

Academic Calendar 2026-2027

FALL SEMESTER 2026	
Mon., April 6*	Fall 2026 Clinic Preference Forms Due (Class of 2027 FT & PT)
Wed., July 1	Fall Online Registration Period Begins for Class of 2027 FT & PT
Thurs., July 2	Fall Online Registration Period Begins for Classes of 2029 FT & 2030 PT
Wed., July 8	Fall Online Registration Period Begins for Classes of 2028 FT & PT, 2029 PT
Thurs., July 16	Fall Administrative Registration Period Begins for Upper-Level Students With Permission (<i>Applies Only to Upper-Level Students With Special Circumstances and Non-Degree Students</i>)
Mon., Aug. 10 – Fri., Aug. 14	Orientation and Start of Classes for First Year Students
Thurs., Aug. 13 – Fri., Aug. 14	Mandatory Orientation for Fall Clinic Students
Sun., August 16	Fall Online Registration Period Ends
Mon., August 17	Classes Start for All Students Tuition & Fees Due for All Students Fall Administrative Registration Period Ends Add/Drop Period Begins
Tues., Aug. 18 – Fri., Aug. 28	Late Registration Period (<i>Applies Only to Students Not Yet Registered; Fee Charged</i>)
Wed., August 26	Add/Drop Approval Requests Due by 5:00 p.m. (<i>Applies Only to Course Changes That Require Approval by the Associate Dean of Academic Affairs</i>)
Fri., August 28	Add/Drop Period Ends at 5:00 p.m. Fall Registration Ends at 5:00 p.m.
Mon., September 7	University Closed (Labor Day Holiday)
Tues., September 8	Classes Follow a Monday Schedule (Make-up Day)
Thurs., September 17	No Morning Classes (University Opening Convocation)
Mon., October 12	University Closed (Indigenous Peoples' Day Holiday)
Thurs., October 15	Mandatory Graduation Meeting for Class of 2027 FT & PT
Fri., October 16*	Spring 2027 Clinic Preference Forms Due (Class of 2028 FT)
Tues., November 3	Spring Online Registration Period Begins for Class of 2027 FT & PT
Tues., November 10	Spring Online Registration Period Begins for Classes of 2028 FT & PT, 2029 FT & PT, 2030 PT
Wed., November 11	University Closed (Veterans' Day Holiday)
Tues., November 17	Spring Administrative Registration Period Begins (<i>Applies Only to Students With Permission and Non-Degree Students</i>)
Wed., November 25	Last Day of Fall Classes Last Day to Withdraw From a Fall Class With a 'W'
Thurs., Nov. 26 – Fri., Nov. 27	University Closed (Thanksgiving Holiday)
Sat., Nov. 28 – Tues., Dec. 1	Reading Period
Wed., Dec. 2 – Fri., Dec. 11	Final Examination Period
Fri., December 11	Fall Semester Ends
Fri., December 25	University Closed (Christmas Day)
Sat., Dec. 26 – Jan. 1, 2027	University Closed (Winter Break & New Year's Day)

SPRING SEMESTER 2027	
Fri., January 1	University Closed (New Year's Day Holiday)
Mon., January 4	Mandatory Orientation for Spring Clinic Students Spring Online Registration Period Ends
Tues., January 5	Classes Start for All Students Tuition & Fees Due for All Students Spring Administrative Registration Period Ends Add/Drop Period Begins
Wed., Jan. 6 – Fri., Jan. 15	Late Registration Period (<i>Applies Only to Students Not Yet Registered; Fee Charged</i>)
Wed., January 13	Add/Drop Approval Requests Due by 5:00 p.m. (<i>Applies Only to Course Changes That Require Approval by the Associate Dean of Academic Affairs</i>)
Fri., January 15	Add/Drop Period Ends at 5:00 p.m. Spring Registration Ends at 5:00 p.m.
Mon., January 18	University Closed (Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Holiday)
Tues., January 19	Classes Follow a Monday Schedule (Make-up Day)
Mon., February 15	University Closed (Presidents' Day Holiday)
Wed., February 17	Classes Follow a Monday Schedule (Make-up Day)
Thurs., February 18*	No Morning Classes (University Founders' Day)
Sun., March 7 – Sat., March 13	Regular Classes Suspended (Spring Reading Period)
Mon., March 15*	Summer 2027 Clinic Preference Forms Due (Class of 2028 FT)
Mon., April 5*	Fall 2027 Clinic Preference Forms Due (Class of 2028 FT & PT)
Tues., April 6	Summer Online Registration Period Begins
Tues., April 13	Summer Administrative Registration Period Begins (<i>Applies Only to Students With Permission and Non-Degree Students</i>)
Fri., April 16	University Closed (Emancipation Day Holiday)
Thurs., April 22	Classes Follow a Friday Schedule (Make-up Day)
Thurs., April 22	Last Day of Spring Classes Last Day to Withdraw From a Spring Class With a 'W'
Fri., April 23 – Sun., April 25	Reading Period
Mon., April 26 – Wed., May 5	Final Examination Period
Wed., May 5	Spring Semester Ends
Fri., May 7	Law School Convocation
Sat., May 8	University Commencement

