

2017 – 2018 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

FALL TERM 2017

All Faculty and Staff Conference	Aug. 18 (Fri.)
New students arrive / Opening Convocation	Aug. 19 (Sat.)
New student orientation	Aug. 19 – 22 (Sat. – Tues.)
Registration for entering students / Residence halls open for returning students	Aug. 22 (Tues.)
Classes begin	Aug. 23 (Wed.)
Last day to add or drop courses online	Aug. 29 (Tues.)
No classes (holiday) - Labor Day	Sept. 4 (Mon.)
Last day to drop courses (<i>requires consent of instructor</i>)	Sept. 5 (Tues.)
Date of Record	Sept. 8 (Fri.)
Last day to change method of grading for first 7-week courses	Sept. 15 (Fri.)
Family Weekend	Sept. 22 – 24 (Fri. – Sun.)
Last day to withdraw from first 7-week courses	Sep. 22 (Fri.)
Meeting of Board of Trustees	Oct. 12 – 13 (Thurs. – Fri.)
Last day to change method of grading for Fall Term / Begin second half of Fall Term	Oct. 13 (Fri.)
Homecoming	Oct. 14 (Sat.)
Fall Term Break	Oct. 19 - 20 (Thurs - Fri.)
Advising Season	Oct. 23 – Nov. 10
Last day to withdraw from Fall Term courses	Nov. 3 (Fri.)
Last day to change method of grading for second 7-week courses	Nov. 9 (Thurs.)
Registration for Spring Term 2018	Nov. 14 – 15 (Tues. – Wed.); Nov. 17 (Fri.)
Last day to withdraw from second 7-week courses	Nov. 17 (Fri.)
Thanksgiving Recess	after last class Friday, Nov. 17 (Fri.) – Nov. 27 (8 a.m.) (Mon.)
Last Day of Fall Term classes	Dec. 8 (Fri.)
Reading Day	Dec. 9 (Sat.)
Final Exams	Dec. 11 – 14 (Mon. – Thurs.)
Residence halls close	Dec. 16 (noon) (Sat.) – Jan. 7 (8 a.m.) (Sun.)

SPRING TERM 2018

New student orientation	Jan. 6 (Sat.)
Residence halls open for returning students	Jan. 7 (Sun.)
Classes begin	Jan. 8 (Mon.)
Last day to add or drop courses online	Jan. 12 (Fri.)
NO DAY CLASSES (holiday) - Martin Luther King, Jr., Day - Evening classes will meet	Jan. 15 (Mon.)
Last day to drop courses (<i>requires consent of instructor</i>)	Jan. 19 (Fri.)
Date of Record	Jan. 22 (Mon.)
Last day to change method of grading for first 7-week courses	Jan. 31 (Wed.)
Last day to withdraw from first 7-week courses	Feb. 9 (Fri.)
Meeting of Board of Trustees	TBD (Sat. – Sun.)
Last day to change method of grading for Spring Term	Feb. 27 (Tues.)
Begin second half of Spring Term	Feb. 27 (Tues.)
Spring Term Recess begins	after last class March 2 (Fri.)
Residence halls close	March 3 (noon) (Sat.) – March 11 (8 a.m.) (Sun.)
Advising Season	March 12 – 30
Classes resume	March 12 (Mon.)
Last day to withdraw from Spring Term courses	March 22 (Thurs.)
Last day to change method of grading for second 7-week courses	March 28 (Wed.)
Registration for Fall Term 2018	April 2 – 3 (Mon. – Tues.); April 5 (Thurs.)
Last day to withdraw from second 7-week courses	April 6 (Fri.)
Student Research Symposium - NO DAY CLASSES - Evening classes will meet	April 10 (Tues.)
Last Day of Spring Term classes	April 25 (Wed.)
Reading Day	April 26 (Thurs.)
Final Exams	April 27, April 30- May 2 (Fri., Mon. – Wed.)
Honors Convocation / Baccalaureate (Last meal for non-graduating board students - breakfast)	May 5 (Sat.)
Commencement / Residence halls close for graduating students (6 p.m.)	May 6 (Sun.)

MAY TERM 2018

Classes begin	May 9 (Wed.)
Meeting of Board of Trustees	May 18 – 19 (Fri. – Sat.)
Last day to change method of grading for May Term	May 21 (Mon.)
Last day to withdraw from May Term courses	May 24 (Thurs.)
No classes (holiday) - Memorial Day	May 28 (Mon.)
Last Day of May Term classes	June 1 (Fri.)
Residence halls close (6 p.m.)	June 2 (Sat.)