2015 – 2016 ACADEMIC CALENDAR
FALL TERM 2015

All Faculty and Staff Conference ................................................................. Aug. 26 (Wed.)
New students arrive / Opening Convocation ................................................ Aug. 27 (Thurs.)
New student orientation .................................................................. Aug. 27–30 (Thurs. – Sun.)
Registration for entering students / Residence halls open for returning students .......... Aug. 29 (Sat.)
Classes begin .................................................................................. Aug. 31 (Mon.)
Last day to add or drop courses (requires consent of instructor) ......................... Sept. 4 (Fri.)

No classes (holiday) - Labor Day .......................................................... Sept. 7 (Mon.)
Date of Record ............................................................. Sept. 14 (Mon.)
Last day to change method of grading for first 7-week courses ................................ Sept. 23 (Wed.)
Last day to withdraw from first 7-week courses ............................................ Oct. 2 (Fri.)

Fall Term Break ........................................................................ Oct. 5 – 6 (Mon. – Tues.)
Homecoming ................................................................................... Oct. 17 (Sat.)
Last day to change method of grading for Fall Term ........................................... Oct. 20 (Tues.)
Begin second half of Fall Term ................................................................... Oct. 21 (Wed.)
Meeting of Board of Trustees .................................................................. Oct. 22 – 23 (Thurs. – Fri.)
Last day to withdraw from Fall Term courses ................................................ Nov. 6 (Fri.)
Family Weekend ........................................................................ Nov. 6 – 8 (Fri. – Sun.)
Last day to change method of grading for second 7-week courses ......................... Nov. 13 (Fri.)
Registration for Spring Term 2016 ............................................................... Nov. 17 – 20 (Tues. – Fri.)
Last day to withdraw from second 7-week courses ........................................ Nov. 24 (Tues.)

Thanksgiving Recess ......................................................................... after last class Nov. 24 (Tues.) – Nov. 30 (8 a.m.) (Mon.)
Last Day of Fall Term classes ...................................................................... Dec. 14 (Mon.)
Reading Day .................................................................................. Dec. 15 (Tues.)
Final Exams ............................................................................................ Dec. 16 – 19 (Wed. – Sat.)
Residence halls close ........................................................................ Dec. 20 (noon) (Sun.) – Jan. 10 (8 a.m.) (Sun.)

SPRING TERM 2016

New student orientation ......................................................................... Jan. 8 (Fri.)
Residence halls open for returning students ................................................... Jan. 10 (Sun.)
Classes begin .................................................................................. Jan. 11 (Mon.)
Last day to add or drop courses (requires consent of instructor) ......................... Jan. 15 (Fri.)

NO DAY CLASSES (holiday) - Martin Luther King, Jr., Day - Evening classes will meet .................................................. Jan. 18 (Mon.)
Date of Record .................................................................................. Jan. 25 (Mon.)
Last day to change method of grading for first 7-week courses .............................. Feb. 3 (Wed.)
Last day to withdraw from first 7-week courses ............................................... Feb. 12 (Fri.)
Meeting of Board of Trustees .................................................................. Feb. 20 – 21 (Sat. – Sun.)
Last day to change method of grading for Spring Term ........................................ Feb. 26 (Fri.)
Begin second half of Spring Term .................................................................. March 1 (Tues.)

Spring Term Recess begins .................................................................... after last class March 4 (Fri.)
Residence halls close ........................................................................ March 5 (noon) (Sat.) – March 13 (8 a.m.) (Sun.)
Classes resume ................................................................................ March 14 (Mon.)
Last day to withdraw from Spring Term courses .............................................. March 25 (Fri.)
Last day to change method of grading for second 7-week courses ....................... April 5 (Tues.)
Registration for Fall Term 2016 ................................................................ April 5-8 (Tues – Fri)
Last day to withdraw from second 7-week courses .......................................... April 13 (Wed.)
Student Research Symposium - NO DAY CLASSES - Evening classes will meet ........................................ April 14 (Thurs.)
Last Day of Spring Term classes ................................................................ April 27 (Wed.)
Reading Day .................................................................................. April 28 (Thurs.)
Final Exams ........................................................................................... April 29-30, May 2 – 3 (Fri. – Sat., Mon. – Tues.)
Honors Convocation / Baccalaureate (Last meal for non-graduating board students - breakfast) May 7 (Sat.)
Commencement / Residence halls close for graduating students (6 p.m.).............. May 8 (Sun.)
Meeting of Board of Trustees .................................................................. TBA (Fri. – Sat.)

MAY TERM 2016

Classes begin .................................................................................. May 11 (Wed.)
Last day to change method of grading for May Term ........................................... May 23 (Mon.)
Last day to withdraw from May Term courses .............................................. May 26 (Thurs.)

No classes (holiday) - Memorial Day ...................................................... May 30 (Mon.)
Last Day of May Term classes .................................................................... June 3 (Fri.)
Residence halls close (6 p.m.) ..................................................................... June 4 (Sat.)

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