2025-2026 SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES ACADEMIC CALENDAR

SUMMER SESSION – MS MEDICAL SCIENCES ONLY, 2025

MAY			
	19	Monday	Orientation
	20	Tuesday	Tuition and fees due for Session 2 term/Classes begin
AUGUST			
	1	Friday	Session 2 term ends

FALL SEMESTER, 2025

JULY			
	29	Tuesday	Orientation for new students
	30	Wednesday	Orientation for new students Registration for all students – completed
	31	Thursday	Student fees due
AUGUST			
	4	Monday	Classes begin
SEPTEMBER			
	1	Monday	Labor Day Holiday
NOVEMBER			
	7	Friday	Final date to submit request for dissertation/thesis defense and final examination to *graduate in fall semester
			Final date to circulate announcement of MS and PhD Final Examination to graduate faculty for Fall 2025 graduation*
	10	Monday	Registration packets due for spring semester
	17	Monday	Final date to convene MS and PhD defense to *graduate in fall semester
	27-28	Thu/Fri	Thanksgiving Holiday
DECEMBER			
	1	Monday	Classes resume
			Final date for submission of approved dissertation/thesis and committee dissertation/thesis report for Fall 2025 graduation*
	5	Friday	Fall semester ends/grades due
	24-25	Wed/Thu	Christmas Holiday
	31	Wednesday	New Year's Holiday

*Graduation ceremony for summer and fall graduates will be held at commencement in May 2026

SPRING SEMESTER, 2026

JANUARY			
	1	Thursday	New Year's Holiday
	5	Monday	Classes begin for spring semester Student fees due
	19	Monday	Holiday, Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday
FEBRUARY			
	16	Monday	Holiday, President's Day
APRIL			
	2	Thursday	Final date to submit request for dissertation/thesis defense and final examination to graduate at spring commencement
			Final date to circulate announcement of MS and PhD final examination to graduate faculty
	3/6	Fri/Mon	Easter Holiday
	14	Tuesday	Final date to register for summer term
	16	Thursday	Final date to convene MS or PhD defense to graduate at spring commencement
MAY			
	1	Friday	Final date for submission of approved dissertation/thesis and dissertation/thesis committee report for spring commencement
	8	Friday	Spring semester ends/grades due
	9	Saturday	Commencement (July, December, and May Graduates)
	25	Monday	Memorial Day Holiday

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MAY			
	19	Tuesday	Classes begin
JULY			
	31	Friday	Session 2 term ends

SUMMER TERM, 2026

MAY			
	27	Wednesday	Summer term begins Student fees due
JUNE			
	11	Thursday	Final date to submit request for dissertation/thesis and final examination to graduate for summer 2026 graduation* Final date to circulate announcement of MS and PhD Final Examination to graduate faculty
	19	Friday	Juneteenth Holiday
	25	Thursday	Final date to convene MS and PhD defense to graduate in summer term
JULY			
	3	Friday	Independence Day Holiday
	9	Thursday	Final date for submission of approved dissertation/thesis and committee-examination report for summer 2026 graduation*
	17	Friday	Summer term ends/grades due Registration due for 2026 Fall Semester
	24	Friday	Signed IDP Forms due Graduate School

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Note: IDP Forms/Instructions are available in Moodle/Graduate School