* Tentative Date (Subject to Change)

Students should register as soon as possible once their Registration Period begins to provide time to address administrative or financial holds; ensure timely disbursement of financial aid; and avoid waitlists. Once the Online Registration Period ends, students wishing to add or drop courses must submit a *Course Change Form* and students not yet registered must submit an *On-Site & Late Registration Form* to the Registrar's Office. See: law.udc.edu/Forms.

Please see the *Academic Calendar Summer 2027* for additional Academic Year 2026-2027 dates.

Academic Calendar Summer 2027

SUMMER SEMESTER 2027	
Mon., March 15*	Summer 2027 Clinic Preference Forms Due (Class of 2028 FT)
Mon., April 5*	Fall 2027 Clinic Preference Forms Due (Class of 2028 FT & PT)
Tues., April 6	Summer Online Registration Period Begins
Tues., April 13	Summer Administrative Registration Period Begins (<i>Applies Only to Students With Permission and Non-Degree Students</i>)
Mon., May 10	Summer Semester Starts Summer Clinic Classes Begin
Mon., May 10 – Fri., May 14	One-Week Turbo Courses
Sun., May 16	Summer Online Registration Period Ends
Mon., May 17	Summer Classes Begin (Except Clinics and One-Week Turbo Courses) Tuition & Fees Due for All Students Summer Administrative Registration Period Ends Add/Drop Period Begins
Tues., May 18 – Fri., May 21	Late Registration Period (<i>Applies Only to Students Not Yet Registered; Fee Charged</i>)
Fri., May 21	Add/Drop Period Ends at 5:00 p.m. Summer Registration Ends at 5:00 p.m.
Mon., May 31	University Closed (Memorial Day Holiday)
Fri., June 4	Classes Follow a Monday Schedule (Make-up Day)
Fri., June 18	University Closed (Juneteenth Holiday Observed)
Thurs., July 1	Fall Online Registration Period Begins for Class of 2028 FT & PT
Fri., July 2	Fall Online Registration Period Begins for Classes of 2030 FT & 2031 PT
Mon., July 5	University Closed (Independence Day Holiday Observed)
Thurs., July 8	Fall Online Registration Period Begins for Classes of 2029 FT & PT, 2030 PT
Fri., July 9	Classes Follow a Monday Schedule (Make-up Day)
Thurs., July 15	Fall Administrative Registration Period Begins for Upper-Level Students With Permission (<i>Applies Only to Upper-Level Students With Special Circumstances and Non-Degree Students</i>)
Fri., July 23	Summer Classes End (Except Clinics) Last Day to Withdraw from a Summer Class With a 'W'
Sat., July 24 – Tues., July 27	Reading Period
Wed., July 28 – Fri., July 30	Final Examination Period
Fri., July 30	Summer Clinic Classes End Summer Semester Ends

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Each Academic Year runs Fall through Summer. Please refer to the *Academic Calendar 2026-2027* for Fall 2026 and Spring 2027 dates and, once available, the *Academic Calendar 2027-2028* for Fall 2027 and Spring 2028 dates.