MLK Day is early (or late).
16. The Spring semester comprises 18 weeks from the week before Spring semester classes begin until the day of commencement.

MAY MINI

The calendar for the May Mini term shall be developed according to the following logic:

1. May Mini begins on the Monday after Spring commencement, which is 118 (or 119 days), 17 weeks, after the first day of the Spring semester depending on whether MLK Day is early (or late).
2. May Mini consists of 12 class days and runs Monday thru Thursday for three weeks; however, Memorial Day is Monday of the third week of May Mini; we make up this day by scheduling class for Friday in the first week of May Mini.

COSMETOLOGY 13-WEEK SUMMER TERM

The calendar for the Cosmetology 13-week Summer Term shall be developed according to the following logic:

1. Cosmetology Summer session begins on the Monday after commencement, which is 118 (or 119 days) (17 weeks) after the first day of Spring semester classes depending on whether MLK Day is early (or late).
2. Cosmetology Summer session ends 87 days (13 weeks) after it begins.
3. Cosmetology Summer session includes three holidays: Memorial Day (a Monday), Juneteenth on July 19 (which can be any day of the week), and July 4 (which can be any day of the week). When a holiday occurs on a weekend, it will be taken on the previous Friday or the following Monday in accordance with Board Policy DED (LOCAL).

SUMMER SEMESTER

The calendar for the Summer Semester shall be developed according to the following logic:

1. The Summer semester begins on the Monday three weeks and two days after the Saturday when the Spring semester ends.
2. The 10-week and 5-week I sessions begin on the first day of the summer semester.
3. The 5-week II session begins 35 days (5 weeks) after the first day of the summer semester.
4. The 5-week I session ends 31 days after it begins.
5. The 10-week and 5-week II sessions end 66 days after the first day of the summer semester.
6. The Juneteenth Holiday occurs on June 19 during the 5-week I session. The July 4 holiday occurs the last week of 5-week I or the first week of 5-week II, so one of the two terms will be a day shorter than the other. When a holiday occurs on a weekend, it will be taken on the previous Friday or the following Monday in accordance with Board Policy DED (LOCAL).
7. The Summer semester generally ends one week before the Fall semester professional development week, but every five-or-so years the Summer semester ends right before the Fall professional development week.