



Spring 2026 Critical Dates and Deadlines

<i>Month, Date & Time</i>	<i>Activities</i>
January	
<i>Monday, January 12</i>	<i>Spring 2026 Classes Begin</i>
<i>Monday, January 19</i>	<i>Martin Luther King Holiday – Campus Closed</i>
<i>Tuesday, January 20</i>	<i>Spring 2026 Classes Resume</i>
<i>Friday, January 23</i>	<i>Final Date to Add/Drop Courses for Credit</i>
<i>Friday, January 30</i>	<i>Late Spring 2026 Graduation Applications Due</i> <i>Summer 2026 Graduation Applications Due</i>
<i>Friday, January 30</i>	<i>Deadline for Paying Tuition and Fees for the Spring Term (including late fee)</i>
February	
<i>Monday, Tuesday, February 16-17</i>	<i>Mardi Gras Holiday – Campus Closed</i>
<i>Wednesday, February 25</i>	<i>Spring 2026 Career Fair</i>
<i>Friday, February 27</i>	<i>Final Date for International Students' Admissions Applications to be submitted to the International Student Office for the Summer 2026 semester</i>
March	
<i>Monday-Thursday, March 2-5</i>	<i>Spring 2026 Midterm Examination Period</i>
<i>Friday, March 6</i>	<i>Spring 2026 Midterm Grades Due</i>
<i>Friday, March 6</i>	<i>Final Date for submitting Application for Admission to Candidacy for Doctoral Candidates who plan to graduate in Spring 2026</i>
<i>Monday-Friday, March 9-13</i>	<i>Spring Break</i>
<i>Friday, March 20</i>	<i>Final Day to Withdraw from Spring 2026 Courses or the University</i>
<i>Friday, March 20</i>	<i>Last Date for submitting Request for Final Thesis/Dissertation Defense Form</i>
<i>Monday, March 23</i>	<i>Final Date for submitting Requests for Transfer Credit, with Accompanying Transcripts, to the Graduate School for Spring 2026 Graduation</i>
<i>Friday, March 27</i>	<i>Spring 2026 Founders Day Convocation</i>
<i>Friday-Tuesday, March 27-31</i>	<i>Academic Homecoming Week</i>
<i>Monday, March 30</i>	<i>Final Date for Domestic Students Submitting Applications for Admissions for the Summer 2026 semester</i>
April	
<i>Wednesday, April 1</i>	<i>Final Date for Electronically Submitting One Complete Copy of a Thesis/ Dissertation for a Format Check by the Graduate School for Spring 2026 Graduation</i>
<i>Friday, April 3</i>	<i>Good Friday Holiday – Campus Closed</i>
<i>Wednesday, April 15</i>	<i>Fall 2026 Graduation Applications Due</i>
<i>Wednesday, April 15</i>	<i>Final Date for Domestic & International Students Submitting Admissions Applications for Fall 2026</i>
<i>Monday, April 20</i>	<i>Summer 2026 & Fall 2026 Registration for All Students</i>
<i>Friday, April 24</i>	<i>Last day to Defend Thesis/Dissertation for Spring 2026 graduation</i>
May	
<i>Friday, May 1</i>	<i>Final Date for International Students' Admissions Applications to be submitted to the International Student Office for the Fall 2026 semester</i>
<i>Friday, May 1</i>	<i>Last day for submitting the final revised and edited Thesis/Dissertation hardcopy for approval by the Graduate School for Spring 2026 Graduation</i>
<i>Friday, May 1</i>	<i>Final Grades Due (Degree Candidates)</i>
<i>Wednesday, May 6</i>	<i>Final Date for Thesis/Dissertation Uploading on ProQuest, Completing Survey of Earned Doctorate (SED), and Dissertation Title Change Deadline</i>
<i>Wednesday, May 6</i>	<i>Last Day of Spring 2026 Classes</i>
<i>Thursday-Wednesday, May 7-13</i>	<i>Spring 2026 Final Examination Period</i>

<i>Wednesday, May 13</i>	<i>Final Grades Due for Non-Graduating Students</i>
<i>Thursday, May 14</i>	<i>Spring 2026 Graduate School Commencement</i>
<i>Monday, May 25</i>	<i>Memorial Day Holiday – Campus Closed</i>