# Academic Calendar

Notes:

Graduate and professional programs follow their own calendars with different registration/drop deadlines, which are typically available on the website of the school or program. The College of Liberal and Professional Studies may have different registration/drop deadlines. Please visit the LPS website, www.sas.upenn.edu/lps/, for more information.

Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, the first two days of Passover and Good Friday are religious holidays that affect large numbers of University community members and that fall during the academic year. View the University's policy regarding these and other holidays (http://catalog.upenn.edu/pennbook/secular-religious-holidays).

The University’s Three-Year Academic Calendar is subject to change. In the event that changes are made, the latest, most up-to-date version will be posted to the Almanac’s website (https://almanac.upenn.edu/penn-academic-calendar).

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<td>July 4</td>
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<td>Wednesday</td>
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<tr>
<td>New Student Orientation (<a href="https://www.nso.upenn.edu">https://www.nso.upenn.edu</a>)</td>
<td>Wednesday-Monday</td>
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<td>Monday</td>
<td>September 17</td>
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<td>Fall Term Break</td>
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<td>Spring Term Break</td>
<td>Saturday-Sunday</td>
<td>March 2-10</td>
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<td>Classes Resume</td>
<td>Monday</td>
<td>March 11</td>
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<tr>
<td>Advance Registration for Fall Term and Summer Sessions (<a href="http://www.upenn.edu/registrar">http://www.upenn.edu/registrar</a>)</td>
<td>Monday-Sunday</td>
<td>March 18-31</td>
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<td>Last day to withdraw from a course</td>
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<td>April 5</td>
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<td>Last day of Classes</td>
<td>Wednesday</td>
<td>May 1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Reading Days</td>
<td>Thursday-Sunday</td>
<td>May 2-5</td>
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<tr>
<td>Final Examinations (<a href="http://www.upenn.edu/registrar">http://www.upenn.edu/registrar</a>)</td>
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<td>September 16</td>
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<td>Drop Period ends</td>
<td>Monday</td>
<td>October 7</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fall term break</td>
<td>Thursday-Sunday</td>
<td>October 10-13</td>
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<tr>
<td>Classes resume</td>
<td>Monday</td>
<td>October 14</td>
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<tr>
<td>Advance Registration for Spring Term</td>
<td>Monday-Sunday</td>
<td>October 28-November 10</td>
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<tr>
<td>Family Weekend</td>
<td>Friday-Sunday</td>
<td>November 1-3 (Brown)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Last Day to withdraw from a course</td>
<td>Friday</td>
<td>November 8</td>
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<td>January 20</td>
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<td>Thursday/Friday class schedule on Tuesday/Wednesday (<a href="http://provost.upenn.edu/education/calendar">http://provost.upenn.edu/education/calendar</a>)</td>
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<td>May 15</td>
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<td>Baccalaureate (<a href="http://www.upenn.edu/commencement">http://www.upenn.edu/commencement</a>)</td>
<td>Sunday</td>
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